## Water Plus

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#### Agenda



- The water market 2 years on....
- Expectations
- Market update
- Key market challenges
- The Water Plus Journey
- Summary and any questions



### **Retail water market - Expectations**



More choice	<ul> <li>A greater choice of retailer's and new entrants</li> <li>Switching decisions based not only on price</li> <li>Increased services and more propositions on offer</li> </ul>
Improvement to service	<ul> <li>Consolidation option for multi site customers</li> <li>Making it easier for customers to do business</li> <li>Multiple contact channels and dedicated points of contact</li> </ul>
Downward pricing	<ul> <li>Tight margins</li> <li>Retailer's having to be more cost efficient</li> </ul>
Increased innovation	<ul> <li>New products, services and online tools</li> <li>Improved water management services</li> </ul>



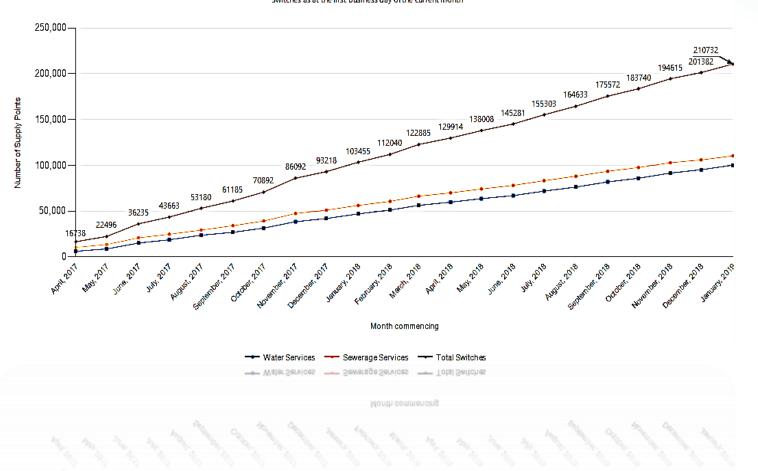
#### The water market – and 2 years on...

- £2.5b annual revenue
- 1.2m businesses

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- 8% of sites switched
- 30 plus retail licenses granted
- Complaint levels >1% of customer base



Cumulative Switching of Service Switches as at the first business day of the current month

