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# Cynllun Busnes Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water Business Plan 2025-30

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#### **COMPANY BACKGROUND**

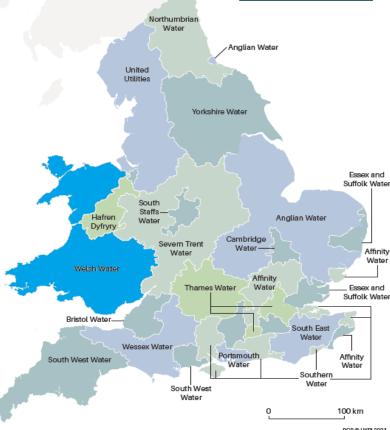


Welsh Water provides water and wastewater services to **1.3 million households** and **110,000 business customers** across Wales, Herefordshire and parts of Deeside.

#### Assets include

- 27,600km of water mains
- **36,600km** of sewers
- 2,300 combined storm overflows
- 834 sewage treatment works
- 63 water treatment works
- **3,500** employees

Only not-for-profit water company in England & Wales. £450 million value generated for customers and environment since 2001.



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#### WELSH WATER 2050



"A world-class, resilient and sustainable water service for future generations. Dod yn wasanaeth dŵr cydnerth a chynaliadwy o'r radd flaenaf er budd cenedlaethau'r dyfodol"

- Addressing the challenges
- Delivering our ambitions
- Maintaining trust and affordability

## **LONG-TERM AMBITIONS**



#### WATER SERVICE

- Top performer on tap water quality compliance
- 57% reduction in leakage by 2050
- 25% reduction in water consumption per head
- Increase drought resilience to meet 1 in 500 year conditions

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

- Net zero carbon by 2040
- · 4-star environmental performance rating
- Eliminate significant harm from CSOs by 2050
- Improve river water quality (SAC rivers first)
- · Top performer on treatment works compliance

#### **CUSTOMERS AND SOCIETY**

- Top performing customer service (C-MeX)
- 50% reduction in sewer flooding by 2050
- Replace 50% customer lead supply pipes by 2050

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

- Minimise bill increases through efficiency improvements
- Maintain sector leading support for customers struggling to pay

### PROPOSED 2025-30 BUSINESS PLAN – HEADLINES



#### STAKEHOLDER PRIORITIES

## **Customer priorities**

- Water supply resilience
- River water quality
- Reducing leakage
- Reducing sewer flooding

# Regulators priorities (in addition)

- Phosphorous removal from rivers
- Tap water discolouration
- Pollution incidents
- Dam resilience
- Net zero



#### £900 million environmental programme

- Tackling CSOs with biggest impact first
- 90% reduction in phosphorous discharged to Special Areas of Conservation rivers by 2030

#### £360 million to improve tap water quality

- Partnerships in catchments uplands
- Treatment works maintenance & upgrades
- Replacing ageing pipe materials and customers' lead pipes

#### £220 million water resilience investment

- £160m towards long-term programme of reservoir dam upgrades
- £60m to connect supply zones



#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE**



"Earning the trust of customers every day"

- Continued support for vulnerable customers
- Supporting behaviour change for lower consumption and bills
- £110m for progressive customer metering strategy
- Education programme



Currently 3rd of 17 on Ofwat's 'Customer Measure of Experience'.

# SAFE AND HIGH QUALITY DRINKING WATER



"We will ensure great quality drinking water over the long-term".

- Drinking water <u>safety</u> our top priority
- Upper quartile on bacteriological performance
- <u>Discolouration</u>, performance currently lagging recovery plan in place
- Managing long-term threats to raw water quality in catchments



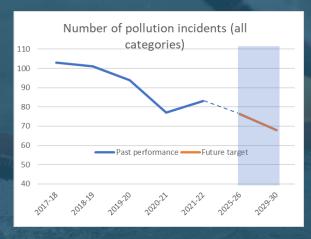
We take a Source to Tap approach to improving water quality

#### PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT



"We will eliminate harm to the environment from CSOs by 2050. Removing 90% of phosphorous discharged to SAC rivers by 2030".

- River water quality focusing on improving ecological status
- Evidence-based, prioritised approach to tackling Combined Storm Overflows
- Increased use of nature-based solutions
- Estimated £43 billion cost of removing all CSOs



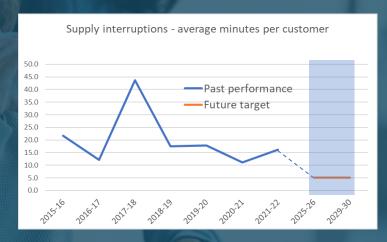
Zero pollution incidents categorised as 'serious' by 2025

### A RELIABLE SHORT- AND LONG-TERM WATER SUPPLY



"We will increase the resilience of our water supply system".

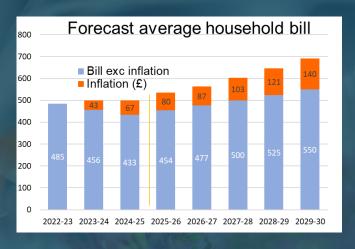
- 25-year Water Resources plan.
- Connecting supply areas to provide greater flexibility and resilience
- Replacing old mains pipes in rural areas
- Dam safety programme climate change mitigation
- Meeting new demand from housing developments and population growth



We will improve resilience to drought to meet 1 in 500 year conditions by 2030



- Bill increase: 5% per year + inflation
- Providing meaningful financial support to support lowest income households



Largest level of support in the industry for customers who struggle to pay

# Summary



- 1. Major step up in investment to meet long-term challenges and improve the environment
- 2. Increase in bills in time of financial difficulty for many, with social tariffs to support those who struggle to pay
- 3. Avoid storing up problems for future generations

# YOUR QUESTIONS



- Environment and wastewater
- Water supplies and tap water quality
- Customer services priorities
- Affordability
- Anything else?



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