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Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about hydraulic fracturing and pressurised acid treatment of water wells, which we received on 11 June 2025. Your request has been considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

You requested:

1. Hydraulic fracturing of water wells between 2005 to date
2. Any pressurised acid treatment of water wells between 2005 to date

EIR Response: Provision of Requested Information

Item 1 is held by Anglian Water and has been provided below.

Anglian Water has not undertaken this activity with relation to its public water supply boreholes

Item 2 is held by Anglian Water and has been provided below.

Acidisation of boreholes is a technique utilised by Anglian Water typically for their maintenance. An example of where this technique might be used would include removing encrustation/natural build of precipitation on borehole casing and screen. It can also be used following the drilling of a new public water supply borehole to remove any debris caused by the drilling process that has stuck to the borehole wall. Following any use of this technique the water in the borehole is removed with the waste being disposed of at a suitable disposal facility.

Since 2005 this treatment has been utilised on the following number of boreholes:

Financial Year	No of existing boreholes undergone acid maintenance treatment	Newly drilled boreholes with acid development.
2005-06	1	6
2006-07	3	8
2007-08	3	4
2008-09	0	3
2009-10	0	3
2010-11	3	2
2011-12	5	7

2012-13	4	5
2013-14	1	6
2014-15	0	2
2015-16	3	0
2016-17	0	1
2017-18	2	0
2018-19	5	0
2019-20	3	2
2020-21	2	0
2021-22	4	0
2022-23	1	1
2023-24	5	1
2024-25	2	1

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Yours sincerely

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