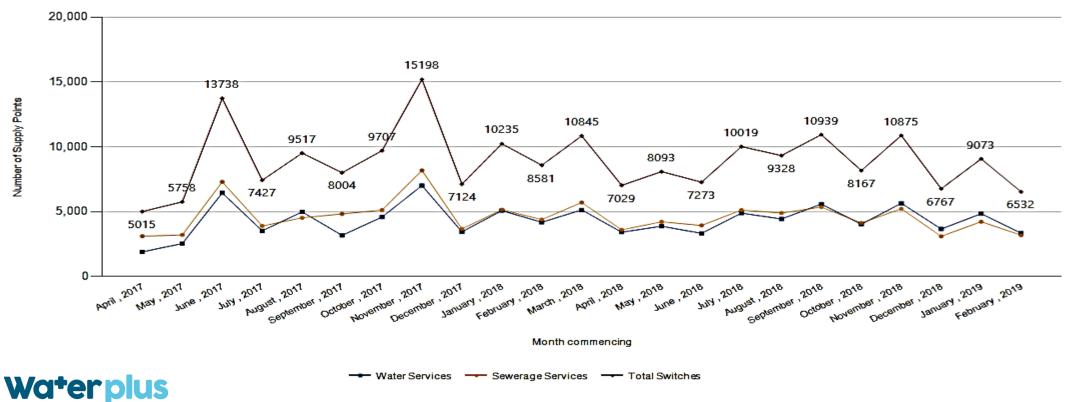


#### Monthly switching rates



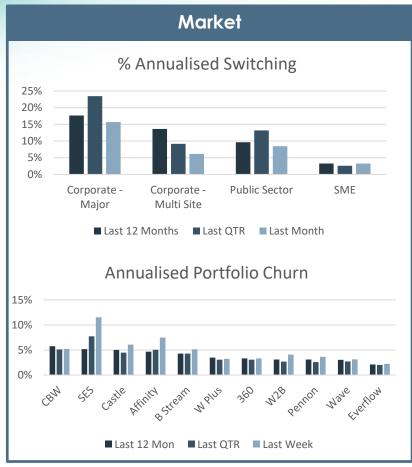
Monthly Switching Rate

Total supply points switched as at the first business day of the current month: 216,965



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#### **Market Summary**



Competitors Corporate SME 100% 100% 50% 50% 0% 0% Last QTR Last Month Last 12 Last 12 Last QTR Last Mon Mon Month Water Plus B Stream ■ Water Plus ■ Everflow Clear Bus Wave SES Pennon Castle □ SES Wave Castle Other Pennon Other

Annual Default Rev (£m)	Last 12 Mon			Last QTR			Last Month		
	Won	Lost	Net	Won	Lost	Net	Won	Lost	Net
Business Stream	£22.2	£26.8	-£4.6	£6.3	£7.2	-£0.9	£0.9	£2.0	-£1.1
Castle	£15.3	£57.7	-£42.4	£6.9	£11.1	-£4.3	£1.2	£3.5	-£2.3
Clear Business	£12.0	£5.2	£6.8	£1.8	£1.3	£0.6	£0.6	£0.4	£0.1
Everflow	£23.6	£1.9	£21.8	£4.3	£0.2	£4.2	£1.6	£0.0	£1.6
Pennon	£16.4	£7.4	£8.9	£4.9	£1.2	£3.6	£1.7	£0.4	£1.4
SES	£15.8	£1.3	£14.5	£4.0	£0.4	£3.6	£0.9	£0.1	£0.9
Water Plus	£20.7	£62.5	-£41.8	£1.2	£15.4	-£14.2	£0.5	£3.5	-£3.0
Wave	£45.3	£19.1	£26.2	£8.8	£5.6	£3.2	£2.6	£0.7	£2.0
Other	£37.5	£26.9	£10.6	£10.1	£6.0	£4.1	£1.9	£1.5	£0.5

#### Comments

#### Market

- Market activity has remained broadly consistent for the last 12 months
- Corporate customers remain the most active and hotly contested in the market
- An increase in Major switching has been
   observed in recent months
- SME market switching has remined law and is still largely driven by brokers

#### Competitor Strategies

- Everflow growing SME base through TPIs
- Castle active in Public Sector but low margins
- Wave active in brokered large SME & corporate
- Business Stream active in all market segments . Recently acquired Yorkshire book

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#### Key market challenges

- Standardisation of pricing
- Wholesaler processes and interactions
- The quality of the market data
- Low margins





#### **The Water Plus Journey**

We are working behind the scenes to make things smoother for our customers

Next 1-3 Months

- Improved service process including additional resources
- Catch-up billing on a small number of complex accounts
- Improvements to our bill transparency
- Improve our online customer portal and launch broker pricing portal
- Dedicated TPI Account Manager



Next 3-6 months

- Improved wholesaler management processes
- Continued systems unification to improve billing and service reliability
- End to end query tracking
- Further improvements to billing validation processes



#### **Pricing Portal Launch**



- Launched in partnership with UD group
- Ability to quote across all areas and multiple sites
- Value threshold of £150k
- Ability to flex commissions
- Quote to full contract stage
- Full reporting

#### Why Water Plus?



# Collaborative approach

Invest in long term relationships

# Innovative



#### Summary



- The market is maturing broadly in line with expectations
- System and market issues have caused some service challenges for most retailers
- Innovation has been slow to happen but some retailers are now focused in this area
- There is a significant opportunity for TPIs/brokers and other water efficiency providers





# Any questions?

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