

FOR ISSUE TO SSE NETWORKS & CONTRACTING ENTERPRISE & UTILITIES STAFF

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BLUE ELECTRICITY CABLES LOCATED WITHIN ANOTHER DNO NETWORK IN LOWESTOFT

What happened?

A team of operatives working within another DNO have uncovered what they initially thought to be a standard blue water pipe. The team assumed the supposed water main was therefore in a position close to where they also expected to find electric cables. Upon closer inspection and using suitable cable detection equipment and associated “As Built” drawings, the team however confirmed that the assumed blue water pipe was indeed a 600/1000 volt Electric Cable.



What action is required?

Manager/Supervisors

- Ensure you lead by example and set the standards for your team, confirm their vigilance at all times.
- Challenge your teams on their understanding of cable identification processes and procedures.
- Remind your teams to update drawings in our GIS management system.
- If appropriate, look to remove any cables that are not to current installation standards or approved code of practices.

Everyone

- When on site physically trace out and confirm all cables indicated on plans.
- Confirm all services & cables in the immediate vicinity have been adequately exposed and identified.
- Ensure that the cable to be worked on is positively identified before work starts.
- If something doesn't look right, stop work and contact your Supervisor.

Communication by (✓)	LSG	✓	Notice board	✓	Tool-box talk		Team brief	✓
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