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| Engagement Activity | Key Objective | Methodology | Informed/ Uninformed customers | Undertaken in PR14 | Undertaken in PR19 | Ongoing Study |
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| Domestic Tracker | Assess customer perception of brand, service and value for money | Quantitative: Telephone survey - 300 per month with a representative sample of customers, 3600 per year | Uninformed | | | Y |
| Your Water, YW Online Customer Community | To engage with customers along our Price Review journey allowing uninformed customers to become informed customers as they move through the process with the business | Qualitative: 37 discussion rooms on topics from leakage to website journeys, from Valuing Water to Acceptability Testing Quantitative: 30 polls on a variety of topics, mostly related to discussion room tasks 13 surveys on a variety of subjects from Price Review topics such as Valuing Water to reviewing our Draft Assurance documents *Tally of YourWater research exercises as of 2nd May 2018 | Started as uninformed and now are informed | | Υ | Y |
| Valuing Water | Understand the value customers place on service, priorities for investment, long-term aspirations for YW | Qualitative: 7 extended workshops with domestic customers 9 in-home depths with domestic customers 5 in home depths with vulnerable customers 5 stakeholder depths Quantitative: | Uninformed & Informed customer groups | Y | Υ | |

| | | Online survey with a representative 1500 customers Face to face survey with 50 vulnerable customers (those without the internet) Your Water online survey with community members | | | | |
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| Comparative Performance | Impressions of YW vs. other company's customer deal with; transparency on performance, commitments and aspirations for future performance | Qualitative: 8 extended workshops with domestic customers 4 focus groups with future bill payers 12 in-home depth interviews with vulnerable customers 12 interviews with 'affected' customers (those who experienced service failure) Quantitative: Your Water online survey with community members | Uninformed & Informed customer groups | | Y | |
| Customer Valuation Work package 1 - WTP/Stated Preference | Assessing customers appetite to improve/decrease levels of service for an increase/decrease in bills | Survey Validation: 10 face-to-face interviews 50 online surveys 5 face-to-face interviews with business customer Quantitative: 114 face-to-face interviews with vulnerable customers 906 online surveys with domestic customers 296 face-to-face survey with business customers 246 online surveys with business customers | Uninformed | Υ | Y | |
| Customer Valuation | Assessing most acceptable levels of | Survey Validation: 15 face-to-face interviews | Uninformed | Υ | Υ | |

| Work package 2 – Severity Study | service failure and how much customers are willing to pay to this | 50 online interviews Quantitative: 315 face-to-face surveys 901 online surveys | | V | |
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| Customer Valuation Work Package 3 – Revealed Preference River Water Quality | To develop welfare values of river water quality improvements in the Yorkshire region | Quantitative: • 1805 face-to-face interviews | | Υ | |
| Customer Valuation Work Package 4 – Revealed Preference Business Customer Avertive Behaviour) | To establish the cost incurred for service failure through avertive behaviour | Qualitative: 15 face-to-face in-depth interviews with business customers Quantitative: Representative 1000 business customers telephone survey | Uninformed | Y | |
| Customer Valuation Work Package 5 – Behavioural Experiment | To determine the impact of different treatments on customer willingness to pay for improvements e.g. comparative data | Quantitative:2000 YW customers from the YouGov panel took part in an online survey | Uninformed | Υ | |
| Customer Valuation Work Package 6 – Trust Experiment | Primary research was used to ascertain the value YW customers place on service failures such as interruptions | Primary research included: Literature review regarding the measurement and validation of trust – the most logical approach selected was: measuring the impact of trust on customers payment of bills, company data and customer feedback data was analysed to draw out a value | Uninformed/ Informed | Υ | |
| Outcomes, Performance Commitments & ODI's | Explore a package of Outcomes, Performance Commitments and incentives to ensure | Qualitative: Household: 4 deliberative workshops sessions 3 deliberative focus groups | Uninformed/ Informed | Υ | |

| | customers understand and support them | 1 focus groups with first generation Pakistani customers 8 face-to-face depths with vulnerable customers Susiness Customers: 5 deliberative focus groups 8 face-to-face depths Quantitative: Online survey with Your Water members | | | |
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| Vulnerability & Diverse Needs of Customers | Greater understanding of vulnerable customer groups, their needs, the impact of supply disruption and related support requirements | Qualitative: • 43 face-to-face in-depth interviews with: ○ Ethnic minorities groups - 1st and 2nd generation - Pakistani Muslim, Indian Hindu/Sikh, Polish Christians, African Islam/Christians ○ Elderly ○ Learning Difficultly ○ Physical Disability ○ Mental Disability ○ Critical Illness ○ Transient • 10 focus groups with: ○ 1st generation Pakistani Muslims ○ 1st generation Indian Hindu/Sikh ○ Elderly ○ Low Income • 5 stakeholder face-to-face depth interviews ○ Youth Cancer ○ Citizens Advice | Uninformed | Y | |

