

From: EIR Compliance

To:

Subject: 20260505 – EIR – Data Supplied

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Attachments: YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2021 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2022 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2023 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2024 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2025 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2020 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2019 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2018 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2017 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2016 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2015 year.pdf

YW Sludge Return (Table 3ci) 2014 year.pdf

Yorkshire Water Services Limited BAS Certificate 13.12.2026.pdf

Reference Number: **EIR**

Dear

The Yorkshire Water Services Ltd Data Protection Team acknowledged your request on 2 April 2026, for:

*"In one spreadsheet, please provide the following information for all farm sites to which you sent sewage sludge to be **stored** covering the period 1st January 2010 (or as far back as you have data) to 1st March 2026:*

- *The name of the farm*
- *The S3 waste registration number (if applicable)*
- *The address and post code of the farm*
- *The address and post code of the facility from which the sludge was produced and transported*
- *The date the sludge was transported to be stored*
- *How much was sludge transported to be stored (in tonnes)*
- *The type of sludge treatment that was used*

*In a separate spreadsheet, please provide the following information for all farm sites for which you helped **spread** sewage sludge on fields covering the period 1st January 2010 (or as far back as you have data) to 1st March 2026:*

- *The name of the farm*
- *The S3 waste registration number (if applicable)*
- *The address and post code of the farm*
- *The date in which the sludge was spread on the fields*
- *The area over which the sludge was spread (in hectares)"*

Please find attached our response.

The address and postcode of the facility from which sludge is transported

Please see attached our BAS certificate detailing site name, address and treatment type.

S3 Waste Registration:

We can advise you that the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 allow for an exemption from the state EPR Regs, to store sewage sludge at the place at which it is intended to be used under the Sludge (Use in Agriculture) Regulations (an 'S3 exemption'). S3 waste exemptions are recorded in the public domain on a the 'Register of Waste Exemptions', you can access this public register via <https://environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-exemptions>. A contract partner Robinsons undertake the s3 applications on behalf of Yorkshire Water, this contains the information that you seek which has been made available in the public domain.

The date the sludge was transported to be stored

Biosolids is transported for storage from the sites listed on our BAS certificate on a weekly basis. Collections operate seven days a week, with sites rotated according to material availability.

How much was sludge transported to be stored (in tonnes)

We submit this to EA as part of our EPA submission on an annual basis, please see attached information from 2014 to 2025.

In relation to the data for 2026, for the purposes of paragraph 12(4)(d), a public authority may refuse to disclose information to the extent that the request relates to material which is still in the course of completion, to unfinished documents or to incomplete data. We can confirm that the FY26 data is incomplete and is still being collected. Whilst we understand that it would be beneficial to obtain this data year to date, we have also

considered whether it would be in the wider public interest to disclose the information. When weighed against the presumption in favour of disclosure, for the purposes of transparency and accountability, there may be some public interest in providing the data. However, we also have to take into consideration arguments for preventing disclosure. Information in relation to the FY26 data is incomplete and once complete will be completed as part of our EPA submission for 2026.

For the year 2010 to 2013 the data protection team has spoken with the relevant business areas and confirmed that Yorkshire Water does not hold any of the information you have requested for this period. As such, under regulation 12(4)(a) of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, a public authority may refuse to disclose information where it does not hold that information at the time the request is received.

The type of sludge treatment that was used

Please refer to BAS certificate.

The sludge test results

We submit this to EA as part of our EPA submission on an annual basis, please see attached.

Name of the farm and address details

In relation for your request for the name of the farm, the address and the postcode we are writing to inform you that your request for environmental information for this question has been refused in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004. Under Regulation 12(3), this refusal is based on the grounds that the requested information constitutes personal data relating to an individual other than the applicant.

Protecting the privacy and personal data of individuals is a fundamental principle, and as such, the provision of this information would contravene the data protection principles set out in Regulation 13. Regulation 13 stipulates that personal data shall not be disclosed if the release of such information would contravene any of the data protection principles in the UK GDPR or the Data Protection Act 2018.

Taking into consideration the public interest and acknowledging that the presumption is in the favour of disclosure for transparency and accountability. While we strive to provide as much information as possible in response to environmental information requests, we must also balance this with our obligation to protect personal data. Therefore, the specific details that include personal data of a person other than the applicant

We 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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