## **Water Pollution Levels Application**

## **Consent Form**

If you are happy to participate please complete and sign the consent form below.

|   | Activities  | Initials |
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| 1 | I confirm that I have read the attached information sheet ( <b>Version 1, Date 06/12/2024</b> ) for the above study and have had the opportunity to consider the information and ask questions and had these answered satisfactorily.   |          |
| 2 | I understand that my participation in the study is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving a reason and without detriment to myself. I understand that it will not be possible to remove my data from the project once it has been anonymised and forms part of the data set. |          |
|   | I agree to take part on this basis.   |          |
| 3 | I agree that any data collected may be included in anonymous form in publications/conference presentations.   |          |
| 4 | I agree that any research publications can include direct quotes of my responses in <b>anonymous</b> format.  |          |
| 5 | I understand that a fully anonymised dataset will be deposited in an open data repository at the end of the project.  |          |
| 6 | I understand that data collected during the study may be looked at by individuals from The University of Leeds or regulatory authorities, where it is relevant to my taking part in this research. I give permission for these individuals to have access to my data.                                     |          |
| 7 | I understand that there may be instances where during the course of the research information is revealed which means the researchers will be obliged to break confidentiality and this has been explained in more detail in the information sheet.  |          |
| 8 | I agree to take part in this study.   |          |

The following activities are optional, you may participate in the research without agreeing to the following:

| 9 | I agree to the interviews being audio recorded |  |
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## **Data Protection**

The personal information we collect and use to conduct this research will be processed in accordance with UK data protection law as explained in the Participant Information Sheet and the Privacy Notice for Research Participants.

| Name of Participant               | Signature | _<br>Date |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Name of the person taking consent | Signature | –<br>Date |
|                                   |           |           |

 ${\bf 1}$  copy for the participant,  ${\bf 1}$  copy for the research team (original