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| 21 November 2018 | Yorkshire WaterPO Box 52BradfordBD3 7YDTel: 0345 124 24 24Web: [www.yorkshirewater.com](http://www.yorkshirewater.com)Our reference: R/1426 |

Dear

**Sewer improvement works in East Cottingwith**

I’m writing to let you know we’ve started a scheme to replace the sewer pipe from East Cottingwith village to Ash Lane at its junction with General Lane. The existing pipe is ageing and in need of replacement. When it bursts there’s a risk of pollution and sewer flooding, so we need to carry out this work to significantly reduce the risk of that happening again in the future.

Our partners, Barhale and Ken Rodney Construction, are completing this work on our behalf and we expect the work to take till the beginning of May 2019 to complete. Our working hours will be 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday. On occasions we may need to work a little later and at the weekend.

No work will be completed over the Christmas and New Year holidays: Saturday 22 December to Wednesday 2 January.

We’ve already built a compound and welfare area near General Lane where our site teams will operate from. We’ll restore all our working areas in the highway and verges once we have completed the scheme.

Prior to the scheme commencing we completed environmental and ecology surveys to minimise our impact on the local environment.

**Schedule of Work and Notice of Road closures**

The work is being completed in four phases.

We’ve liaised closely with the local highways department to try and minimise disruption at every stage of this scheme. Due to the nature of the work, and to ensure the safety of our onsite team and road users, we’ll have to close some roads to vehicular traffic. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

**Phase 1 Langrickgate Lane between Willow Tree Farm and General Lane**

This part of the scheme has commenced already, where we’re working in the grass verge along this length of the highway. We’re installing the pipe using a directional drilling technique to minimise the impact on the environment.

**Phase 2 Langrickgate Lane between Willow Tree Farm and Main Street**

From approximately 3 December 2018 to 3 February 2019 we’ll need to close short sections of Langrickgate Lane between Willow Tree Farm and Main Street. These sections will be closed 24 hours a day and will move as our work progresses.

The road will be open during the Christmas and New Year holiday period: Saturday 22nd December to Wednesday 2 January 2019.

A signed diversion route will be in place along the B1228, Fog Lane, Whitegate Lane, Green Lane and visa versa.

**Phase 3 Church Lane, East Cottingwith**

From 7 January 2019 to 5 May 2019 it will be necessary to close Church Lane from the sewer pumping station, situated by the village hall, to Main Street to vehicular traffic. This closure will be in place 24 hours a day. Please liaise with the site team if you have any access requirements. We’ll try and open the road between 6pm and 7am where possible.

**Phase 4 Ash Lane junction General Lane**

From Monday 21 January 2019 for approximately 3 weeks we’ll need to investigate the location of utility services and the existing sewer pipe in the junction of Ash Lane and General Lane. During this work we’ll need to close Ash Lane at this junction and for safety reasons two-way traffic lights will be in operation at the junction to ensure the safety of road users and our site team.

A signed diversion route will be in place via General Lane to Melbourne village and Kidd Lane

When further work is required, I’ll write to you again.

I’ve enclosed a form and a reply-paid envelope for you to complete should you have any specific requirements or circumstances relating to access that you would like to inform us about.

During this work your water and waste water services won’t be affected, and we won’t need access into your premises. Before letting anyone into your premises, please make sure you ask for identification.

Any refuse collections will continue so please put your bins out as normal. If you need assistance, please speak with the site team.

We'd like to apologise for any inconvenience this work will cause and thank you in advance for your patience. Please be assured we'll do everything we can to keep disruption to a minimum and complete the work as quickly as possible.

**Any questions and customer drop-in event**

We’re holding a customer drop-in event at the village Hall between 4pm and 6.30pm on Wednesday 28 November 2018. You’ll be able to get more information about our work and ask any questions you may have.

Don’t worry if you’re unable to attend just call us on the number below and we’ll answer any questions you may have.

**Household customers**

Please contact our Customer Service Team on 0344 848 1099 (Monday to Thursday 8am to 5.30pm and 8am to 5pm on Friday).

Business customers

This is planned work so please contact your retailer.

Yours sincerely

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