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Dear Mrs Workman,

# Anglian Water strategic water network programme - route planning in your area

I wanted to get in touch to update you on the strategic water network programme we are planning which will benefit your community as part of Anglian Water's investment to ensure resilient water supplies for the long-term environmental and social prosperity of our region.

Our 25-year Water Resources Management Plan for the East of England sets out our plans to create a series of interconnecting pipelines across the region. These pipelines will enable us to reduce the amount of water we take from the environment, as well as strengthen resilience by reducing the number of homes and businesses which rely on a single water source.

## New water pipeline

As part of this programme, we are planning to install a water pipeline from Bexwell to Bury St Edmunds to provide additional resilience in the area. We have previously written to you about this pipeline and wanted to update you on recent progress.

We submitted a planning application accompanied by an Environmental Statement (ES) to the local planning authorities this month. The ES details the findings of our Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), reporting on the potential significant environmental effects of our work and how we plan to avoid, reduce and mitigate them. To view the planning application documents on the local authority portal please click <u>here</u>.



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## What happens next?

We will continue with our ground investigation survey work which will inform our detailed construction approach and, as soon as the planning decision has been made, we will be in touch.

#### How will this affect you and your community?

We appreciate that this planned work may impact some people within your area and are in contact with landowners and farmers about the proposed preferred route.

#### How to get in touch

We'd be very happy to share more detail on our plans with you and we would gladly answer any questions via email, letters, conference, and telephone calls.

You can contact us via our Customer Centre, call us on 03457 145145, quoting Ref 57182448 or email StrategicPipelines@anglianwater.co.uk if you have any questions or comments.

Yours sincerely

Deryl Roberts

**Consenting Manager**