

No	Activity	Hazard	Person(s) in Danger	Control Measures	Residual Risk Rating
15	Working in the vicinity of underground apparatus / services	Underground Apparatus / Services Coming into contact with underground gas, electric, water, telecoms utilities	Employees, other contractors and public	Carry out site specific risk assessment: - Obtain appropriate Telecoms plans for the entire area of work. Remember plans are not always accurate. - Ensure that Private Telecoms Network plans have been requested and checked. - Ensure that Oil Pipeline records have been requested and checked. - Ensure that information on high pressure gas pipelines have been requested and checked. - Check for street furniture e.g. stopcock / scars meter boxes etc. - Check for recently completed installation works that may not be on records. - ONLY a competent person is to use a calibrated CAT and Genny to identify underground services. Mark up all utilities and locate utilities. - Trial hole to establish position of underground services. - When excavating always use safe digging techniques. - Public to be excluded from areas of operation and access controlled to the work area.	Low



- Always wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment Do not use mechanical excavation equipment within 0.5m of Telecoms until the route has been proven. Damages:	
 Report all damaged services. Do not touch damaged electricity cables or look at end of fibre optics. Make both the excavation and the site safe and secure. Where gas is leaking, ensure the site is evacuated and made safe. Additional guidelines can be located within the team pack. Remember: No plans - No dig! 	