## <u>Ilkley gets green light for first river bathing site in England</u>

Part of the River Wharfe at Ilkley becomes the first river bathing site in England, which will help to make the water cleaner and safer for local swimmers

## A long-buried Kent stream is brought back into the daylight

Uncovering of Bourne Stream will support plant and animal life, and reduce risk of flooding to nearby area.

#### <u>Essex man hinders probe into illegal</u> <u>waste in Kent</u>

Numerous failures to provide information end in court fine.

# Flood scheme team bring Christmas smiles to many thanks to appeal

Teams from the Environment Agency, Bury Council and BAM Nuttall have helped boost a charity appeal which means more children in Radcliffe and Redvales will now have a smile put on their faces this Christmas

# Construction of Exmouth tidal defence scheme recommencing in January

Exmouth moves a step closer to increased protection from tidal flooding as construction of the £12m scheme restarts.