

From: EIR Compliance

To:

Subject: 20260618 – EIR – Data Supplied

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Reference Number: **EIR**

Dear

I refer to your request for information submitted to Yorkshire Water dated 20 May for information regarding:

“XXX would like to request information under the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2024 in relation to three sites identified as misconnection pollution hotspots at Gledhow Beck and Gledhow Lake in North Leeds.

The locations are:

Brackenwood land drain – Latitude 53.832296 Longitude -1.529034 What 3 words location: Gross.eagles.stress.

Gledhow lake land drain – Latitude 53.825935. Longitude -1.520125 What 3 words location:foods.depend.wiring

Allerton Grange Way / junction with Allerton Grange croft culvert– Latitude 53.83677 Longitude – 1.52806 what 3 words location: invite.vines.assist

Please provide the following information

1.How many field staff hours have been spent identifying and resolving misconnections on Gledhow Beck at each of these three sites during the period January 2024– April 2026.

Please provide a breakdown by individual sites.

2. Outline the methods employed to trace misconnections at the three sites.

Please indicate if these represent all the approaches used by YW to address misconnections across the business.

If not, please provide an explanation as to what additional approaches are available and why they are not being used at these three sites."

Please find attached the data which you have requested.

1. How many field staff hours have been spent identifying and resolving misconnections on Gledhow Beck at each of these three sites during the period January 2024- April 2026

The data protection team have conversed with the business and have established we do not hold any of the requested data. As such for the purposes of paragraph 12(4) a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that (a) it does not hold that information when an applicant's request is received.

2. Outline the methods employed to trace misconnections at the three sites.

The three locations referenced in the request were reported to Yorkshire Water as suspected pollution incidents affecting a watercourse via surface water outfalls. In each case, investigations were undertaken in accordance with our standard operational procedures which include:

- desktop investigations prior to a field visit
- field visit: checking the outfall, CCTV, block dye tests, further CCTV surveys

Due to the frequency and volume of reports in this area, additional investigations were carried out between 2019 and 2026, this increased level

of activity reflects the scale and complexity of the surface water network serving the area.

Where a misconnection has been confirmed, details were recorded and passed to the relevant team, the necessary parties are contacted and advised on the necessary remedial actions.

To support these investigations, Yorkshire Water deployed a range of operational resources, including tanker units, CCTV survey equipment and jetting vehicles.

I trust that the provision of this data satisfies your request. In accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, if you are not satisfied with this reply to your request you can ask for an internal review. A request for an internal review must be submitted within 40 working days by contacting the Data Protection Team.

Thank you for contacting Yorkshire Water.

Yours sincerely,

Data Protection Team

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