

## **Easement Guidance**

## - Important customer advice

Based on the information Northern Gas Networks has been provided with, our quotation assumes that pipes will need to be laid over land owned either by the customer or by a third-party. Before Northern Gas Networks can carry out this work, we will need to obtain permission from the landowner.

Northern Gas Networks will request this permission in the form of a grant of Deed of Easement, which will be negotiated with the landowner. The estimated cost in the quotation for obtaining the easement is currently indicative, and subject to the terms and conditions of the contract. The final cost for obtaining this easement may be higher or lower. We will write to you with the details as soon as possible. You should note that if you do not agree to a higher cost than our original estimate, or if Northern Gas Networks cannot obtain the consent to a Deed of Easement, the contract will have to be terminated.

Northern Gas Networks solicitor will carry out negotiations with the legal representative of the third- party landowner to legally complete the Deed of Easement. Once the Deed of Easement is in an agreed format by both parties it will need to be signed by the landowner and also by Northern Gas Networks. Only when this has been completed will we be in a position to arrange a date for the works to commence. The easement process can on average take between 4-6 weeks but may take considerably longer when dealing with a third-party landowner.



## Next steps

Please fill in the attached form and give us as much detail as you can regarding who owns the third-party land along with their solicitors' details (please note that this could be your own details if no third-party is involved). You should then send this form in with your quotation acceptance form.

Northern Gas Networks will start the easement negotiations as soon as possible after we receive these forms and any associated payments for the works.

If you have any queries in relation to the easement process, please do not hesitate to contact our Connections Team on 0800 040 7766 (option 2).