# **NEWQUAY** CLEANER SEAS



Let's help keep the bathing waters of **Porth** and **Newquay** clean for everyone.

We're putting the wrong things down our loos, sinks and drains! Over time this can block up the sewer pipes, causing sewage to flood over and wash into the rivers and sea. This isn't just damaging to marine wildlife, the effluent also contains bacteria which can be harmful to swimmers and surfers. It costs £88 million a year to unblock the sewers and we pay for it on our water bills.

Turn over to find out how you can help. It's a no drainer!





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# HOW CAN **I HELP?**



## Think sink

Don't dispose of Fat, Oil and Grease (FOG) down the sink. When they cool and harden, they create *fatbergs* which block the sewers and cause them to flood.

Commercial kitchens should consider a grease trap, or at home you should empty FOG into a different container and bin or recycle instead.



#### Love your loo

Only put the 3Ps (pee, paper and poo) down the toilet. Anything else, even if it claims to be 'flushable' can block the sewers and cause flooding.

The Marine Conservation Society found that 2 billion sanitary items were flushed down toilets in 2013.

### Only rain down the drain

Surface water drains along the roads, which are designed to take rainwater straight to the river. Look out for 'Yellow Fish' in Newquay and Porth this summer, a reminder that it's Only Rain Down the Drain - anything else will pollute.



#### **Check your connections**

Make sure that all of your wastewater is connected properly. Toilets, washing machines and other 'dirty water' sources can get wrongly connected to clean water drains and end up in the rivers and sea.





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