

**From:** EIR Compliance

**To:**

**Subject:** 20260617 - EIR - Data Supplied

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**Attachments:** 260129-STA007-015-Rivelin Valley-Arb Impact Report-005 BS merged\_Redacted.pdf

Reference Number: **EIR**

Dear

I refer to your request for information submitted to Yorkshire Water dated 21 May for information regarding:

*"I would like to request a copy of all ecological reports which have been conducted on this site, including PEA, badger and tree repors along with a specific development plan and any habitat management/replacement plans please."*

Please find attached the data which you have requested.

We have carefully considered your request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). We are able to disclose some information within the scope of your request. However, we have withheld three reports in full under Regulation 12(5)(g).

Regulation 12(5)(g) provides that a public authority may refuse to disclose environmental information where disclosure would adversely affect the

protection of the environment to which the information relates. In this case, the withheld reports contain detailed locational and ecological information relating to a legally protected species. Disclosure of this sensitive information would be likely to increase the risk of disturbance, interference or harm to the species and its habitat. In accordance with the EIR, we have applied the required public interest test. We recognise the general public interest in transparency, accountability and understanding environmental matters. However, there is a stronger public interest in safeguarding protected species and preventing environmental harm, particularly where the release of precise location or habitat data could facilitate disturbance or exploitation.

Having balanced these factors, we consider that the public interest in maintaining the exception outweighs the public interest in disclosure. Therefore, the three reports have been withheld under Regulation 12(5)(g).

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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