

Attachment B: October to December 2025 (Non-compliance with legislation)

Item	commentary	next steps
Drinking Water (Quality Assurance Rules)- Taumata Arowai		
Corbridge Water Supply	Scheme currently does not have a protozoa barrier and does not achieve chlorine contact time. Resident supply will exceed Chlorine contact time due to pipe length, and protozoa risk is very low due to depth of bore and previous E.coli monitoring.	Corbridge to be connected to Luggate scheme (see below).
Luggate Water Supply	Scheme unable to comply as no protozoa barrier present.	Luggate WTP construction (incl. protozoa barrier) scheduled for completion and handover after proving & trial operation period in mid-April 2026.

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