# Keeping itsimple Introducing your new bill



## Welcome to your new bill

We believe that your bills should be as clear as the water you get from us, so we've given them a fresh new look that makes it easy to find what you need.

#### Visit us Page 1 of 4 United unitedutilities.com 노르 Utilities ping life flow smoothly Call us Ŷ 0345 672 2888 8am-8pm Mon to Fri 8am-4pm Sat Mr Smith 1 Water Street Account number Warrington WA1 1NF $\left( \right)$ 123 456 7890 **Bill date** B 5 February 2017 **Billing period** 1 April 2017 -31 March 2018 Supply address 俞 1 Water Street, Your water and Warrington WA1 1NF wastewater charges Your new balance Your Balance last time (31 Mar 2017) £456.70 ✓ What you've paid since then £456.70 (cr) charges £483.73 £ Your new charges £483.73 $\rightarrow$ Page 2 Your next payment Your You pay your bill every three months Your next payment should reach us by 1 April 2018. payments £120.93 You'll then need to make your quarterly payments. $\rightarrow$ Pages 2-3 For ways to pay, please see pages 2-3. Could you Last year, more than 30,000 customers saved money when they switched to a water meter. If you save with live alone, have a small family or live in a house with a free water a high fixed charge, it's really worth considering. Visit unitedutilities.com/water-calculator to see meter? how much you could save. We fit meters free of charge and you have up to two years to switch back if you don't find you are saving money. Visit unitedutilities.com/meters or talk to us today on 0345 072 6065.

## Getting in touch

The two quickest ways to reach us – go online or call us. Don't forget to give us your account number.

## **Useful information**

Your bill and supply details, all in one easy to find place.

## What's happened since your last bill,

**Your charges** 

including payments you've made.

## Make life easier

All about our free water meters or our new app for Apple and Android phones. Your payments

How much you need to pay and when it's due.

#### Your charges explained

We've simplified the complicated, so you can see exactly how we calculate your charges.

## **Direct Debit**

Switch to Direct Debit and let us do the leg work. Here you'll find out how to sign up in a flash.

### How to pay

Choose a method that matches your lifestyle, including our new app, paying by cash or online. We've also included a barcode for easy payment at the Post Office or a Payzone outlet.

## **1** Your charges



## Your new charges

- Standing charge: This covers essential services such as sending bills and dealing with enquiries.
- Fixed: Based on factors such as the size and location of your home. Full details at unitedutilities.com/rv. If your rainwater doesn't drain to the sewer, you can claim a reduction at unitedutilities.com/surface-water-drainage

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Sign up today at

unitedutilities.com/myaccount

and get £5 off your bill!

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## 2 Your payments

#### Please pay £120.93 by 1 April 2018

You should allow at least five working days for your payment to reach us. If you don't make a payment on time, you'll have to pay your outstanding balance in full.

#### The easiest way to pay is by Direct Debit

Why not pay your bill in smaller chunks by setting up a Direct Debit? You can choose the frequency and date that you'd like your payments to be collected. Once set up, your payments are taken automatically from your bank account meaning it's one less thing to worry about.

Set up a Direct Debit online at **unitedutilities.com/ myaccount** and you can see how much your regular payments will be. Or call us on **0345 672 2888**.

#### Other ways to pay



## Handy definitions

Find out where your money goes and how your tariff affects your charges.

## **Helpful directions**

Sometimes your details will flow onto other pages, but we'll always include a signpost to show you where to go.

## **2** Your payments (continued)

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#### Other ways to pay (continued)

By internet banking or BACS. NatWest Bank PLC. Sort code: 01-09-17 Account number: 58933956

By cheque. Write your account number on the back and send it with the payment slip on page 4 to United Utilities, PO Box 11249, Harlow CM20 9NN.

