

There was widespread disappointment after the publication of the Water (Special Measures) Bill in Parliament this week, with the focus appearing to be on penalising water companies rather than enforcing existing regulations and changing the whole system for future benefit.

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The Environment Secretary said the newly-announced Water (Special Measures) Bill is a "down-payment" on wider plans to reset the beleaguered sector.

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Subsequently in a public meeting Steve Reed, the Environment Minister, appears to have committed to transformational reform of the broken water sector.

According to Surfers against Sewage, buried in today's government announcement on the #SewageScandal, which trumpeted welcome plans to strengthen regulation and enforcement, was the following:

**"We need to reform the entire water system... The government will carry out a full review to shape further legislation that will fundamentally transform how our entire water system works and clean up our rivers, lakes and seas for good"**

If that's real, that's very good news.

I think we have to remain sceptical - until it actually happens. Please keep up the pressure on MPs and councillors to implement these fine words - as soon as possible!

Only then will we have a cleaner and healthier Nidd.