

New Consultation

Southern Water are trying to press ahead with plans for effluent recycling via Havant Thicket reservoir.

Both Portsmouth Water & Southern Water customers will get the treated recycled water coming out of their taps. Things to consider:

- We get plenty of rain-water to store, why do we need to treat & recycle sewage effluent for drinking water?
- Southern Water has a very poor track record on pollution incidents. Will you trust them to treat the recycled effluent?
- The water taken from the reservoir will taste different. If you know it contains treated recycled effluent, will you drink the water? If not, what are the impacts for you of buying bottled water and for the environment?
- It will require a large amount of infrastructure to be built, plus lots of chemicals & energy to operate daily, which customers will have to pay for in their bills.
- It will have a very high environmental & carbon impact during construction & operation, the planet will pay the cost.
- The planned daily discharge of recycled effluent into Havant Thicket Reservoir will have adverse impacts on the reservoir wetland and biodiversity.
- The impacts on Langstone Harbour have not been fully assessed.

You have until 20 February to tell them what you think of this plan. Find out more at:

<https://havantmatters.org>

