

**WSX-D11 –
Commentary on
data table changes
– Summary tables**

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1. Introduction

Our original data table commentary for these tables accompanying our business plan submission in October 2023 is available here: [WSX57 - Summary for board presentation tables commentary](#).

Data table changes since that submission are summarised in this commentary.

2. SUM1-3 – Performance commitments, Key business plan metrics, Cashflows and WACC

There is no specific additional commentary on these tables. Appropriate information is included in the commentaries for the originating data tables.

3. SUM4 – Expenditure

The application and distinction of mandatory and discretionary investments remain consistent with when we submitted our business plan in October.

Mandatory investments are where there is a clear statutory obligation, and where regulators require specific details of projects, cost and timings. These include the WINEP, strategic resource options, cyber-security/NIS and IED/EPR bioresources requirements.

Grey areas in mandatory relate to where there is an overall obligation on the company, but the exact mix of activities, cost and timing may be dependent on a range of factors including customer preferences, third parties or market conditions. Examples include, growth/capacity investment, new development, first time sewerage.

Discretionary investments include service/performance activities where there is regulatory oversight, but where customer preferences and factors such as weather conditions can affect the mix of activities, cost and timing and where the company needs to flex and innovate to ensure the best value for customers at lowest cost. This includes leakage, PCC and metering, lead pipe replacement, pollution reduction and sewer flooding as well as carbon and biodiversity initiatives.