

## Update – 1 March 2024 - Gas Network Upgrade, Canterbury Road, Birchington

We are writing to give you further information on our project to upgrade our gas network in the Canterbury Road area of Birchington.

As advised in our last update, we needed to keep Canterbury Road closed until Friday March 8. I'm pleased to be able to say that work is progressing well, and we expect to be able to open Canterbury Road at its junction with The Square and Station Road for that Friday in the afternoon.

To continue to keep everyone safe around our works, the closure will be replaced with two-way traffic lights around our work site as we move along Canterbury Road away from the village centre.

We'll be replacing the old metal pipes with new reliable plastic ones, along Canterbury Road to just past the junction with King Edward Road.

To reduce disruption as much as possible we'll be manually controlling the traffic lights from 7am to 7pm.

Once the road has been reopened, Kent Council will arrange to adjust the large video traffic sign on Thanet Way to advise motorists that traffic lights are in place, to expect delays and seek alternative routes if possible.

We'll be in contact with Stagecoach Bus to let them know when to stop sending buses around the temporary diversion route. The temporary parking restrictions around the bus diversion route will also be removed on Friday 8 March.

We'll continue to work closely with Birchington Parish Council to ensure any issues of concern are being dealt with promptly.

SGN and I&G Contracting would like to thank the Birchington Parish and Community for its continued patience and support while we carry out these essential works.

Have a question, or something you'd like to let us know about? We're here to help. Please visit our website for details on ways to contact us: <a href="https://www.sgn.co.uk/Contact-SGN">https://www.sgn.co.uk/Contact-SGN</a> Or call our customer service team on 0800 912 1700.