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	<b>The Ropewalk Allotment Site: Leak Detection Work</b>	<b>CE6/69b</b>

### Update

Following the decision taken at the last scheduled meeting, the very old standpipe has been replaced with a WRAS-approved model and leak detection work has been completed both on the site itself and also between the meter and the boundary. The problem has been identified as a leaking supply pipe on the allotment site quite close to the boundary. The difficulty is that the pipe does not appear to run in a straight line but instead disappears under a mature tree and bushes (we think this might be due to the standpipe having been sited at a different location many years ago). In order to repair the leak whilst minimising environmental impact, we will need to add a new section of pipe from the site to the meter which will involve applying for a Section 50 (street works) licence.

A quotation of £1,700+VAT has been obtained from the company that installed the standpipe and undertook the on-site leak detection work.

### Quotation Details

The repair of the leaking water supply from the public footpath to the allotment at The Ropewalk, off Brooklands Road, Parkgate, CH64 6SW.

The proposed works include obtaining a section 50 permit to excavate in the footpath, completion of a small divert from near to the external stop valve to the point we have determined the water supply to be leak-free on site.

Works to include up to 10m of impact moling, any reinstatement works, cost of permits and removal of spoil.

The above work has been recommended as an alternative to removing the tree/ bushes near to the entrance of the allotment.

### For Discussion and Decision

To consider the update, quotation details and cost and decide on a course of action to repair the leak.

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