

Appendix 1 Enhanced Media Campaign October 2022





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1 COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT APPROACH

South West Water promote water efficiency all year round, normally ramping up customer communications and engagement in Spring and Summer. This year's communications activity started increasing earlier which was in line with the dry start to the year and high demand South West Water were experiencing.

Communications activity follows a traffic light system which is aligned to the triggers outlined within the drought plan. This framework is shown in Table 1 below. Green informs and encourages water-saving behaviour. Amber is enhanced communications activity and messaging which warns people and prompts action. Red requires people to act now. Throughout this framework, messaging and activity is dialled up or down.

The '5 Litres Challenge' has been successfully rolled out for the past 3 years. This is an agile campaign - based on green and amber levels - which adapts to societal attitudes and business demand year on year. The campaign aims to drive customer awareness, engagement, and nudge behaviour.

South West Water's customer research from focus groups has shown:

- Customers have chosen the 5 litres challenge over other water efficiency campaigns
- They have said they are drawn in by the word challenge
- They believe saving 5 litres is achievable: anymore is daunting and off-putting
- South West Water need to show volumes of water, this is shocking to customers and makes them think about how they use water
- There is a need to make messaging localised; it makes it relevant and personalised to customers they care as it directly impacts them
- South West Water need to use a range of channels, achieve a big reach and demonstrate what the company is doing to save water too.



Table 1 - Communication activity by trigger

	Channel / activity	Inform people - Phase one GREEN	Warn people - Phase two (escalation / enhanced) AMBER	Act now - Phase three (crisis) RED
	Media management (Reactive)	BAU	Statements and interviews	ongoing
	Press releases / media engagement (Proactive)	Press release - seasonal tips	ongoing	press conference
	Regular press briefings/updates		Weekly/fornightly weather/demand/ storage update commenced	frequent updates
	SWW Website	Water efficiency messaging / info (regional)	Homepage banner, popup banner sitewide, regular updates on landing page	ongoing
	Social media - unpaid (twitter, facebook, linkedin)	Key messages: top tips/ save5litres/ affordability/ environmental	Change in messaging and increase in internal re- sourcing for customer comms responses	+ dedicated team (internal) liasing managing customer engagement on local groups/ pages etc
	Social media - paid	Boosted posts (regional), geo-targeted (hotspots)	+ increased spend ££	+ increased spend £££
ø	Email to MyAccount customers	Email to all customers	Email with escalated messaging to all customers. Targted hotspots/locations with key messaging	Act now + location of AWS, localised info (by postcode)
tomer	Text to customers		Text to hotspot areas	Ongoing (locations of AWS)
domestic customers	Letter/leaflet drop to customers		Proactive leafleting to households and businesses	Hosepipe ban info
domes	Community/street activity		'Community officersr' sent to areas most at risk / affected	+ increased resource + bottle drop-offs
	Outless stantisiss	Protocol advantation	Leaflets/ posters/ free water-saving products etc	
	Outdoor advertising	Regional advertising	Targted hotspots	+increased spend ££
	Digital marketing (unpaid)		Messaging pack sent to all partners to promote on their channels	+ additional partner sites
	Digital marketing (paid)	Advertorial - general tips	Medium weight ad campaign - e.g Global, Reach Plc (Cornwall Live, Devon Live)	+ increased spend £££
	Newspaper advertising		Half page adverts in local papers - messaging based on hotspot areas	Full page adverts in all papers
	Radio advertising		Save 5 litres	+ increased spend/ playtime £££
	TV advertising			Act now - how you can help
	MPs		Individual MP briefing	Ongoing briefing at regular intervals
stakeholders	Local authorities		Regular updates to local authorities + cross promotion of messaging	+ dedicated liaison per organisation
stakeh	Liaison with partner organisations		Regular updates + cross promotion of messaging	+ ongoing
	business customers		Individual visits	as appropriate



Table 2 provides a summary view of the specific efforts and the scale and escalation of our Water Savings Communications plan from May 2022 to October 2022.

