From: EIR Compliance

To:

Subject: 20250703 - EIR - Data Supplied

**Date:** 03 July 2025 17:09:00

Reference Number: EIR

Dear

We refer to your request for information submitted to Yorkshire Water dated 24 March:

"I am writing to make a request for the following information below in this email, to which we are entitled under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with the following information on all Section 104 technical approvals granted from the 1st October 2024 – 31st March 2025, including: developer, site name, date technical approval submitted, date technical approval granted, estimated bond value and road and sewer design."

In regards to your request for developer, site name and road and sewer designer we are writing to inform you that your request for environmental information has been partially refused in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004. Regulation 12(5)(e) provides that environmental information does not have to be disclosed where disclosure would adversely affect the confidentiality of commercial or industrial information where such confidentiality is provided by law to protect a legitimate economic interest. The restriction in relation to the disclosure of information obtained by virtue of the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991 ("WIA") is set out in \$206 WIA. The restriction contained in \$206 WIA provides, insofar as is material that "no information with respect of any particular business which (a) has been obtained by virtue of any of the provisions of this Act; and (b) relates to the affairs of any ... particular business, shall ... so long as that business continues to be carried on, be

disclosed without the consent of ... the person for the time being carrying on that business.

Regulation 12(5)(e) enables us to withhold information provided the public interest in withholding it outweighs the public interest in it being disclosed. There is also a presumption in favour of disclosure. We have considered the public interest in withholding and disclosing the information. We recognise that there is a public interest in transparency and accountability and also promoting understanding of environmental issues. Against this we have weighed the public interest in complying with the provisions of the WIA and not unlawfully breaching the same. We have also considered that our customers would expect Yorkshire Water to comply with the provisions of the WIA. We have concluded that on balance the public interest in this information being withheld is greater than in it being disclosed.

In regards to your request for estimate bond value. We have reviewed your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. Following the definition of environmental information given within the regulations, your request for information does not fall within the scope of this legislation. We will consequently not be providing you with the information you have requested.

For your information, the definition of environmental information we have used, given as Regulation 2(1), is reproduced below:

- (a) The state of the elements of the environment, such as air and atmosphere, water, soil, land, landscape and natural sites including wetlands, coastal and marine areas, biological diversity and its components, including genetically modified organisms, and the interaction among these elements;
- (b) Factors, such as substances, energy, noise, radiation or waste, including radioactive waste, emissions, discharges and other releases into the environment, affecting or likely to affect the elements of the environment referred to in (a);
- (c) Measures (including administrative measures), such as policies, legislation, plans, programmes, environmental agreements, and activities affecting or likely to affect the elements and factors referred to in (a) and (b) as well as measures or activities designed to protect those elements;

- (d) Reports on the implementation of environmental legislation;
- (e) Cost-benefit and other economic analyses and assumptions used within the framework of the measures and activities referred to in (c); and
- (f) The state of human health and safety, including the contamination of the food chain, where relevant, conditions of human life, cultural sites and built structures inasmuch as they are or may be affected by the state of the elements of the environment referred to in (a) or, through those elements, by any of the matters referred to in (b) and (c).

Whilst we have determined in reviewing your request we are unable to disclose all the information you requested, please find below the information that we can provide in response to your request. We have provided some additional information that may assist you with your request were we are unable to disclose the information originally requested:

Date Application Received	Date Acceptance Issued	Type of Acceptance Issued	Number of Dwellings
		Conditional	
26/02/2024	03/10/2024	Acceptance	54
		Technical	
31/07/2022	04/10/2024	Acceptance	10
		Conditional	
28/07/2023	08/10/2024	Acceptance	105
		Technical	
03/05/2024	09/10/2024	Acceptance	34
		Technical	
26/02/2024	15/10/2024	Acceptance	54
		Technical	
30/07/2024	17/10/2024	Acceptance	143
		Technical	
25/07/2024	30/10/2024	Acceptance	25

03/10/2022	31/10/2024	Technical Acceptance	22
22/08/2024	01/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	102
07/06/2024	01/11/2024	Conditional Acceptance	7
27/11/2023	07/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	42
20/02/2024	11/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	28
12/04/2024	14/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	136
12/06/2023	14/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	27
15/09/2021	14/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	122
28/05/2022	19/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	90
29/07/2021	20/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	45
19/06/2024	25/11/2024	Technical Acceptance	9
11/01/2022	02/12/2024	Technical Acceptance	30
09/09/2024	03/12/2024	Technical Acceptance	50
22/08/2024	05/12/2024	Technical Acceptance	148
15/10/2021	10/12/2024	Technical Acceptance	173

03/07/2024	13/12/2024	Conditional Acceptance	24
22/10/2024	16/12/2024	Technical Acceptance	34
21/07/2022	21/01/2024	Conditional Acceptance	29
18/09/2024	22/01/2025	Conditional Acceptance	192
03/09/2024	29/01/2025	Conditional Acceptance	5
11/10/2024	29/01/2025	Technical Acceptance	30
07/06/2024	07/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	7
07/01/2022	12/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	99
13/10/2023	24/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	102
11/01/2022	25/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	114
18/12/2020	26/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	52
16/08/2024	27/02/2025	Conditional Acceptance	50
21/07/2021	27/02/2025	Technical Acceptance	3
01/11/2024	04/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	87
19/04/2021	05/03/2025	Conditional Acceptance	30

20/12/2024	05/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	38
17/09/2024	07/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	86
17/09/2024	07/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	172
29/11/2022	17/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	3
31/05/2024	18/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	68
19/03/2020	19/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	93
02/01/2025	24/03/2025	Technical Acceptance	100

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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