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From: EIR
Sent: 11 May 2026 13:24
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]
Attachments: Rochford District 2016-2025.xlsx

Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about Rochford, which we received on 17 April 2026. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

You requested:

1. How many discharges have taken place in the Rochford District in the last 10 years
2. Has there been any increase in the capacity of water recycling centres in the Rochford District in the last 10 years
3. Results of water quality surveys in the Rochford District in the last 10 years

EIR Response: Partial Provision & Partial Refusal of Requested Information

Please find attached:

- Rochford District 2016-2025.xlsx

Item 1 is held by Anglian Water and has been provided as an attachment.

Please find attached Rochford District 2016-2025.xlsx. This is an extract from the Environment Agencies NIRS database showing all discharges.

Information on storm overflows can be found on our website [Storm overflows](#) in the Anglian Water Returns section.

Item 2 is held by Anglian Water and has been provided below.

Rochford District Council administrative area is mainly covered by three main water recycling centre (WRC) catchments - these are Rayleigh East, Rayleigh West, and Rochford. There are also smaller WRCs in Rochford District at Foulness Church End and Paglesham East End, which only serve very small populations and have a descriptive permit for the small volumes of wastewater received and treated at these sites - these are known as descriptive works and Anglian Water has a [position statement](#) regarding these assets.

There has been no specific capital investment schemes to specifically increase the capacity in the Rochford catchments, this is due to our current assets not being at capacity.

As a statutory consultee, Anglian Water has engaged with Rochford District Council on the preparation of their emerging Local Plan and helped to inform the supporting evidence for the plan, including the [Infrastructure Delivery Plan](#). For the three main WRCs within the district there is existing dry weather flow capacity available to accommodate growth. For the full quantum of growth identified in the emerging Local Plan, this will be subject to review through ongoing evidence preparation for the Local Plan. It is noted in the recent Local Plan consultation, that it is the Council's intention to prepare a Water Cycle Study, which we support and will provide data to enable an assessment of future growth and whether future investment at our WRCs will be required, within and adjoining the district.

Anglian Water is currently preparing the next iteration of the Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan (DWMP28), which will address the 25-year period 2030-2055, going beyond the local plan period to 2041. Throughout this process we will be engaging with local planning authorities to update and seek views on these plans and the growth scenario best aligned to our region.

The DWMP will inform our investments in the next Business Plan (Price Review 2029 – PR29) for the Asset Management Period 2030-2035 (AMP9). The next DWMP must set out how we will manage and develop our drainage and sewerage systems to meet our obligations under Water Industry Act 1991. This includes understanding how to deal with challenges such as asset health, climate change and population growth. Using this information, we will conduct a risk assessment for three different timescales: the short- (5yr), medium- (15yr) and long-(25yr +) term. The outputs from these will allow us to develop ‘best value’ investment solutions to meet our obligations.

Item 3 is not held by Anglian Water.

Data of water quality surveys of river and coastal waters is held by the Environment Agency. The information can be found on their website [Map Explorer | Water Quality Explorer](#)

Data on water quality of tap water is available from Essex and Suffolk Water. This can be requested as follows:

Environmental information

- Completing our [online form \(opens new window\)](#). Using this form is the quickest and most efficient way for us to process your request
- Emailing EIR@nwl.co.uk
- Calling our customer care team on **0345 733 5566**
- Writing to us at Information Access Team, Legal Department, Northumbria House, Abbey Road, Pity Me, Durham, DH1 5FJ

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Yours sincerely

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