Table 2 – Summary of Water Savings Communications

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Home Page Carousel Promomotion	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Water Efficiency Advice Pages	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	 ✓
Save 5I Campaign Page	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Water saving BLOGS and Promotion	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓
Bill Statement Flash	v	✓ ✓	v	✓ ✓	v	 ✓
Customer Emails/Letters/SMS	✓	•		v		v
Advertorials - Regional Press	v	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Outdoor Advertising - Bus Backs & Sides		✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	~
Outdoor Advertising - Billboards & Bus Stops		✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	✓	
Radio Advertising						
Digital Audio Advertising		✓	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	✓ ✓	 ✓
Social Media Paid Adverts		✓	✓	 ✓ 	 ✓ 	 ✓
Social Media OWN POSTS - FB, LI, TW, INS, TTOK	✓	✓	✓	~	✓	✓
Education Program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Free Water Saving Product Promotion	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Community Engagement - Events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
TOURIST CAMPAIGN						
Advertising - Outdoor				✓	✓	
Advertising - Forecourts				✓	✓	
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Advertising Press - Regional				✓		
Additional Service offering and promotion of:						
- Water Butt Promotion				✓		
- Leaky Loo promotion		✓	✓	✓	✓	~
- Supply Pipe Initiative		✓	✓	✓	✓	~
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- Free Find and Fix promotion		✓	✓	✓	✓	•
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2 EVIDENCE OF LEVEL 1 DROUGHT PLAN: ENHANCED COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

2.1 Initial ramp up

South West Water started to ramp up its communications and engagement activity to support the Drought Plan in May. The acitivity focused on the weather and increase in demand that South West Water was experienceing. Efforts during this period was; promoting the 5 litres challenge through a range of channels and activity. Our key messages were to raise awareness about the 5 litres challenge and raise awarness of high demand at the time and the volumes of water used in everyday activites which prompted the need for customer action to save water.

May 2022	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome
	Customers	Website	South West Water updated its website, bringing the water efficiency campaign to the fore through a new homepage banner.	Homepage had 169,446 views.
	Customers	Website	Updates made to save water webpages.	Overall page visits for these pages in this period was 3,426
14 May	Customers	Email	South West Water <u>emailed</u> all of its online customers to raise awareness to the dry start to the	395,945 emails were sent, 52%

Table 3 - Communication and engagement activity in May

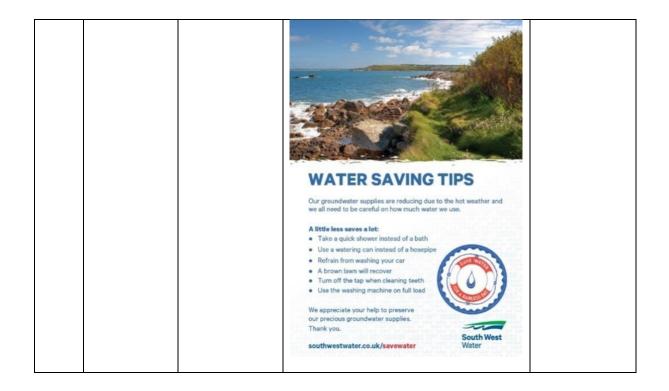


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23 May	Customers	Website	Published one blog in this period.Welcome to 2022's Water Saving Week	90 page visits
23 May		Advertorial	South West Water focused promotion in Cornwall with an advertorial on Cornwall Live to promote the start of the enhanced activity for the <u>5 litres challenge campaign</u> .	
30 May	Customers	Outdoor advertising	At the end of May South West Water started an outdoor advertising campaign.	168 buses advertsing the 5 litres challenge across the South West.
	Customers	Social media	South West Water started to ramp up its social media activity for water efficiency. • Launching this year's 5 litres challenge	95,000 people were reached of which 7.4% engaged. This is much



		<text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><list-item></list-item></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text>	higher than the median average which is >1% for social media engagement.
Future customers	Education	Encouraging pester power, South West Water educational programme teaches children about the value for water and the importance of water efficiency.	schools in
Customers	Free products	South West Water promoted free water-saving products in its communications throughout May.	Free water- saving products ordered was 842
IoS Customers & Tourists	Community engagement	 90 water butts provided to residents Community events in early May (2 of South West Water's customer service team stayed on the Isles for ten 10 days) Additional posters/flyers 	





- Overall reach through various engagement in this period was c500,000
- 90 water butts given away on IoS has an expected saving of 108,000 litres a year
- Free water-saving products ordered in May was 842
- Free products dispatched in May totalled an assumed saving of 21,204.00 litres per day.

