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From: EIR
Sent: 28 April 2026 09:55
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about pig farms, which we received on 2 April 2026. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

You requested:

1. Any record of intensive pig farming installations housing more than 750 breeding sows or 2,000 production pigs over 30kg operating within 2km of any Anglian Water owned land, water abstraction points, reservoirs, treatment works or waterways
2. Record of any water quality concerns and monitoring data relating to watercourses near intensive pig farms in the last 5 years
3. Any correspondence between Anglian Water and the Environment Agency, Natural England or any local authority regarding intensive pig farms.

EIR Response: Refusal of Requested Information

Item 1 is not held by Anglian Water.

Anglian Water does not hold records of the locations of intensive pig farms housing more than 750 breeding sows or 2,000 production pigs over 30kg.

This information on the locations of intensive pigs housing more than 750 breeding sows or 2,000 production pigs over 30kg may be held by the Environment Agency.

The duty to make information available to you under EIR Regulation 5(1) does not arise because in accordance with EIR Regulation 3(2) we do not hold the information you have requested.

We have complied with our duty under EIR Regulation 10 by providing you with contact information for the public authority that we believe do hold it, namely the Environment Agency:

Environment Agency

Freedom of Information (FOI) and Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) requests
PO Box 544
Rotherham
S60 1BY
Email enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk
Main switchboard 03708 506 506

EIR Regulation 12(4)(a) also applies – we do not hold the information that you have requested.

Item 2 is not held by Anglian Water.

A search has been conducted and Anglian Water is not aware of any specific water quality incidents or investigations linked to any pig farms in our area over the past five years. This search has been conducted on water quality reports mentioning pigs, and not using the definition of intensive pig farms you have provided.

The duty to make information available to you under EIR Regulation 5(1) does not arise because in accordance with EIR Regulation 3(2) we do not hold the information you have requested.

EIR Regulation 12(4)(a) also applies – we do not hold the information that you have requested.

Item 3 is not held by Anglian Water.

You have requested correspondence about intensive pig farms.

There has been some limited discussions supporting the Environment Agency on a report looking at nitrate risk from outdoor pig units, which is still being written, and a conversation about pigs in Scampton. We are unable to confirm if these fall under the definition of intensive pig farms you have stated.

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General Counsel, Anglian Water Services, Lancaster House, Lancaster Way, Ermine Business Park, Huntingdon PE29 6XU

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

If you have any queries about this email, please contact us via EIR@anglianwater.co.uk.

Yours sincerely

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