

# Abolishing Ofwat can't let water companies off



GMB Union has responded to the [Government recommendation to abolish water regulator Ofwat](#), something the union formally [called for at its congress last year](#).

**Gary Carter, GMB National Officer, said:**

“GMB formally called for Ofwat to be abolished last year, so we welcome this move.

“But water companies cannot be let off the hook.

“They’re the ones who’ve allowed our rivers and waterways to get in the state they are; splashing out on dividends and top brass pay, instead of infrastructure, whilst racking up huge debts.



“But Ofwat – and previous Governments – have failed to hold them to account.

“We must take this opportunity to fundamentally reform the water sector and bring in regulations that will stop these water giants riding roughshod over the British public.”

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