

From: EIR Compliance

To:

Subject: 20250604- EIR - Data Supplied

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Reference Number: **EIR**

Dear

We refer to your request for information submitted to Yorkshire Water dated 9 May 2025:

"Could you provide a similar breakdown for the locations below? Ideally, we're looking for information on:

- *Designation status (e.g., Excellent, Good)*
- *Storm overflows identified by you as concerns*
- *Recent improvements*
- *Planned improvements for the upcoming year*
- *Relevant links to your website or press releases for further details*

Location: Scarborough, South Bay

- *Designation: Poor*
- *Storm Overflows: [Insert ID/Details]*
- *Recent Improvements: [Insert Details]*
- *Planned Improvements: [Insert Details]*
- *Links: [Insert Link]*

Location: Leeds, Granary Wharf LS1 4BR

- *Designation: Not Designated.*
- *Storm Overflows: [Insert ID/Details]*

- *Recent Improvements: [Insert Details]*
- *Planned Improvements: [Insert Details]*
- *Links: [Insert Link]"*

Please find attached the data which you have requested. Included with this email is the information you requested:

Location: Scarborough, South Bay

- Designation: Poor
- Storm Overflows: Wheatcroft CSO, Aquarium Top CSO, Holbeck Hill CSO
- Recent Improvements: Completion of £2.8m scheme at Wheatcroft completed in September 2024 to reduce spills to 2 per bathing water season. Additional improvements to the site were delivered through replanting of wildflowers in partnership with the local community to improve the site aesthetics and increase biodiversity in the area. Further information in the link attached below.
- Planned Improvements: In AMP8 a large scale capital programme is scheduled for completion by 2030 in Scarborough. Assets to be improved are – Aquarium Top CSO, Corner Café CSO, Toll House CSO, Scalby Mills CSO and Scarborough STW. Planned schemes will reduce CSO discharges to 2 per season and an upgrade to the STW.
- Links: <https://www.yorkshirewater.com/news-media/news-articles/2023/yorkshire-water-to-reduce-storm-overflows-in-scarborough-with-2-8m-investment/>

Location: Leeds, Granary Wharf LS1 4BR

- Designation: Not Designated. The Leeds Granary Wharf is not a formally designated bathing water by DEFRA and therefore are not subject to environment agency testing. As such, we are unable to provide a designation status.
- Storm Overflows: As Leeds Granary Wharf is not a designated bathing water, our team have not analysed potential overflows which could potentially impact the location from a bathing water perspective. Inland

riverine bathing waters have specific drivers for improvement under the Environment Act stipulating improvements which must be made by 2035. This is for any overflows within 5km upstream to discharge no more than 10 times per year or 1 time per season under current guidance. As a business, we are committing to delivering this for designated bathing waters 5 years early (by 2030) but given Leeds Granary Wharf is not a designated bathing water, this driver nor the associated funding, are available for such improvements. Operation of our storm overflows can be accessed via the online portal on our website:

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/45b567b9b39d4ceea64c22c19366d118/page/Page/>

- Recent Improvements: As a business we are committed to delivering the Storm Overflow Discharge Reduction Plan. This is a national programme which aims to reduce the impact that storm overflows have on the environment by reducing the number of discharges that occur. The process for prioritising these can be found in the below link and further information on Yorkshire Waters improvements can be found on our website (linked below). This includes work which has been undertaken at Apperley Bridge, Pudsey Beck, Gildersome and Ravenscliffe which will reduce our impact on the River Aire.

SODRP - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/storm-overflows-discharge-reduction-plan>

Yorkshire Water SODRP Plans -

<https://www.yorkshirewater.com/environment/river-health/storm-overflow-investment/>

- Planned Improvements: Designated bathing waters are subject to specific drivers in the Environment Act for improvements (outlined above). As Leeds Granary Wharf is not a designated bathing water, we have no specific schemes directed at improving water quality there in the next year.
- Links: Further information on our plans for bathing waters and storm overflows in Yorkshire can be found in our Final Determination from OFWAT which outlines our intended investment in bathing water quality. We have designated sites at Ilkley Cromwheel, Knaresborough Lido and Wetherby Wilderness Car Park which will be receiving investment over the next 5 years to improve bathing water quality. They are also subject to Environment Agency testing and management by local authorities which provide further information and insight for customers to enjoy these waters

recreationally. I have attached a link to Swimfo which provides sample data for all of Yorkshire's bathing waters.

YW PR24 Final Determination: <https://www.ofwat.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/Overview-of-Yorkshire-Waters-PR24-final-determination.pdf>

Swimfo: <https://environment.data.gov.uk/bwq/profiles/>

We are actively contributing to the ongoing review of the bathing water legislation in the UK following a national consultation in December 2024. Our response to this consultation and the feedback from DEFRA can be found below.

Consultation: <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/water/bathing-water-reforms-consultation/>

Responses and feedback:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/reforms-to-the-bathing-water-regulations-2013/outcome/summary-of-responses-and-government-response>

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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