

Initial Incident Notification

Project/Location: Anglian @One/Lincoln
Client: Anglian Water
Incident Date: 25/01/2020

Incident Type: Specified Injury
Incident Classification: RIDDOR
iSMS Reference: 659642

Incident Description
<p>A subcontract team were carrying out mains laying works, involving deep excavations, for a mains diversion project on a private developers site.</p> <p>Temporary works such as trench boxes and sheeting had been used previously but were altered or removed at the time of incident</p> <p>The IP entered a partially, unprotected section of the excavation when the side wall of the excavation collapsed, trapping the worker within material and rubble to waist height.</p> <p>(Approx location of IP position)</p> <p>Emergency Services (Fire Brigade, Police & Ambulance) attended site to effect a rescue and transferred the IP to hospital where specified reportable (RIDDOR) injuries were confirmed.</p>

Incident Type	Incident Owner
RIDDOR	Craig Repton



Open trench with rescue boards

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Immediate Action Taken

- Work Stopped
- Emergency Services Contacted
- Escalations made
- Senior Management Mobilisation Calls
- Operation Management attended site with delegation (Anglian, @One, Conroys & Balfour Beatty)

Immediate Findings

- Operative entered an unprotected deep excavation
- The access/egress arrangements observed (post incident) were unsuitable
- Site was subject to high hazard works (Deep Excavations)
- The work was carried out on a designated area on a private developer site with multiple duty holders and arrangements.

Follow Up Action required

- All Gas & Water contracts to immediately review temporary works arrangements including design and application prioritising excavation and shoring supports
- Ensure that there is proprietary means of access and egress into each excavations. Ladders should be used as a last resort
- All contracts to ensure that any project/task involving principal risk activities such as deep excavations, working near high hazard utilities are supervised by a competent BB manager.

Parties Informed