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Dear requester

Provision of requested information

Thank you for your request for information about the private sewer transfer, which we received on 11 February 2025. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

1. Please can you confirm how much money has been spent on taking over private sewers since the introduction of the government legislation for water companies to take over these waste treatment plants? Please can you confirm the number of treatment plants as well?

Private treatment plants were not included in the transfer in 2011 Sewers were required to be adopted in 2011 and pumping stations were required to be adopted in 2016. One of the requirements of eligibility was that the transferred asset drained into a sewerage undertaker’s public sewerage network, which a water recycling centre would not. The table below shows what was spent on private sewer and private pumping station transfer in £m. Anglian Water stopped recording the spend in 2019.

	Private sewer transfer	Private pumping station transfer
2010-2011	0.436	
2011-2012	6.899	0.048
2012-2013	12.475	0.058
2013-2014	14.743	0.053
2014-2015	14.477	0.057
2015-2016	16.068	0.538
2016-2017	15.824	14.075
2017-2018	11.235	10.734
2018-2019	17.141	6.094

2. Please can you confirm how much money was given to you by the government for taking on this responsibility?

Anglian Water has not received any money from the government for the transfer of private sewers.

3. Please can you confirm has this money been separated from your general other accounts for the sole purpose for taking over treatment plants?

As above, Anglian Water did not receive any funding from the government for the transfer of private sewers.

4. Since taking over the sewage systems, how many new waste treatment plants have been brought into production to help get rural areas off their own treatment pants and septic tanks?

A Water Recycling Centre was delivered under S101A to serve the village of Woodwalton

5. Has the government given any money to help rural areas to become connected to the main sewers and how much has been given in the last ten years?

There has been no funding from the government. Anglian Water under the S101A offer up until AMP8 has been the following: if a resident signed up to connect to the new sewerage system at the time of construction of the main scheme they would get the installation of the lateral free of charge, 12 months free sewerage from the date the sewer went live and we would waive the infrastructure charge.

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Yours sincerely

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