2.2 Water-saving values - June

In June, South West Water started to increase is communications and activity to further engagement and raise awareness of the need for water efficiency in line with Level 1 of the drought plan.

June	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome
	Customers	Website	South West Water promoted the 5 litres challenge on its homepage.	Homepage had 139,114 views.
	Customers	Website	South West Water regularly updated its 5 litres challenge webpage with key messages about increases in demand and weather.	. 0

Table 4 - Communication and engagement activity in June



Customers	Website	Published four blogs in this period which we're used to promoted on social media. 1.06.22 – Soaking it all up 17.06.22 – Myth-busting blog 24.06.22 – Meeting demand	had 11,863 views. Save 5 litres page had 2,410 views. 5 litres pledges online totaled 420 at the end of June. 53 webpage visits.
		28.06.22 – Water-saving hero.	
Customers	Outdoor advertising	From June South West Water ran an extensive outdoor advertising campaign across the region.	The campaign has an expected reach of 1.6 million.
Customers	Social media Facebook	South West Water increased its social media activity for water efficiency with regular posts and paid for advertising. Key messages: • 5 litres challenge	175,735 people were reached of which 8.3% engaged. This is much higher than the median average which is >1% for social



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Customers	Social media Instagram	The company started to use Instagram to reach more people with top tips to save water.	22,024 people reached.
Future customers	Education	Encouraging pester power, South West Water educational programme teaches children about the value for water and the importance of water efficiency.	Visited 6 schools in June and taught 583 pupils.
Customers	Free products	South West Water promoted free water-saving products in its communications throughout May.	Free water- saving products ordered was 4515 – a 229% increase compared to the previous year.

- Overall reach through various engagement in this period was c2 million
- 430 5 litre pledges online totals 766,500 litres saved a year
- Free water-saving products ordered in June was 4,515
- Free products dispatched in June totalled an assumed saving of 120,822.00 litres per day.

2.3 Water-saving values - July

South West Water further increased its communications and activity throughout July to promote and encourage water efficiency in line with Level 1 of the drought plan. The company started to target communications within Cornwall and launched initiatives to help customers save water in their home.

Table 5 - Communication and engagement activity in July

July	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome



Customers	Website	South West Water promoted the 5 litres challenge on its homepage.	 Homepage had 155,235 views. Page visits for the save water section in July totalled 13,604. 5 litres pledges online totaled 443 at the end of July.
Customers	Leaky loo intiative	Launched online webpage to promote free leakyloo fixes for Cornwall customers	Leaky loo webpage forms submitted was 121. 27 visits scheduled. 6 fixes completed. Estimated 1200 litres saved.
Customers	Supply pipe intiative	Launched online webpage to promote free supply pipe fixes for customers in Cornwall.	Supply pipe webpage forms submitted was 23.
Customers	Website	 Published three blogs in this period to promote on social media: 18.07.22 - Our leak detector (Matt Gait's blog) 22.07. 5 - ways to have fun and keep cool whilst wasting less water 29.07.22 - Top tips to help save water in your garden. 	27 webpage visits.
Customers	Email	South West Water contacted all customers in Cornwall to raise awarness of exteme	139,810 emails were sent, 55% opened

