

Item 11 Development Committee 3 July 2024

Major Calderdale Review of River Calder Sewage Overflows

We have received a notification from Luke Steele, the Calderdale Ecological Emergency Officer that the Calderdale Council's Place Scrutiny Board is launching a major review into the sewage crisis in Calderdale.

He states that Calderdale Council intends to step up to use its powers to hold polluters accountable and by scrutinising the amount of sewage discharges into the River Calder.

This is because the River Calder is bearing the brunt of the sewage pollution crisis with the river being one of the worst in England for sewage spills.

The Calderdale Ecological Emergency Officer has stated that this pollution must stop. He has stated that he is keen to hear from stakeholders on what action they believe needs to be taken.

He has stated that stakeholders can help by:

- Registering their interest in the review: email scrutiny@calderdale.gov.uk
- Sharing media coverage from the Yorkshire Post to raise awareness of the review among your networks.

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