#### Take this bill or your payment card to any £10 Q Payzone outlet or Post Office branch to pay by cash. Please keep your receipt. 63314030040123456782

#### Payments you've made

✓ 01/07/17 £114. ✓ 01/10/17 £114.	Total since your last bill	£456.70
✓ 01/07/17 £114.	✓ 01/01/18	£114.19
	✓ 01/10/17	£114.19
✓ 01/04/17 £114.	✓ 01/07/17	£114.19
	✓ 01/04/17	£114.19

#### Payments coming up 01/04/18 £120.93 01/07/18 £120.93 01/10/18 £120.93 01/01/19 £120.93 Total for this bill £483.73

## O More information

#### Take advantage of our fantastic freebies

We have some clever devices to help you save water without even trying! And what's more, you can order them free of charge. From shower regulators to toothy timers, our fantastic freebies will help you save water and money too.

Just visit unitedutilities.com/watertight to order.

## £ Struggling to pay?

0345 072 6093 to register.

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If you're having trouble paying your bill, please give us a call on 0800 072 6765.

**Need additional support?** 

We can all benefit from a bit of extra support at some

stage in our lives. This could be due to age, ill health,

disability, mental health problems or language barriers.

Registering for our Priority Services is free and means we

needs. Visit unitedutilities.com/priorityservices or call

can offer additional support tailored around your particular

You'll receive a friendly ear from the team who are specially trained to handle sensitive issues and are dedicated to getting you back on track with our range of support schemes.



#### Do it your way

Sign up for My Account and you can access your account at a time that suits you. Once registered you can pay your bill, set up a Direct Debit and update your personal details. You can also choose to receive your bills electronically rather than through the post.

#### Register today at unitedutilities.com/myaccount

## Your payments

A recap on what you've paid so far and other payments coming up.

## **My Account**

All about our brand new account area and why you should sign up.

## **Top tips**

Tips for reducing water, saving money and getting extra support when you need it.





## **3 More information** (continued)

## Pull all that rainwater

#### to good use

Gardens don't need tap water to be at their blooming best – so why not put all that rainwater to good use by storing it in a water butt and use that instead?

Order one now at unitedutilities.com/watertight

## Ontacting us

Speak to the right team with our handy list of numbers:

Billing enquiries	0345 672 2888
Moving home	0345 026 7661
Struggling to pay	0800 072 6765
Recent bereavements	0345 072 6093
Registering for Priority Services	0345 072 6093
A leak in the street	0800 33 00 33
Water and wastewater problems For emergencies, we're open 24 hours. You can also ring this number to check the	0345 672 3723

You can also ring this number to check the identity of our representatives.

If you'd prefer to send us a message, complete our web form at **unitedutilities.com/contactus** 

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If you need to use our Text Relay service, just dial 18001

followed by any of the phone numbers listed on this bill.

All our information leaflets including our 'Standards of service' and our 'Customer', 'Leakage' and 'Debt Recovery'

Codes of practice are available online at

If you're not happy with our services, please call 0345 075 0711 and we'll try our best to put things right. If you'd like a copy of our complaints procedure please call us or go online at unitedutilities.com/leaflets

If you've followed our complaints procedure but are still unhappy, the Consumer Council for Water offers

free independent advice. Visit ccwater.org.uk or call

unitedutilities.com/leaflets

them on 0300 034 2222.

## Barcodes

Ever wondered what these are for? They're there to make sure your bill gets to the right person every time.

## Important contact details

Information on how to get in touch if we can improve our service in any way.

United Utilities Water Limited. Registered in England and Wales. Registered number 2366678. Registered office: Haweswater House, Lingley Mere Business Park, Lingley Green Avenue, Great Sankoy, Warrington WA5 3LP. VAT number 483 7973 87. Visit **undtedutilities.com/privacy** for details about how we handle your personal details. If you don't have access to the internet, please get in touch and we'll be happy to help.

## What's this for?

We'll include a bank giro slip at the back of your bill if you normally pay in this way.



## How to reach us

Handy numbers to know if you need to talk to us.

# Thanks for reading

Let us know what you think of the new bill at

unitedutilities.com/new-bill