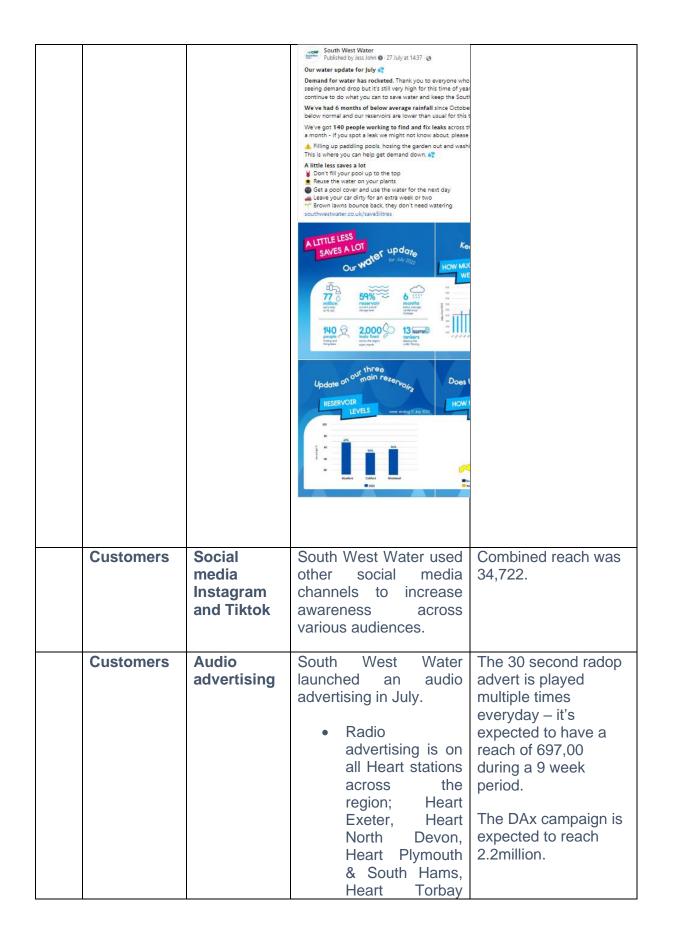


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		weather conditions and high demand. Using this channel to promote targeted intiatives.	and 12% clicked through.
Custome	rs Email	South West Water contacted all customers in Devon, IoS and Dorset to raise awarness of exteme weather conditions and high demand.	267,639 emails were sent, 57% opened and 13% clicked through.
Custome	rs Outdoor advertising	Continued its extensive outdoor advertising campaign.	The campaign has an expected reach of 1.6 million.
Custome	rs Outdoor advertising	From July to September there was a targeted Cornwall specific campaign with increased messaging that prompted action.	The company expecetd to reach 722k people through this activity.



Customer	s Social media	South West Water increased its social	reached of which
	Facebook	media activity for water efficiency with regular posts and paid for advertising. Key messages:	much higher than the
		 5 litres challenge Leakage – what South West Water does to tackle leakage and encourage customers report leaks Included a customer friendly water situation report 	







		 and Heart Dorset. The company have also done a targted DAx campaign – DAx is a digital audio campaign which is played on sites such as spotify, podcasts etc. 	
Future custome	Education	Encouraging pester power, South West Water educational programme teaches children about the value for water and the importance of water efficiency.	Visited 3 schools in July and taught 151 pupils.
Commun	hity Community events	South West Water targeted key areas in Cornwall with water efficiency events – handing out free products and talking to customers about the important of water conservation.	Spoke to 642 people. 123 took the 5 litres pledge. 1181 water saving products given away.
Custome	ers Free products	South West Water promoted free water- saving products in its communications throughout the month and removed its	Free water-saving products ordered was 3884 – a 268% increase compared to the previous year.



		financial cap on products.	
Customers	Home audits	 Increase number of home audits (3500 in Yr3) 	Sent 4916 lettters
		 Free leaky loo fix as part of audit offering 	945 home audits carried out
		 Targeting within Colliford zone only 	Assumed saving was 35.22 litres a day per household
		 Offer to <u>all</u> HHs within Colliford zone (previously just high consumption customers). 	
Customers	Home audits	 Focus on affordability – partnering with Coastline housing association to offer water audits to their 2301 tenants (From 1st Aug) within the Truro area only. 	Sent 427 lettters.
NHH	Find and Fix intitaive	 Payment to Retailer for 50% of leak find & fix costs up to £500 (T&Cs apply) Comms to Retailers – initial email 20/07 & followed up 29/07 with revised (final T&Cs) 	Wave received our approval for the attached South West Water Leak campaign flyer. Wave have 844 SPIDs.





