



**PR14 Outcomes** 

#### - Task Group Progress Update to CCG on 11<sup>th</sup> April

#### Headlines

- Company produced a discussion paper
- Two task group meetings held
- Good debates and progress made
- Company proposed 5 outcomes based on customer engagement findings to date, which the task group "tweaked"
- Joint work on developing potential "measures of success" and identifying our priority measures. We'll run through these.
- Work on "incentives" to follow once views of the Company's Board are known.

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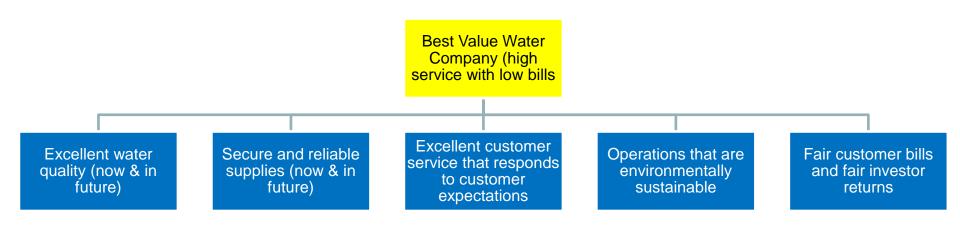
#### **Ofwat guidance**

- Important part of CCG's remit is to comment on the Outcomes proposed.
- Outcomes replace regulatory targets (outputs / scheme monitoring).
- Companies have flexibility to propose outcomes specific to local circumstances.
- Incentives based on:
  - Penalty only (customer bills fall for non-delivery)
  - Reward for company (if over-delivers) or penalty
  - Trade-offs
  - Non-financial





#### **Current Outcomes Proposed**



## Next 5 slides show "measures of success" for each of these five outcomes





#### Excellent water quality (now & in future)

- Boil water notice avoidance
- Discolouration events / customer affected \*\*\*
- Taste and odour\*\*
- Hardness
- Lead (awareness vs lack of action, recognise SST have lots of customers with lead pipes)

- Contact numbers (1.21/1,000)\*\*\*
- Complaint (rather than contact)
- DWI compliance (e.g. MZC)\*\*\*
- WQ Reportable
  Events

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### Secure & reliable supplies (now & in future)

- Hosepipe bans\*\*
- Supply interruptions\*\*\*
- Customers experiencing low pressure
- Water flooding from large burst mains (Streetly)

- Local hotspots customers at risk of network failure (resilience)\*\*\*
- Asset serviceability assessment (bursts etc.)\*\*\*

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## Excellent customer service that responds to customers expectations

- Independent satisfaction surveys\*\*\*
- Complaint levels\*\*\*
- Web self-serve / ebilling offering that customers welcome / use\*\*\*
- Ofwat's new "SIM"

- Value for money survey (perception?)
- Direct debit discount
- Additional business customers offering
- Debt (or last outcome?)



# Operations that are environmentally sustainable

Catchment
 management activity
 (length of river improved / species

(length of river improved / species improved / no. schemes or partnerships)

• Biodiversity

measure (detail tbc)

- EA less keen on pollution incidents
- Create an "overall compliance measure" (inc abstraction & pollution)

- Carbon use / % from renewables
- Water efficiency levels
- Leakage levels
- Metering levels
- Water into supply or PCC
- Speed of leak repair

(customer perception of Company based on this)

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Merge?

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#### Fair customer bills and fair investor returns

- Customers on tariffs / payment plans (helped) to support affordability (e.g. social tariff / Charitable Trust activity)\*\*\*
- Debt levels or no. of customers in debt or efficiency of collections activity\*\*\*
- Relative size of bill\*\*\*

- Measure of pumping cost efficiency (since sensitive impact on bill levels)
- Overall efficiency of operations\*\*\*
- Value for money survey (perception)
- Can we measure acceptance of profit / dividends? (transparency given to issue, decision on who benefits from outperformance)

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### **Summary / Next Steps**

- Progress since February's meeting is significant.
- Incentives now need developing.
- Review results of Willingness to Pay late May.
- Company Board discussions in June.

