

Open Data 12-month roadmap: April 2026 – March 2027

Systems and tools

- Review hosting and storage arrangements for sharing of UU open data.
- Document UU technical data and publishing standards and ensure data releases are in conformance.
- Complete an annual review using the Open Data Institute maturity assessment framework.

Value framework and triage

- Embed the UU open data value framework as a standard approach for assessing all open and shared data opportunities.
- Refine and continuously improve triage and risk assessment processes using stakeholder feedback.
- Work with Stream and legal teams to develop the infrastructure and processes needed for sharing data.

Knowledge and skills

- Build organisational understanding of open and shared data at UU, including clear routes for support and suggestions for potential new use cases.
- Promote and embed Open Data Institute training and internal learning via the Data & AI Training Hub.

Use cases

- Continue to deliver new open and shared data use cases through Stream and identify UU use cases which can support stakeholders and deliver value.
- Review and refresh existing open data publications in line with our release schedule and implement enhancements based on user feedback.
- Include information on risk and mitigation strategies as part of use case supporting information.

Collaboration

- Take on the Change Champion role to lead on the delivery of Stream's priority outcomes.
- Collaborate with other water companies and stakeholders to deliver open data initiatives including cross-sector use cases. Share insights and feedback with Stream members to keep improving the sector's open data processes.
- Develop partnerships and collaborate, using open and shared data to deliver research and innovation initiatives.

Communication

- Develop a UU stakeholder map to increase engagement and promote the use of open and shared data.
- Improve user feedback mechanisms and develop usage metrics.
- Publish a register of released data and encourage feedback to improve data quality, accessibility and organisational processes.
- Use internal and external channels to promote released datasets and share success stories/re-use.