- Overall reach through various engagement in this period was c5 million
- 443 total 5 litre pledges online totals 808,475 litres saved a year
- 123 pledged via community events totals 224,475 litres a year
- 1,181 water-saving products given away at community events
- Free water-saving products ordered in July was 3,884
- Free products dispatched in July totalled an assumed saving of 139,032.00 litres per day
- Home audits carried out was 945 with an assumed saving of 12,856 litres per household, per year
- Leaky loo webpage forms submitted was 121. 27 visits scheduled, 6 fixes completed, estimated 1200 litres saved per day for the 6 households.



3 EVIDENCE OF LEVEL 1 DROUGHT PLAN MOVING INTO LEVEL 2: ENHANCED COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

3.1 Water-saving values - August

As South West Water moved into level 2, the main communication message to customers throughout this period was that action must be taken now to conserve water due to the severe dry weather. The temporary use ban for Colliford and part of Roadford came into effect on 23 August 2022 and in line with South West Water's Drought Plan, letters and emails were sent to all affected customers (household and non-household).

Aug	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome
	Customers	Website	South West Water promoted the 5 litres challenge on its homepage.	Homepage had 165,408 views. Page visits for the save water section in August totalled 128,121. 5 litres pledges online totaled 454.
	Customers	Website	South West Water offered free water butts via its website.	Page visits was 77,873 16,000 water butts were ordered for free

Table 6 - Communication and engagement activity in August



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	Customers	Email	South West Water contacted all customers affected by the TUB.	140,870 emails were sent, 67% opened and 16% clicked through.
	Customers	Text	South West Water contacted all customers affected by the TUB.	
	Customers	Letter	South West Water contacted all customers affected by the TUB.	
	Customers	TUB announcement - website	Website home page banner updated. Website page created section with all information.	
	Customers	Tub announcement newspapers	Placed in London Gazette, Western Morning News and Daily Telegraph.	
	Customers	Newspapers	Full page adverts placed in all regional newspapers with enhance messaging to save water now for one week.	
	Customers	Outdoor advertising	From July to September there was a targeted Cornwall specific campaign with increased messaging that prompted action.	The company expected to reach 722k people through this activity.
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Tour	door ertising	From August to October South West Water launched their first tourist campaign for water efficiency. The company purchased all available spaces at Cornwall Services; the main services for people entering Cornwall. South West Water also ran this campaign at key tourist hotspots; hotels, visitor attractions such as Dairyland, Truro park and ride, local bus network in Truro and Falmouth and digital screen adverts across the county.	10,000 cars per day to Cornwall Services. Overall reach is expected to be 1 million for the whole campaign.
Cust	ial media ebook	South West Water changed its messaging from the 5 litres challenge to a punchier campaign which	117,872 people were reached of which 13% engaged. This is much higher than
		 bumpaight which prompted action now. Key messages: Leakage – what South West Water does to tackle leakage and encourage customers report leaks 	the median average which is >1% for social media engagement.



		 Water situation report updates Top tips to save water now. 	
Customers	Audio advertising	Continued audio campaign.	The 30 second radop advert is played multiple times everyday – it's expected to have a reach of 697,00 during a 9 week period The DAx campaign is expected to reach 2.2million.
Community	Community events	 water efficiency events handing out free products and talking to customers about the important of water conservation. 45 events were planned where free water saving devices wil available to incentivise customers to pledge to save water and talk about what a Temporary Use Ban means. The company also started door knocking in hotspots in water stressed area.	



Customers	Free products	South West Water promoted free water- saving products in its communications throughout the month and removed its financial cap on products.	Free water-saving products ordered was 22,019 – a 2748% increase compared to the previous year.
Customers	Water butt initiative	South West Water have offered 16,000 free water butts, and these have been ordered by customers via the South West Water website.	19.2 million estimated total water saving value a year.
Customers	Home audits	 Increase number of home audits (3500 in Yr3) 	Sent 9890 lettters.
		 Free leaky loo fix as part of audit offering 	1645 home audits carried out.
		 Targeting within Colliford zone only Offer to <u>all</u> HHs within Colliford zone (previously just high consumption customers). 	Assumed saving was 39.03 litres a day per household.
Customers	Home audits Affordability	 Focus on affordability – partnering with Coastline housing association to offer water audits to their 2301 tenants (From 1st 	Sent 1881 lettters. 268 home audits carried out. Assumed saving was 30.65 litres a





