

VAS Council

Water and Sewage Co-operation in Stockholm County

- establishes regional cooperation on water and sewage issues that require consensus, measures and resources
- works to secure long-term sustainable water and sewage solutions in a growing region
- works in particular on initiatives aimed at raising the level of knowledge about drinking water provision, receiver issues, water and sewage strategies and large-scale water and sewage technology.



KSL, County Association of Local Authorities are managing the VAS Council. KSL also work to implement regional environmental objectives with other regional stakeholders by contributing to clear connections between municipal, regional and national environmental objectives.

The aim is to make current environmental work visible, investigate the need for additional measures, decide on new measures and follow-up efforts, as well as carry out programmes of action.

Swedish municipalities are obliged to provide reliable water supply and wastewater treatment. To this end, KSL acts primarily through the VAS Council and its committee, which was formed in 2005 to protect water environments in the Stockholm county.



VAS has produced a number of reports that provide support documentation for political decision-making and municipal management planning.

The 26 municipalities in the Stockholm county understands that the need for regional co-operation in the field of water and wastewater has increased in the past few years. This need arises from population growth, climate change and the EU framework directive for water.

Future reports from the VAS appear likely to be extended to providing decision-makers with more information on the implications of climate change and the municipalities overall responsibilities and options.



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