

Nº2 WATER POLLUTION

WHAT IS WATER POLLUTION ?

Water pollution occurs when harmful substances – often chemicals or microorganisms – contaminate a stream, river, lake, ocean, degrading water quality and rendering it toxic to humans, animals or the environment.

WHAT ARE THE CAUSES OF WATER POLLUTION ?

As water is able to absorb more substances than any other liquid on earth, it gets easily polluted. Toxic substances from farms, towns, and factories dissolve into and mix with it, causing water pollution.

ARE SCOTTISH WATERS HIGHLY POLLUTED ?

Sewage spills in rivers and seas is a main cause of water pollution. For the last five years the equivalent of 47,000 Olympic-sized swimming pools worth of waste has been discharged in Scottish waters.

“DROUGHTS ARE INTENSIFYING, OUR OCEANS ARE WARMING AND ACIDIFYING WITH METHANE RISING UP FROM BENEATH THE OCEAN FLOOR.”

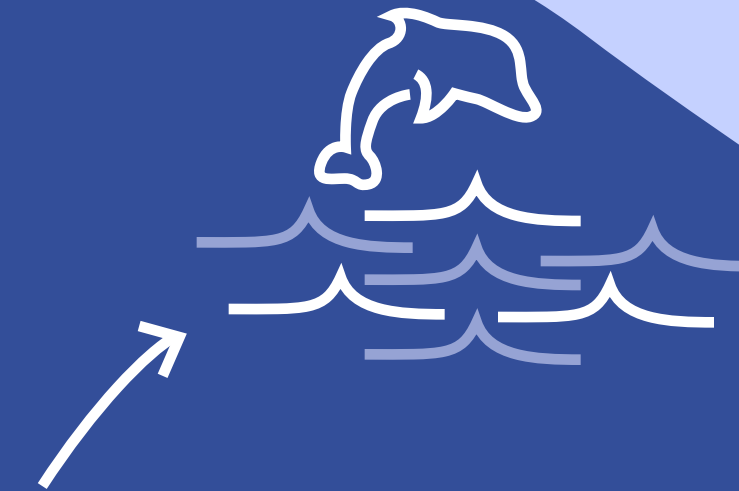
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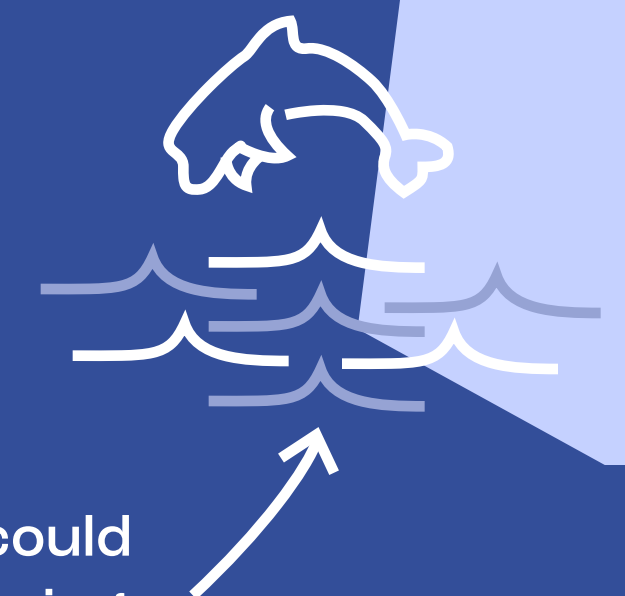
Rubbish belongs in the bin, not the Clyde!
Help advocate for a clean River Clyde in order to protect fish, dolphins and seaweed, and maybe one day you'll be able to take a swim with your friends!



Water pollution can be caused by industrial waste.



Last summer, families of dolphins found a new home in the Clyde.



If you are lucky, you could spot porpoises swimming and enjoying the Clyde!

RIVER CLYDE