	Aug) within the Truro area only	
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- Overall reach through various engagement in this period was c7 million
- 454 total 5 litre pledges online totals 828,550 litres saved a year
- C400 pledged via community events totals 730,000 litres a year
- 4,515 water-saving products given away at community events
- 16,000 water butts given away to encourage future water saving of 19.2 million litres a year (1,200 litres per butt)
- 22,019 free water-saving products ordered in August
- Free products dispatched in August totalled an assumed saving of 395,106.00 litres per day
- Based upon the total assumed savings per day of the products dispatched each month since April 2022, South West Water estimate a total annual saving of 182,504,310 litres
- Home audits carried out in August was 423 with an assumed saving of 14,245 litres per household, per year
- Home audits targeting affordability; 268 audits completed with an assumed saving of 11,187.25 litres saved a year, per household
- Supply pipe webpage forms submitted was 104.

3.2 Water-saving values - September

South West Water continued to emphasise that action is needed to conserve water due to the severe dry weather over the previous eight months, despite rainfall in September.

The campaign benefits throughout September are currently being assessed for impact and effectiveness. This will inform our next wave of communications delivery, as we move from the summer into winter.

SEPT	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome
	Customers	Website	Updated message to promote TUB and the importance of conserving water.	Homepage had 154,001 views. Page visits for "save water" content on the website totalled 41,474 unique views.

Table 7 - Communication and engagement activity in September



Customers	Website	South West Water offered free water saving devices	Page visits amounted to 31,564 during September.
			Over 3,000 of the 16,000 free water butts ordered during August were delivered to customers throughout September, and customers were updated as to dispatch dates.
Customers	TUB announcement - website	Website home page banner updated. Website page created section with all information.	10,846 views to the TUB website page during September.
Customers	Outdoor advertising	From July to September there was a targeted Cornwall specific campaign with increased messaging that prompted action.	The company expected to reach 722k people through this activity.
Tourists	Outdoor advertising	From August to October South West Water launched their first tourist campaign for water efficiency. The company purchased all available spaces at Cornwall Services; the main services for people entering Cornwall. South West Water also ran this campaign at key tourist hotspots; hotels, visitor attractions such as Dairyland, Truro park and ride, local bus	10,000 cars per day to Cornwall Services. Overall reach is expected to be 1 million for the whole campaign.



		network in Truro and Falmouth and digital screen adverts across the county.	
Customers	Social media Facebook	South West Water continued to update on the TUBs and reservoir storage levels across social to encourage appreciation of the	105,000 reach circa 9% engagement rate*
		situation and action. Key messages: • Leakage – what South West Water does to tackle leakage and encourage	
		 customers report leaks Water situation report updates Top tips to save water now. 	
Community	Community events	water efficiency events – handing out free products and talking to customers about the important of water conservation.	Estimated audience reach of 46,000 consumers.
		36 events took place where free water saving devices were available to incentivise	



Future customers	Education	customers to pledge to save water. The company also continued door knocking in hotspots in water stressed area. Encouraging pester power, South West Water educational programme teaches children about the value for water and the importance of water	School engagement: a. 4 schools b. 1 cub group c. 5 lessons d. 1 assembly
Customers	Free products	efficiency. South West Water promoted free water- saving products (hippo bags, tap regulators, shower timers) on its website and via social media posts throughout the month.	Totalling: 276 pupils. The amount of orders placed for free products during September is shown in Table 8 below. These have saved 47,244 litres.
Customers	Home audits	 Increase number of home audits (3500 in Yr3) Free leaky loo fix as part of audit offering Targeting within Colliford zone only Continued offer to <u>all</u> households within Colliford zone 	conducted (156 in TUBS area)

*Figures subject to full review.



PRODUCT	ORDERS		
Showerhead	524		
Shower Reg	164		
Cistern Bag	631		
LeakyLoo with Card	488		
LeakyLoo - extra strips	644		
100L Waterbutt	1		
200L Waterbutt	12		

Table 8 - Free Products Ordered throughout September 2022

Total Orders	1135			

We are currently reviewing all campaign data for the whole campaign period, to inform the strategy for winter communications and a worsening storage situation.

