

## A Disappointing Start

After bathing water designation of The Lido, Knaresborough on a lovely sunny day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> turned out to be a fairly typical drizzly, sometimes rainy summers day

The excellent [interactive map](#) produced by Yorkshire Water very recently

Tuesday certainly was not 'exceptional weather', and the river levels in the Nidd haven't risen since the weekend, but the map shows:

- 2 Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs) above the Lido flowing for 30 – 45 minutes each
- 1 CSO just below the Lido flowing for 2 hours, and
- 1 CSO at North Deighton downstream flowing for 5 hours

Upstream, Pateley Bridge CSO flowed for 4 hours

Bearing in mind that the goal of YW's proposed plan is to reduce the number of 'spills' affecting the Lido to 1 per season by 2035, **there's a way to go!**

The Harrogate Becks had 1.5 hours overflow each at Rud beck and Hookstone beck

Some CSOs monitors are not working, including Hambleton road, Harrogate (possibly discharging into Bilton beck, as reported a month ago – but we can't tell).

I do like the YW map, but we must hope that YW is looking at it too, as we are, and that they are maintaining the monitors and acting promptly on the results.

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