



Teddington Direct River Abstraction

Notice publicising a Statement of Community Consultation in accordance with Section 47(6) of the Planning Act 2008

The Project

Thames Water Utilities Ltd of Clearwater Court, Vastern Road, Reading, RG1 8DB ('the Applicant') is proposing the Teddington Direct River Abstraction (TDRA) Project ('the Project').

TDRA is a drought resilience project designed to provide additional water capacity for London during drought conditions. It would operate intermittently, supplying up to 75 Ml/d when required. Modelling scenarios indicate the Project would typically only function during low river water flow periods in the River Thames, averaging once every two years, primarily between August and November.

The Project involves:

- Establishing a new abstraction intake on the River Thames approximately 350m upstream of Teddington Weir
- Transferring the river water to the Lee Valley Reservoirs via the existing Thames Lee Tunnel
- Recycling water using a new Tertiary Treatment Plant at Mogden Sewage Treatment Works
- Transferring the recycled water through a 4.2km recycled water conveyance tunnel from Mogden to Teddington with an intermediate access shaft in Ham Playing Fields
- Releasing the recycled water through a new outfall approximately 180m upstream of Teddington Weir.

The Project would deliver enhanced drought resilience benefits from 2033 (for predicted 1-in-200-year drought events). This is required to meet water demand for a projected population of over 10 million people in London by 2050, with growth predicted of over 100,000 people a year. TDRA is a strategically important water resource due to the social, economic and environmental significance of London, the South of England and the UK. It will play a critical role in meeting the water resources needs and resilience of this large geographical region.

The Applicant intends to submit an application for a Development Consent Order (DCO) to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs under Section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ('the Act'). The Project is an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) development as defined in the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. As such, the Applicant has prepared a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR), which will inform consultation and the production of a final Environmental Statement.

Statement of Community Consultation

The Applicant is required to consult the local community on the Project, under Section 47 of the Act. The Applicant has prepared a Statement of Community Consultation (SoCC), which explains how people living in the vicinity of the Project will be consulted. The consultation process is designed to provide information on the Project, through the PEIR and other documents, plans and maps, and give the local communities the opportunity to have their say on the Project.

The Applicant has consulted with the London Borough of Hounslow, the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames and the Greater London Authority in the development of the SoCC and the approach to the consultation process. This notice provides formal notification of the publication of the SoCC, which can be viewed at www.thames-sro.co.uk/TDRA. Printed copies of the SoCC will be available to view free of charge at a number of local libraries from 17 June 2025 as set out in the table included in this notice.

The Consultation Process

Consultation on the Project will take place from **17 June to 26 August 2025**. The Applicant will be hosting a series of in-person and online public information events in June and July 2025. To find out more about these events visit www.thames-sro.co.uk/events.

All consultation materials will be available to view, free of charge, during the consultation period online at www.thames-sro.co.uk/tdra/statcon2025. Members of the community will be able to view printed copies of the consultation documents free of charge at a number of local libraries which are set out below. Printed consultation brochures and feedback forms will also be available to collect free of charge from these locations.

Location	Opening hours
Isleworth Leisure Centre and Library, Twickenham Road, Isleworth, TW7 7EU	Monday and Thursday: 9:30am – 8pm Tuesday and Saturday: 9:30am – 5:30pm Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday, Bank Holidays: Closed
Twickenham Library, Garfield Road, Twickenham, TW1 3JT	Monday: 9:30am – 7pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30am – 6pm Wednesday: 10am – 7pm Saturday: 9:30am – 4pm Sunday: Closed
Ham Library, Ham Street, Richmond, TW10 7HR	Monday, Tuesday and Friday: 9:30am – 6pm Wednesday: 10am – 7pm Saturday: 9:30 – 4pm Thursday and Sunday: Closed
Tudor Drive Library, 192 Tudor Drive, Kingston upon Thames, KT2 5QH	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 10am – 6pm Wednesday and Sunday: Closed Saturday (alternate weeks): 10am – 1pm or 2pm – 5pm
Teddington Library, Waldegrave Road, Teddington, TW11 8NY	Monday: 9:30am – 7pm, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30am – 6pm Wednesday: 10am – 7pm Saturday: 9:30am – 4pm Sunday: 1pm – 5pm Bank Holidays: Closed

From 17 June 2025, the Applicant will post out printed copies of the brochure and feedback form free of charge (one set per household) on request. Printed copies of all the consultation documents can also be requested, although there may be a charge for this, up to a maximum of £200 (including VAT, postage and packing). Visit www.thames-sro.co.uk/tdra/statcon2025 from 17 June 2025 for details.

From 17 June 2025, the Applicant encourages consultees to give written feedback on the Project in one of the following ways:

- Fill in the online feedback form, accessible via the consultation website at www.thames-sro.co.uk/tdra/statcon2025
- Email our dedicated consultation response email address at TDRA@ipsos.com
- Fill in one of our printed feedback forms which will be available from one of our eight public information events, from locations within the community, or by requesting that one is posted to you by the Project team. Completed printed feedback forms may be posted free of charge to **FREEPOST TDRA CONSULTATION**. Pre-printed envelopes with the **FREEPOST** address are available where there are printed feedback forms. No stamp is needed.
- Write to us free of charge at **FREEPOST TDRA CONSULTATION**.

All consultation feedback must be received by 11.59pm on Tuesday 26 August 2025

For further information or assistance on this Project and how you can be involved in the consultation process, please contact the Project team at info.TDRA@thameswater.co.uk or leave us a message on our dedicated project freephone line at **0800 124 4877**.

Please note that representations received and any accompanying personal data, such as the names of persons over 18, may be made public. Those not wishing their personal information to be made public should state so when submitting their representation. Responses and personal data may be provided to the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspectorate or other relevant statutory authorities in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act 2008. To find out about how the Applicant will manage your personal data please refer to our Privacy Notice www.thameswater.co.uk/legal/privacy-notice