The review will look to better understand the impact and effectiveness of channels and messaging to help inform the next plan and campaign taking insight from both customer focus group inputs and the results achieved.

Whilst we perform this necessary task, we will continue to communicate through all direct channels maintaining a regular and consistent flow of communications to inform and encourage further conservation behaviours.

3.3 Water-saving values – October

With the continuing challenges from the drought, messaging in October has been strengthened further to ensure a clear and direct message to customers. Work was also undertaken on the website to simplify the user experience and ensure customers would quickly reach access to water saving tips and advice.

ОСТ	Audience	Channel	Activity	Outcome
	Customers	Website	Updated message to strengthen messaging on TUB, importance of saving water, the low reservoir levels and need for customers to	21 October the homepage had

Table 9 - Communication and engagement activity in October



		support our efforts. We emphasised both what we are doing to increase efforts around water conservation, but also what customers can do as well. Pop up messaging for any visitors to the website was also added, consistent with Facebook campaign (see below) and asking customers to save water.	Page visits for "save water" content on the website totalled 44,997 unique views.
Customers	Website	South West Water offered free water saving devices	Page visits amounted to 13,532 during the period to 21 October.
Customers	TUB announcement - website	Website home page banner updated with strengthened message Updates given on reservoir levels and challenges. Simplified user experience and customer journey.	7,950 views to the TUB website page during October.
Customers	Direct emails and SMS messages	1,593 customers were emailed in the Welcombe service region at the start of the month on the situation. On 14 October customers in the Colliford and Roadford regions where email or mobile numbers were held were messaged to inform them of the situation and ask them	Welcombe – 1,593 customers emailed with a 70% open rate. Roadford and Colliford – 274,000 customers with 56% open rate. Wimbleball region – 135,000



			to take action to conserve water. On 17 October, customers in the Wimbleball region were sent emails with the same messaging tailored to their area.	customers with a 53% open rate.
			On 21 October, the region wide water resources email to customer was resent to all the non-opens from the sends on 14 and 17 October	170,529 customers with a open rate 22% open rate
Cust	omers	Social media	Updated and more direct messaging was created for launch on paid for Facebook advertising campaign in mid October, asking customers to save water.	~504,000 reach to 17 October (campaign ongoing)
			Updated infographics also developed and issued across various social media channels channels.	
Cust	omers	Bill messaging	Messaging asking customers to save water was added to bills via 'sticky note' type positioning on front of bills.	All bills issued going from 14 October.
Com	munity	Community events	The focus was on door knocking in hotspots in water stressed area, with direct conversations and	To 12 October 2,050 customers visited, with 667 spoken to on the doorstep and



		providing on the spot water saving devices, notably in Welcombe and St Austell areas.	letters left with all other customers. Devices issued are included in Table 10 below.
Future customers	Education	Encouraging pester power, South West Water educational programme teaches children about the value for water and the importance of water efficiency.	School engagement: • 5 schools • 4 lessons • 1 assembly Totalling: 517 pupils.
Customers	Free products	South West Water promoted free water- saving products (hippo bags, tap regulators, shower timers) on its website and via social media posts throughout the month.	In the period to 22 October, 13,532 post codes were entered into the survey, with 9,194 water usage surveys completed, and 6,009 customers opting in for further information on water saving. 1,487 orders were placed for 2,294 water saving devices. The amount of orders placed for free products during October is shown in Table 10 below. These have a potential to save 364,411 litres per day, if all



			products are fitted. A significant step up in visits was experienced following the emails issued on 14 October.
Customers	Home audits	 Increase number of home audits (3500 in Yr3) Free leaky loo fix as part of audit offering Targeting within Colliford zone only Free customer side find and fix for leaks Continued offer to <u>all</u> households within Colliford zone 	Home visit retrofit audits conducted "Find and fix" audits with Schools targeted in the West Cornwall area

Table 10 - Free Water Saving Products issued from June 2022 to October 2022

Water saving devices issued*	June	July	August	September	October*
Shower timer		2	31	39	261
Shower head	10	15	126	175	648
Leaky loo strip	14	10	135	694	1,024
Water saving tap inserts					101
Buffaloo cistern bag	14	16	100	222	661
Water butts			18	16,000	59
Total products ordered	38	43	410	17,130	2,754

*October reflects period to 22 October only and includes 460 devices issued via face to face activities in W elcom be/St Austell

Throughout October to date we have also been working on an external marketing campaign to target the TUBS region with stronger and more saturated messaging to encourage customers to take urgent action to save water. We anticipate this will be launched in late October.



