

Partnership Meeting

Agenda

Wye Catchment Nutrient Management Board

Date: **Wednesday 22 October 2025**

Time: **2.00 pm**

Place: **Conference Room 1 - Herefordshire Council, Plough
Lane Offices, Hereford, HR4 0LE**

Notes: For any further information please contact:
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Voting membership

Chairperson	Councillor Elissa Swinglehurst	Herefordshire Council
	Merry Albright	Herefordshire Construction Industry Representative
	Jamie Audsley	Herefordshire Wildlife Trust
	Liz Bickerton	Bannau Brycheiniog National Park Authority
	Louise Bodnar	Voice of the River
	Councillor Jackie Charlton (Vice-Chairperson)	Powys County Council
	Helen Dale	Country Land and Business Association
	Nick Day	The Friends of the Lower Wye
	Simon Evans	The Wye and Usk Foundation
	David Gillam	Save the Wye
	Gordon Green	Wye Salmon Association
	Christine Hugh-Jones	Council for Protection of Rural Wales
	Georgie Hyde	National Farmers Union
	Sarah James	Farm Cymru
	Councillor Catrin Maby	Monmouthshire County Council
	Councillor Andrew McDermid	Forest of Dean District Council
	Andrew McRobb	Council for Protection of Rural England
	Silvia Sivers	Radnorshire Wildlife Trust
	Tom Tibbits	The Friends of the Upper Wye

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		Pages
1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To receive apologies for absence and to note any substitutes.	
2.	NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING To receive the notes of the meeting held on 16 July 2025.	7 - 14
3.	UPDATES FROM LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITIES ON CUMULATIVE IMPACTS Further to a question received at the previous meeting, to note any updates received from local planning authorities on the handling of cumulative impacts from intensive livestock farming developments across the catchment. HOW TO SUBMIT QUESTIONS The deadline for the submission of questions for this meeting is 5.00 pm on Thursday 16 October 2025. Questions must be submitted to nutrientmanagementboard@herefordshire.gov.uk Accepted questions and any responses received will be published in a supplement to the agenda papers.	
4.	QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC To receive any written questions from members of the public.	
5.	UPDATE FROM THE RIVER WYE STATUTORY OFFICERS' GROUP To receive the update report from the Statutory Officers' Group (SOG). <div>[Statutory bodies]</div>	15 - 28
6.	DIFFUSE WATER POLLUTION PLAN (DWPP) To receive an update on the DWPP; the Environment Agency has indicated that it will not be possible to provide a copy of the DWPP for this meeting. <div>[Martin Quine, Environment Agency]</div>	
7.	UPDATE ON THE WELSH EVIDENCE BASE To receive an update on the Welsh evidence base; the draft report has been shared with external peer-reviewers for comments and feedback which are due for submission by 27 October 2025. <div>[Gemma Dando, Herefordshire Council]</div>	
8.	NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN (NMP) DELIVERY To consider the method to produce and deliver the updated NMP. <div>[Chairperson, Councillor Elissa Swinglehurst]</div>	

9. PROJECT TARA

To receive an update on Project TARA (Testing Approaches to Regulation of Agriculture); the Environment Agency has indicated that it is reviewing its findings, with further information likely to be several months away.

[Martin Quine, Environment Agency]

10. LEGACY PHOSPHORUS (P) STUDY

To receive an update on the legacy P study.

[Martin Quine, Environment Agency]

11. WELSH AND UK GOVERNMENT JOINT RESEARCH INITIATIVE

To receive an update on the Welsh and UK Government joint research initiative to tackle water quality issues in the River Wye.

[Garreth Dunstall, Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs]

12. RIVER WYE LAND USE MODELLING PROJECT USING FARMSCOPER

As referenced in the update from the River Wye SOG, to note the publication of the '[River Wye Land Use Modelling Project using Farmscoper - Version 2](#)' by Natural England on 17 July 2025.

[Claire Minett, Natural England]

13. CORRESPONDENCE WITH WATER COMPANIES ABOUT BIOSOLIDS

To note ongoing correspondence with water companies.

[Chairperson, Councillor Elissa Swinglehurst]

14. WIDER UPDATES FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

To receive updates on activities from members of the Wye Catchment Nutrient Management Board.

[Voting board members and other participants]

- Dr Louise Bodnar, Voice of the River, has asked that board members' attention is drawn to the film 'A story of one British River – The River Wye' by documentary filmmaker Mykyta Osadchyi, made available on the 'This is the River Wye' YouTube channel (link below):

<https://youtu.be/i45B-NfPr-4?si=Fog9BgmgoxshxaVw>

15. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Next scheduled meeting: [Wednesday 21 January 2026, 2.00 pm](#)