

Water Treatment Work plans to go on show

Plans to install a small ultraviolet (UV) disinfection plant at Greywell Water Treatment Works will be on display at a public exhibition in June.

South East Water is holding the event on Wednesday 5th June, from 3.30pm to 6.30pm, at Greywell Village Hall, The Street, Greywell.

Drawings of the new plant, which will be enclosed in a mobile container, will be presented to give residents an idea of what the site will look like after the work is done.

The new plant is required as, due to the site's close proximity to farm land, there is a very low risk that the chlorine resistant micro-organism *Cryptosporidium* could enter the water supply.

Cryptosporidium is a naturally occurring organism which can, if it enters the water supply system from raw water sources, cause stomach upsets. While this is an extremely rare occurrence, any such risk can be eliminated by a UV disinfection treatment process.

Currently the levels of *Cryptosporidium* at Greywell are measured 24 hours a day and South East Water has never recorded levels of any significance.

The water company would like to reassure the community that the UV disinfection plant is simply another check to eliminate any risk of *Cryptosporidium* entering the water supply, not a result of increased risk.