

# CROWD: Clean Rivers Of West Dorset

Action points from the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> April in Charmouth.

- **Action:** Ian to again contact Dave Dixon and Caroline Pearce before approaching Dave Rickard (leader of Bridport Town Council). Caroline Pearce has joined CROWD.
- **Action:** Andrew to contact Beaminster ECO Group – **Done** and Rose Rychnovsky has joined CROWD to represent the Upper Brit.)
- **Action:** WW to send CROWD a digital copy of the report presented at the meeting on investment areas, bathing water criteria and statistics, and storm overflow (SO) impact data.
- **Action:** WW to send CROWD details of each of the 5 sites to be improved in the CROWD area in 2025-30 (**Done:** see spreadsheet supplied)
- **Action:** Chris Loder to write to Colin Skellett to insist that these SOs and STWs definitely be included (referencing the fact that they discharge in or close to a bathing water and in or close to protected sites - Lyme Bay MPA and SAC, which make it a high priority.)
- **Action:** CROWD has made strong representations via the Wessex Water website referencing river and coastal water use and the negative impacts of storm discharges.
- **Action:** WW to brief CROWD on rainwater separation issues with new building developments so Chris Loder can follow up.
- **Action:** WW to brief CROWD on on rainwater runoff issues with highways this so Chris Loder can follow up (WW update – nothing will happen on this “for a while”).
- **Action:** WW has sent CROWD a spreadsheet with data on all spills in the CROWD area (2022-2022).
- **Action:** WW is developing a near-real-time spills data map, that will go live by end of 2023. WW will invite CROWD to review the real time reporting system before it goes live. **Reported on schedule by Andy Mears.**
- **Action:** WW offered to supply quarterly data for priority spill sites in the CROWD area. **CROWD** to compile list of priority sites and send to WW.
- On the required increase in storage capacity at Sewage Treatment Works and Pumping Stations to reduce/eliminate spills, WW is reporting to Defra by 24th June 2023 and **Action:** WW to share this data with CROWD in early July. **Reported on schedule by Andy Mears.**
- **Action:** WW to supply CROWD with BRAVA framework information and data.
- **Action:** WW to supply details of the second unauthorised SO in the CROWD area (besides Newlands Bridge in Charmouth).
- An EA consultation on WASCs monitoring water quality above and below all SOs and discharges to lakes, estuaries and coastal waters must also be monitored as they spill. is now open. **Action:** WW has shared the consultation link.
- **Action:** WW will or send further information to CROWD on what individuals/communities can do to help with e.g. water butts / separation at source.
- **Action:** Chris Loder to ask Ofwat to identify blocks to investment in helping homeowners to install soakaways.
- **Action:** CROWD has agreed and submitted a long list of desired actions to Wessex Water.