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Water Charging

There has been a petition on the 10 Downing Street website asking for a review of the new water charging regime as it affected many churches and community buildings. While this method of charging had not been introduced by South West Water, it might have been in the future.

The Government have now responded to the petition, and have recognised that the increases are 'disproportionate and insensitive to the needs of water companies' customers'. United Utilities has been the water company where the increases have been most problematic and they have now taken action to reduce the impact of the change in charging regime. DEFRA and OFWAT will continue to monitor the situation.

The full statement can be read at <http://www.number10.gov.uk/Page19160>

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