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| | | o Disability Action | | | | |
| | | ○ Contact the Elderly | | | | |
| Social Tarif Research | Establish the level of support for YW's social tariff to be extended | Qualitative: 8 Teledepths with customers on WaterSupport and those on the standard tariff 10 follow-up teledepths with a mix of customers with varying attitudes to social tariffs Quantitative Online survey with representative sample of 1000 customers | Uninformed/ informed | Y | Y | |
| Household Retail Service Level Assessment | Investigate the ideal retail service offering to different customer groups from YW, and trade-offs between different levels of service | Qualitative: 8 extended focus groups with domestic customers 12 face-to-face depth interviews with vulnerable customer groups Quantitative: 707 online interviews 113 face-to-face CAPI interviews | Uninformed | | Y | |
| Lifestyles | Identify what is important to YW customers in their lives and where their priorities have a dependency on water | Quantitative: Extensive segmentation analysis undertaken by Experian, allowing us to identify differing customer groups Qualitative: 10 customer reveal workshops 20 ethnographic amplification depths | Uninformed | | Y | |
| Non-Household Retailer Research | To understand Retailer's perceptions of current service provision from the YW business and where | Qualitative:5 teledepths with active retailers in the Yorkshire Region | Informed | N/A | Y | Y |

| | improvements can be made | | | | | |
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| Recreation Visitor Satisfaction | To understand satisfaction with our recreational sites | Quantitative:400 interviews per year at 4 different recreational sites | Uninformed/ Informed | Yes | Υ | Υ |
| Customer Experience Research | To understand customer perception of the customer journey provided by YW for 4 prominent call volume areas – bills, meter request, sewer flooding and water quality. | Qualitative: 8 extended focus groups 16 face-to-face depth interviews with complainants and vulnerable customer groups | Informed | | Y | |
| Participation in Frontiership Initiatives | To determine the most emotive initiatives to customers in order to engender active participation | Qualitative: Stage 1 3 immersive carousel workshop sessions (21 customers per session) 10 vulnerable customer face-to-face depths Stage 2 3 immersive focus groups with customers 8 in depth interviews with community leaders and ambassadors | Uninformed | | Y | Υ |
| Kelda Management Team Customer Closeness Sessions | To allow both directors and customers to engage on topics important to customers and YW, topics covered in depth include: leakage, pollution, Long Term Strategy and | Qualitative: 4 extended workshop sessions with Board members and customers | Uninformed | | Y | Y |

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| | Acceptability of our Business Plan submission | | | | |
| Long Term Strategy/Strategic Direction | To consult customers, colleagues and stakeholders on our Long Term Strategy Consultation Document | Qualitative: Workshop with Customers and Board members Colleague focus groups Stakeholder engagement Quantitative: Social Media campaign directing customers to our website with an online questionnaire Link on the website to online questionnaire | Uninformed/ Informed | Υ | Y |
| Ownership and Nationalisation | To understand Yorkshire Water's customers and stakeholder's views towards the company's ownership structure and potential nationalisation of the sector. | Qualitative: 3 deliberative workshop sessions 8 teledepth interviews with stakeholders (MP's, Councillors and Local Enterprise Partnership) Quantitative: 1000 online surveys with representative sample of customers | Uninformed/ Informed | Y | |
| Cost Adjustment Claims Research & Bill Profile | Identify the level of support customers have for cost adjustment claims proposed by Yorkshire Water and the timeframe they would prefer to pay for these and the bill. | Qualitative: 7 focus groups with customers across the region including future bill payers Quantitative: Online survey with representative 1000 customers | Uninformed | Υ | |

| Acceptability Testing | Gauge the level of overall customer support for the PR19 Business Plan | Qualitative: 4 extended focus groups with domestic customers across the region (78 customers) 4 extended focus groups with business customers across the region (21 NHH customers) 12 x face to face depth interviews with vulnerable customers | Uninformed and Informed | Υ | Υ | |
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| | | Quantitative: 1964 with representative domestic customers including vulnerable (online and CAPI) 36 future customers 365 surveys business customers (online and CATI) 389 members of the Your Water online community completed survey | | | | |

