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### **Traffic delays possible on M5 and around Iron Acton Sunday 24 July**

**Local residents need to be aware that on Sunday 24 July National Grid will transport large, new equipment to their substation in South Gloucestershire, which may impact the local road network.**

For National Grid to continue to provide a reliable supply of electricity for homes and businesses, they must upgrade some equipment at the substation near Iron Acton. National Grid will deliver a new transformer from Avonmouth docks on Sunday 24 July to the substation in Iron Acton. The lorry carrying the equipment will leave Avonmouth at 08.00 and the delivery is expected to be complete between 14.30-15.00.

The lorry carrying the new equipment is 55M long by 5M wide and will weigh 235 tonnes. It will travel between 10 and 15 miles per hour and will span across two lanes for the entire journey. The lorry will be followed by a police escort to help manage traffic and to ensure public safety.

Due to the size of the lorry, it must take an indirect route to Iron Acton substation to avoid hazards, such as weak bridges and narrow turning points. The police escort will halt traffic for a short time at certain places, such as when the lorry needs to straddle two road lanes, turn or travel along narrow roads.

The lorry will leave Avonmouth via the M49 before joining the M4 eastbound. The lorry will then travel north on the M5 before turning southwards. The Lorry will exit the M5 at Junction 14 where it then then travels down B-roads towards its final destination.

**There will be some disruption on the road on Sunday. If any residents have any concerns, or are traveling on this day National Grid have a dedicated Community Relations Team which can be contacted on 0800 073 1047 seven days a week, 07.00 – 19.00.”**

Thomas Penn, Project Manager at National Grid said, “I’d like to thank people for their patience in advance of our work. By letting people know in advance, we hope that people will be able to plan their journeys on Sunday 24 July to avoid any disruption.

“National Grid regularly do deliveries like these and we take every precaution to ensure the safety of the public and our colleagues. Our last transformer delivery to Iron Acton substation was successful. We pick Sunday mornings because the roads are quietest at this time.

“If anyone has any questions or concerns, please contact our Community Relations Team on 0800 073 1047. They are available seven days a week 07.00 – 19.00.”

### Additional collateral