Table 11 - Water Resources Media Coverage in October

Water Resources Media Coverage Summary 01 - 21 October 2022
3 October
The Water Report – Drought condition spreads across all of England – South West Water has applied
for a drought permit Link
4 October
The Tiverton Express – Experts warn lots more rain needed to stop Devon's drought lasting right
into next year
5 October
The Cornish Guardian – Drought is expected to continue into next year
6 October
Express & Echo – Warning country's drought could last into next year, despite recent rainfall
West Briton – Drought is expected to continue into next year
The Cornishman – Drought is expected to continue into next year
Mid-Devon Advertiser – Drought still in effect
North Devon Journal – Experts warn drought could carry on into 2023 with water
levels still low
11 October
BBC Spotlight, BBC Radio Cornwall, BBC Radio Cornwall - all feature interview with Drought Director
Jo Ecroyd
12 October
BBC - 'Devon and Cornwall reservoir levels half of what they should be' Link
Devon Live 'Devon families must restrict water use' to stop reservoir levels dropping further'
Herald Express 'Lot more rain needed soon or else drought will last into next year'



13 October

ITV 'People in Devon and Cornwall told to ration water as reservoir levels drop'

The Herald 'Residents still urged to restrict water use'

Western Morning News 'Investment in water storage and capture is clearly going to be needed'

Western Morning News 'Save Water - or face more restrictions warns SWW'

Western Morning News 'Drought Conditions still affecting West'

The Herald (Plymouth) 'Households told to ration over 'crisis' water levels

Devon Live: Devon families 'must restrict water use' to stop reservoir levels dropping further

Cornwall Live: Cornwall families told to 'redouble efforts' to ration water as reservoir levels remain 'exceptionally low'

Devon Live: South West Water offers top tips to help customers save water and money Link

Cornwall Live: South West Water offers top tips to help customers save water and money Link

14 October

South West Farmer - Drought in south west expected to continue Link

Somerset Live - Wimbleball Lake's water levels drop 'dangerously low', reservoir drone images reveal

15 October

Guardian - Drought threatens England's fruit and vegetable crop next year, says report Link

Wales Online - Pictures show drought-hit reservoir after falling to 'dangerously low' level Link

South West Farmer - Wimbleball Lake Exmoor levels reduced by drought Link

16 October

Daily Mail - Water levels at one of the UK's largest reservoirs have dropped to just 20 PER CENT of its capacity amid fears of shortages this winter Link

17 October

Plymouth Live - Drone footage shows just how low water levels at Burrator are Link (replicated in Devon Live Link)





Water Briefing - National Drought Group forecasts drought may remain beyond spring 2023 Link

Falmouth Packet - Stithians Reservoir, Cornwall pictures show low water level

18 October

Cornwall Live - South West Water: Reduce water usage now to avoid further restrictions Link (replicated in Devon Live Link)

19 October

Devon Live - How knocking on 2,000 doors is helping to protect our region's water supplies Link (replicated on Cornwall Live Link)

20 October

BBC News - Devon and Cornwall reservoirs less than 30% full Link

BBC Radio Cornwall – Interview with Lisa Gahan on water resource update (from 1:21:20)

BBC Radio Devon – Interview with Lisa Gahan on water resource update (from 1:34:05)

Express and Echo – People must save yet more water to avoid restrictions

Express and Echo – Helping to protect your water in the South West

North Devon Journal - Helping to protect your water in the South West

Mid-Devon Advertiser – Prediction drought to remain until 2023

21 October

Coverage expected from interview at Kennick Reservoir with ITV West Country at 10am- with Dr Lisa Gahan