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Our Customer

Dear Customer

Update on the water pipe replacement work

We wrote previously to update you on plans to replace the main water pipe that serves your community. As you're only too well aware, there've been problems in the past with a number of bursts and leaks on the pipes that serve Waltham-on-the-Wolds and surrounding area. We've been working hard for a while now to identify a solution and work out the best way to replace the ageing pipes.

I'm pleased to be able to tell you that we now have a contractor in place and a programme is being drawn up for the remaining site investigation work and then the actual installation. I'm afraid it's too early to be able to give you a firm date but we're hoping to start the construction phase in Summer 2021.

As mentioned previously, in order to replace the pipe we need to cross the beautiful countryside that surrounds your villages. During our investigations we've come across some discoveries that are fascinating for the area but unfortunately have hampered our progress.

Within the area that we need to work in we've identified:

- Several great crested newt habitats
- Areas of archaeological interest relating to an iron age settlement.

These discoveries mean that we need to do further exploration and work with organisations such as Historical England, Natural England and the local authority in order to find a safe and secure route for the replacement pipe that won't affect these sensitive areas. The complexity of this scheme means that we need to make sure that the solution is the right one for everyone.

We're planning to carry out further site investigation and preparatory work in the new year. Some of these things are environmentally sensitive and have to be done at certain times of the year. Much of this work will be in private land and we'll be liaising with those landowners.

We will of course keep you updated and we really appreciate your patience.

Who do I contact about these works?

If you have any queries about this work please get in touch with me on **07703 718436** during office hours.

Yours faithfully

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