

Water Quality Select Committee Plymouth City Council



Importance:

- *Britain's Ocean City – One of Europe's most vibrant waterfront cities, where an outstanding quality of life is enjoyed by everyone*
- UK's first National Marine Park – Significant designations
- 3 designated Bathing Waters

Responsibility:

- Support Bathing Water – signage + short term pollution advice.
- Partnership nature delivery – NMP, TECF, MPA
- Shell Fisheries – Monitoring
- Flood risk – delivery
- Highways maintenance

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Challenges

- Sewage Network
- Urban and Agricultural run-off
- Microplastics
- Changing weather patterns
- 'Bathing Season'
- Behaviours
- Complexity of Solutions



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Opportunities

- Partnership collaboration.
- Community involvement in solution design and delivery.
- Innovation – NBS.
- Alignment of investment.
- Multi-benefits – Flooding and Water Quality, nature, access, wellbeing.
- Additional benefits – skills, jobs GVA.



Water Quality – Select Committee Opportunities for Improvements



Our purpose is to meet the future water management challenges jointly and collaboratively. This includes a commitment to;

- further develop a shared understanding of the challenges faced in Plymouth.
- identify further synergies and partnership opportunities between our planned investment programmes and wider working.
- work together to identify more holistic solutions with greater impact and with a focus on developing a ‘Green First’ approach.
- enabling greater levels of community engagement, understanding and community codesign of solutions to water management.
- deliver investments and programmes in a more integrated way to maximise the benefits (including wider social, environmental and economic benefits) and mitigate risk.
- identify and address critical gaps – for example resource gaps through shared bids or developing innovative financial models for investment gaps; and
- jointly explore wider opportunities and levers that can support our shared ambition e.g. with other key city partners and national stakeholders.