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Water

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Draining the rain

Did you know –
Rainfall is projected to
increase significantly
in the next 30 years?

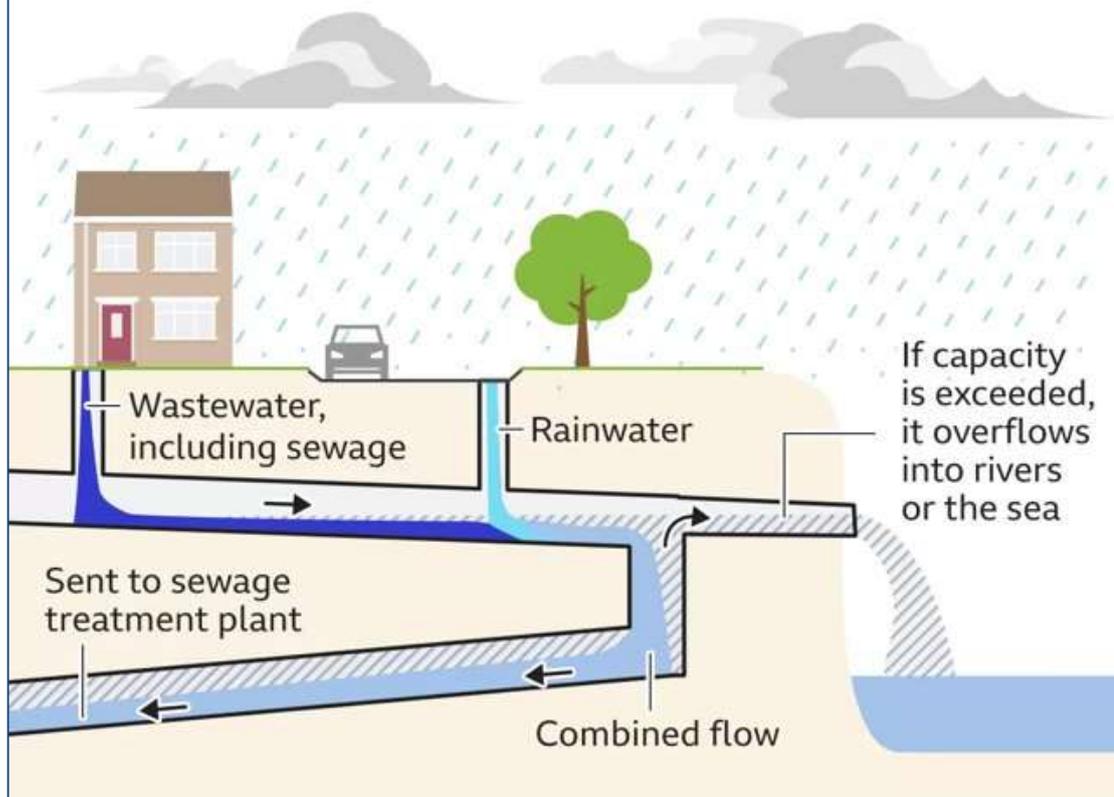
Every day we treat over 1 billion litres of waste water from homes and businesses and return it safely to the environment.

Our drainage network also helps with rain water during heavy rainfall storms. Our climate is changing and more water is getting into the drainage network than the system can cope with.

The system has a relief mechanism to safely relieve the pressure on the network, to minimise the risk of flooding to homes and businesses.

Combined Sewer Overflows (CSO)

How combined sewer systems work



CSOs are designed to release pressure on the network from rain using overflows to rivers and the sea.

When there are overflows from a rain storm, **less than 1% of this is sewage from toilets.**

CSOs are licenced and regulated by SEPA