



# Utility Strike Avoidance Group Charter



Avoiding Injury  
Avoiding Damage  
And  
Fit for the Future



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# Introduction

How the Charter came about

What the Charter does

What we want you to do with it

Benefits

# How the Charter Came About



Utility  
Owners



Industry  
Bodies



Contractors



# What the Charter Does



# What we want you to do with it

- Assess your own systems
- Use the Charter in bids, tenders and supply chain management
- Measure supply chain

Use the charter plan

- Measure your supply chain
- Measure your people

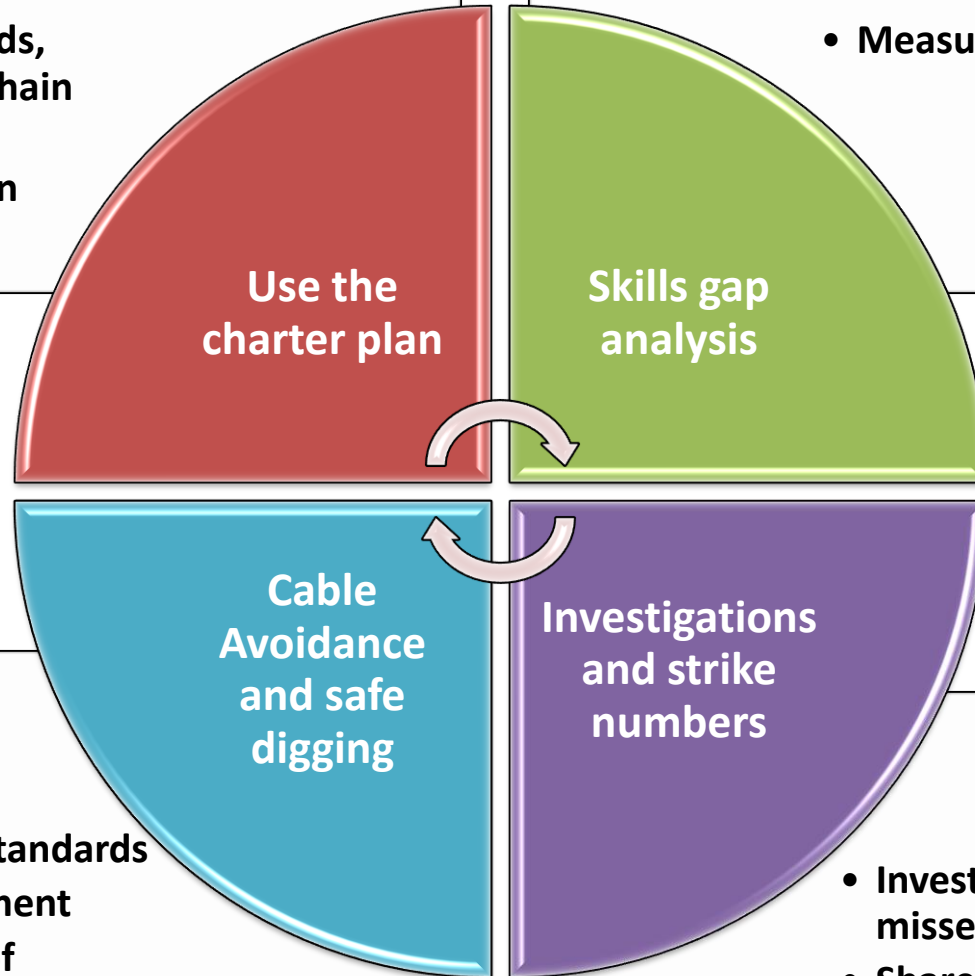
Skills gap analysis

- Commit to training standards
- Competency Assessment
- Competence in use of equipment

Cable Avoidance and safe digging

- Investigate Strikes and near misses
- Share and Learn

Investigations and strike numbers



# Benefits

## People

- Competence
- Behaviours
- Injury
- Engagement

## Systems

- Common systems
- Supply chain reliability
- Resilience

## Behaviours

- Positive safety
- Hazard reduction
- Assessment

## Corporate Responsibility

- Reduced damage
- Reduced disruption
- Enhanced reputation

# Summary



Our Industry  
Now

Our Industry  
Fit For the  
Future