

Sewage spills into the brook – and Bristol generally – way too often

- **Number of spills of raw sewage in 2022 – 125 times for a duration of 280 hours**
- **Worst location is Airport Road so affecting Nightingale Valley Nature Reserve**

Constituency	Rivers /streams affected	Duration (hrs) in 2022	Instances in 2022	Low lights
Bristol East	Bristol Avon	533	342	Lower Hanham Rd CSO, Permit 101759: Spilled raw sewage 41 times in 2022 for a total of 174 hours
Bristol South	Brislington Brook, the Malago	238	146	Airport Road CSO, Permit 103287: Spilled raw sewage 33 times for a total of 94 hours
Bristol West	River Frome	290	236	Cranbrook Rd CSO, Permit 11395: Spilled raw sewage for 50 times a total of 36 hours
Bristol North West	Horfield Brook, River Trym	4319	2047	Muller Rd CSO, Permit 101849: Spilled raw sewage 105 times for a total of 445 hours; Wellington Hill West CSO spilled raw sewage 46 times for a total of 96 hours

- Google - **Is my river safe to play in** - 2022 data provided by Wessex Water

Wessex Water has:

- Acknowledged reports and cleaned up the debris quickly & confirmed plans to upgrade some sewers / CSOs
- We need to keep watching / reporting pollution and asking them to tackle the problematic sewage outfalls

We can all act to help:

- 1) **The 3 Ps** - only ever flush Pee / Poo / Paper down the U bend (less potential for blockages)
- 2) **Report suspected sewage pollution** immediately to Wessex water: **0345 600 4 600**
- 3) **Volunteer** – eg litter picking / balsam bashing
- 4) **Email / write to those with power** – politely let them know what you feel plus also ask:
 - **Your MP** – What will she do about the situation in her constituency (Horfield Brook / Frome)?
 - **Kye Dudd (Council Cabinet Member for Climate, Ecology, Waste and Energy)** – What is he doing to hold Wessex Water to account for pollution in Bristol’s green / blue spaces?
 - **Your local councillors** – What are they doing to help & to hold Kye / Wessex Water to account?
 - **Wessex Water** – What are they doing which will cut sewage pollution in Bristol?

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