

# £220K Investment Improves Local Power Supply

Western Power Distribution

An initiative to improve the reliability of power supplies in and around Endon is nearing completion.

Western Power Distribution (WPD), who looks after the electricity network, has spent £220,000 replacing ten kilometres of overhead line in the region, using new insulated cables to better withstand adverse weather conditions and reduce the likelihood of power cuts. This will benefit over 400 properties in the area.

The company has advised that the final stages of the work will be completed next week, with the final section of overhead line being replaced near the Station Road junction where it meets Leek Road and Clay Lake. The work is to take place on Tuesday and Thursday next week between 8am and 6pm, where four-way traffic lights will be in position.

Andy Pickering, WPD's Distribution Manager for Stoke said: "This is a busy stretch of road and we have been working closely with Leek Council, who asked us to carry out this work during the School holidays to minimise traffic disruption. With this junction being so busy it is likely to cause some inconvenience to commuters while this work is happening. We apologise for any inconvenience, but it will safeguard electricity supplies in the region for years to come."

**Note for newsdesks:**

- Western Power Distribution (WPD) is the distribution network operator for the Midlands, South West England and South Wales, and is responsible for delivering electricity to approximately 7.8 million customers in the UK.
- WPD is not an electricity supply company and does not bill customers in the UK. Its responsibility is to distribute electricity from the point of generation to homes and businesses.

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