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Wrap up your pipes!

GUERNSEY Water is advising customers to wrap up the pipework in their property in order to prevent leaks and bursts during the cold winter weather.

With temperatures dropping throughout the UK, and snow beginning to fall in some areas, Andrew Redhead, director of water services, gave this advice:

“We always advise customers to use lagging on internal and external pipework and taps in order to prevent any cold-related problems. Even wrapping a towel or rag around a garden tap will go some way to preventing the water freezing and expanding.

Customers should also turn their internal stop-tap off if they are intending to leave their properties for a few days or more – this will prevent any possibility of serious flooding, which can cause problems if the temperature gets too low.”

Guernsey Water also advises customers to leave their central heating on low if they are planning to be away from their property for a short period of time, to prevent problems.