YourVoice



Notes from meeting on Thursday 9th August 2018

9.30am, Haweswater Conference Centre, Lingley Mere, Warrington

Attendees:

YourVoice members:

Bernice Law: Independent Chair

Tayo Adebowale: North West Flooding and Coastal

Committee

Andrew White: Consumer Council for Water Robert Light: Consumer Council for Water

Alistair Maltby: The Rivers Trust
Neil Cumberlidge: Report Writer
Alan Smith: Allerdale Borough Council
Dave Thompson: Disability Partnership
Stewart Mounsey: Environment Agency
Richard Jarvis: Public Health England

Apologies:

Keith Ashcroft: Environment Agency

Damian Waters: Confederation of British Industry Steve Cullen: Citizens Advice & Money Advice Allen Creedy: Federation of Small Business Barry Simons: National Farmers Union

United Utilities:

Steve Mogford: Chief Executive Officer Gaynor Kenyon: Corporate Affairs Director James Bullock: Strategy and Regulation Director Louise Beardmore: Customer Services Director Jo Harrison: Asset Management Director Frank Grimshaw: Regulatory Strategy Manager Ben Nadel: Domestic Retail Regulation Manager

Chris Matthews: Secretariat, Customer Research

Sara Weller: Non-executive director

No.	Agenda Item	Action for / Date
Gover	nance	
1	Members and UU colleagues were welcomed and apologies for absence were noted. In particular, apologies were received from the UUPLC Chairman who asked that his thanks and appreciation be passed on to all YourVoice members for their hard work.	
	Actions arising from the meeting on 12 th July	
	 Free meter options – Chair to contact Customer Services Director to discuss further. 	Bernice Law
	Matters arising	
	 Feedback from DWI has yet to be received – YourVoice and the company to contact the DWI. 	Bernice Law Jo Harrison
	 Chair to participate in a CCG Ofwat discussion on the PR19 process, one of three chairs to be involved. Feedback from YV members requested. 	All YV members
Policy	updates	'
2	Leakage ODI	
	On its proposal to make a minor change to the leakage incentive rate, it was suggested the company seeks comment from ICF.	Frank Grimshaw
	 Based on feedback from YV members, the company agreed it would be look again at the proposal and share with YourVoice any proposal that will be tabled to the Board. 	James Bullock

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3	Business Plan presentation	
	The company will make its proposed long term viability statement available to YourVoice.	James Bullock
	The Ofwat proforma that summarises the company's business plan for the Ofwat Board will be shared with YourVoice.	James Bullock
4	Affordability presentation	
	A stronger link could be made between the broader economic contribution the company makes to the North West and the contribution lifting customers out of water poverty will have.	Ben Nadel
	The Chair suggested that examples could be highlighted where engagement has already resulted in changes and how customer feedback has been immediately actioned.	Ben Nadel
5	AOB & Date of next meeting	
	The CEO placed on record his thanks to YourVoice for the contribution it has made to the proposed business plan and that, as a result of constructive challenge, the plan was much improved.	
	DONM – 7 th November 2018	