

SCHEME MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE ADOPTION BY SEWERAGE UNDERTAKERS OF SEWERS AND LATERAL DRAINS

1. The Secretary of State makes this scheme under regulation 3(1) of the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011¹.
2. This scheme is for the adoption of private sewers and private lateral drains by every sewerage undertaker whose area is wholly or mainly in England pursuant to this scheme, the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011 and the relevant duty.
3. This scheme relates to the following areas –
 - (a) the area of every sewerage undertaker whose area is wholly or mainly in England; and
 - (b) any part of the area of a sewerage undertaker whose area is wholly or mainly in Wales in which is situated a private lateral drain which communicates with a public sewer which is vested in a sewerage undertaker whose area is wholly or mainly in England.
4. Any declaration which is made pursuant to this scheme in relation to a private sewer or private lateral drain –
 - (a) must specify 1st October 2011 as the date of vesting of that sewer or lateral drain (except any part of that sewer or lateral drain which is a pumping station), and
 - (b) must specify a date no later than 1st October 2016 as the date of vesting of any pumping station which forms part of that sewer or lateral drain,except where it is not possible, in respect of a particular sewer or lateral drain, to make a declaration specifying such a date because a proposal to make a declaration in respect of that sewer or lateral drain is subject to an outstanding appeal under section 105B of the Act.
5. An appeal under section 105B(1)(b) of the Act in relation to the failure of a sewerage undertaker to make a proposal to make a declaration in relation to a private sewer or private lateral drain situated within an area to which this scheme relates must be made within three months of the date of this scheme.
6. Terms used in this scheme have the same meaning as in the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011.
7. This scheme is made on 1st July 2011.



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Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

¹ S.I. 2011/1566.