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This issue reports on the closure of Streatley High Street because of a gas leak.

### Streatley High Street closed again – possibly until Friday 5 April

A major gas leak, first detected earlier this week, is likely to result in all vehicular through traffic between Goring and Streatley being diverted for about a week. SGN gas company, which is investigating the source of the leak, cannot say when the road may reopen and until they find and fix the leak the road will remain closed.

Traffic from Goring can access the Swan Hotel and Church Lane (for St Mary's Church and the Morrell Room) but traffic from Streatley cannot drive into Church Lane. Pedestrian access is possible in both directions at all times.

Gas was first detected in Cottage No1 (opposite the entrance to the Swan Hotel) on Tuesday and the occupants were evacuated by SGN and accommodated at the hotel, along with the occupants next door as a precautionary measure.

There have been previous road closures due to similar gas leaks but they have been very difficult to locate precisely and the workmen have needed to dig multiple holes in the road, as they are currently doing. A pair of gas pipes (one high and one low pressure, each about 6 inches in diameter) run down the middle of Streatley High Street (Photo 2) and today an optical borescope is being pushed down the pipes in the hope of the camera detecting the source of the leak (as shown in Photo 4).

If the leak is detected and fixed over the Easter period it will still require time for re-tarmacking and 12 hours drying. The road is unlikely to be open before Friday 5 April.



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