



# Safety Alert

## 11kV Service Strike

4 May 2021

The following pages of this safety alert were issued by Highways England's supply chain partner:

### Ringway

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## INTERNAL SAFETY ALERT

Ref 019

### Ringway Worcestershire – Service Strike on 11kV Electric Cable

DATE: 08 April 2021  
TIME: 12:30hrs  
LOCATION: Leamington Road, Broadway  
DIVISION: Worcestershire TMC

A Supply Chain Partner was using a breaker to break out concrete around a manhole chamber for a new drainage connection. In doing so the breaker chisel struck an 11kV electric cable, which was encased in the concrete and was at a shallower depth than expected.

The individual sustained minor burns to his torso, damage to his PPE trousers and the breaker chisel was damaged.

Utility drawings had been obtained, a Cat & Genny survey had been used in conjunction with trial holes, however the 11kV electric cable had not been fully exposed.

This is a stark reminder that the Safe Dig Procedure must be followed at all times and communicated to all Supply Chain Partners involved in excavation.

The internal investigation is currently ongoing, the incident has been notified to the HSE and a Yellow Card has been issued to the contractor.



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