

## **Meeting of Sybil and Peter with John Lambert of Anglian Water (AW) at 3.30pm on 1st November 2016**

It was a friendly and very useful meeting.

**Summary:** The main drainage sewer will be laid whatever we choose to do.  
The location of Bradfield's pump is open to negotiation.  
Householders can choose to connect or not.

### **The route will be:**

Sewage is pumped from Bradfield houses by suction to a pumping station (location being discussed)

From Bradfield's pump the pipe goes to a second pump in the Pond Lane area

From there it goes to a pump near Bridge Farm

From there it travels across the fields to a pump near the butchers in Swafield

The cost of connection for each house would be approximately £100 per metre. This distance will be from the end of the current drainage pipe to the boundary of the house. The former is likely to be the point of entry to the septic tank, cess pit or sewage plant. The work would have to be arranged by the householder privately. Connection to the sewer will be paid for by Anglian Water. If a householder decides not to be connected now, there would be an £800 charge for connection at a later date plus other possible charges. Only sewage would be carried away. Surface and rain water, for example from the roof, will be carried away as at present, normally to a watercourse.

Work on the whole Swafield/Bradfield scheme will start in January 2017. It will be a long job so might not start in Bradfield until later. As pipes are laid under the road there will short periods of closure of short sections of road but we are fortunate in having at least two routes to any part of the village.

### **Location of Bradfield's pump**

AW's preferred location was in the field next to the Cricket Club. The next proposal was in the small field on the other side of the lane. The third and current location is behind Oak Tree with a new 4m wide access road running from the lane along the back of Baythorne End and Oak Tree. We stressed that this location was intrusive. We suggested that a site further up the lane to the church, and next to the lane, would be both less obtrusive and cheaper. This will depend on whether this is acceptable to Jane Alston, the landowner. Peter will be contacting her to ask her to discuss this with AW.

Peter suggested that it would be sensible to offer BT the chance to pay to lay a fibre cable in the sewer trench allowing Bradfield to have very high speed internet access. John was candid that such ideas are difficult to achieve with private companies.

Peter Scott  
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