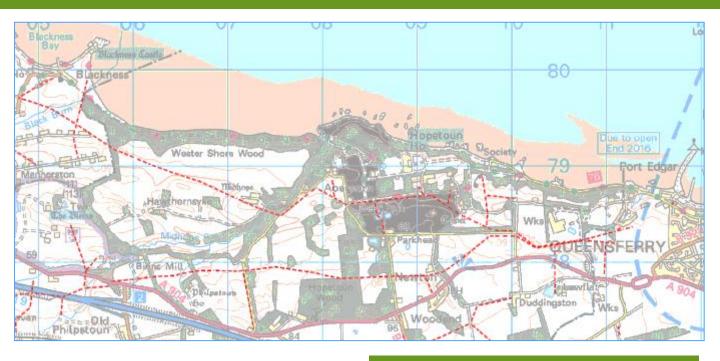


South Queensferry to Newton / Blackness Overhead Line Replacement

February 2018



Advance information on improvements to the electricity network

In line with our commitment to ensure the power supply to your community is both resilient to extreme events and reliable under normal circumstances, SP Energy Networks will be carrying out significant network investment in your local area.

We are investing £1.2M to rebuild the 11,000 volt main overhead line from South Queensferry to Newton, Abercorn and Blackness. We are also investing a further £400,000 to refurbish local spurs from this line.

Our existing apparatus has reached the end of life and requires to be replaced in order to:

- Reduce the number of power cuts experienced;
- Improve storm resilience;
- Maintain current high safety levels;
- Install modern switching technologies;
- Improve environmental impact.

What to expect

Our work will commence in February and will be completed by July 2018.

During the course of the work, it may be necessary to interrupt the electricity supply to some properties. We will notify customers in writing where this is necessary.

For safety reasons, we may require to implement some traffic management where our overhead wires cross the road.

Where we need to access private land, we will contact the landowner in advance to arrange suitable access.

Our activity on site will be restricted to between 9.00am and 5.00pm in order to limit the impact as much as possible.

Keeping you up to date

During the works there will be local representatives on site to answer any questions. You can also contact our project office by phone on 01750 725404.

About us

SP Energy Networks is responsible for the overhead & underground power lines and substations in your area. We're dedicated to delivering a safe and reliable electricity supply 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

That's why we're investing in the network in your area which will mean fewer and shorter interruptions during extreme weather conditions.

Our industry leading approach to storm resilience ensures that our overhead lines are built with specifications matched to the expected weather conditions.

This, complemented by tree cutting to remove trees within falling distance of our lines, will result in dramatic improvements in the network's capability to cope with extreme weather conditions.

Project Information

- The circuit consists of 28km of 11,000 volt overhead line (446 wooden poles).
- Individual customers supplied by 7km of low voltage overhead line (162 wooden poles).
- Tree clearance will be carried out to ETR 132 standard.
- A new switching point will be established at Newton village to allow faster restoration to service after a power cut.
- The route for the new line has been chosen in consultation with local land owners. The objective is to improve access including avoiding obstacles such as motorway crossings, listed buildings, scheduled monuments, etc.



Need a little extra help?

Are you dependent on special medical equipment, chronically sick, disabled, or have some other special needs you would like us to consider? Or do you know someone else who is?

If so, you can register with our Priority Services:

- We'll proactively contact you if we know of a problem in your area.
- We'll keep you informed with regular updates and we can work with external agencies who may be able to assist.
- If you want extra security, we can agree a password with you, which we will use if we need to call on you.

You can register via our website <u>www.spenergynetworks.co.u</u> <u>k</u> or by calling us on 0330 1010 444.

Central & Southern Scotland		POWER CUT?
Power cuts & emergencies	0800 092 9290	CALL 105
Connections	0845 270 0785	
General enquiries	0330 10 10 444	

We appreciate your patience whilst we modernise the local electricity network.