

Upgrading your network between Kirkby and Bootle

We're improving the electricity network across Merseyside to make sure it's ready for the future. As more people use electric cars and greener heating, demand is growing — and your network needs to keep up.

That's why we're investing £40 million to upgrade a key cable between **Kirkby and Bootle**. It's been in place since the 1960s, and this essential upgrade will help keep your electricity reliable, resilient, and future-ready.

What's happening in your area

From **9 August**, we'll be working along the eastbound side of the East Lancashire Road, between our substation near the A5208 and the M57 exit slip road. This part of the work has been agreed with Knowsley Council, and you'll see our teams working there from 9 August to 8 December 2025.

All the work being undertaken, along with the associated traffic management plan, have been agreed with Knowsley Council.

What we're doing

We'll be digging sections of the road to replace the old cables, connecting new ones to various points along your network.

You might see us digging and installing new cable ducts — around 25 to 40 metres a day — so we'll be moving on regularly.

Standard working hours will be 7am – 5pm, up to seven days a week.

Keep in touch

For further information please contact our community relations team:

E: merseysidereinforcement@spenenquiries.co.uk
T: 0800 156 0705 (9am – 5pm, Mon-Fri)

What to expect

- One lane of the eastbound carriageway will be closed for safety
- Clear signs and diversion routes will be in place to keep traffic moving
- You may not always see activity — sometimes we need to wait for materials to set before continuing

How this may affect you

- You'll still have access to homes and businesses
- If we're working outside your property, we might ask you to temporarily move vehicles
- No power cuts are expected during the work — electricity supplies will stay on.

Thank you

We know roadworks can be disruptive and we're doing all we can to keep inconvenience to a minimum while we complete this important work. Thank you for your patience and understanding

We're working 24/7 to
keep your electricity
flowing

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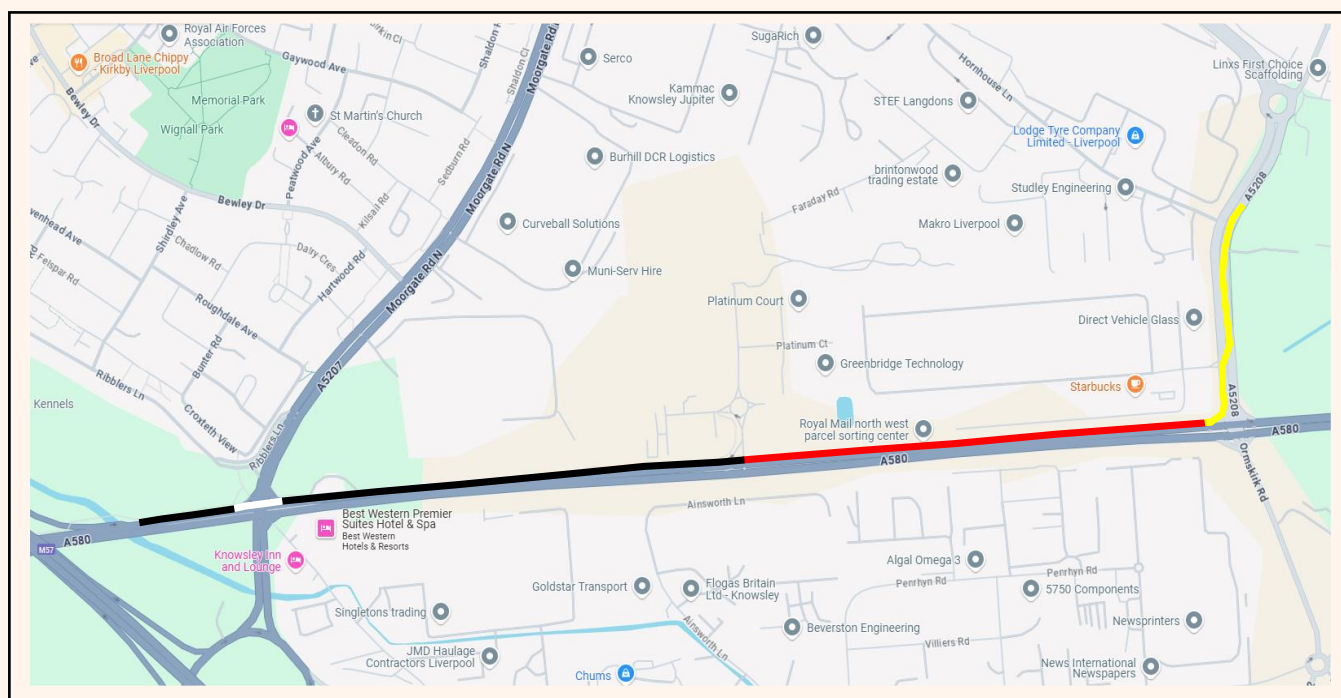
Future-proofing your network



Where we're working

This map shows the section of East Lancashire Road that we're working on. This is where the single-lane closure will be in place.

The colours show each stage of the planned works.



ROAD	START DATE	END DATE
South Boundary onto Coopers Lane	19 August	23 September
Coopers Lane to Alchemy Way	9 August	18 October
Alchemy Way to Junction 5 slip	15 August	18 October
Moorgate Road Junction	13 - 14 September & 20 - 21 September	27 - 28 September

Stay up to date

To see all street works being carried out by SP Energy Networks as well as other companies in the area, real-time updates are available at: <https://one.network/>