

# RIVER SEWAGE: THAMES WATER COMMITTS TO SPEND OVER £400m LOCALLY

Jeremy's campaign to clean up our local rivers, especially the River Wey catchment, received a major boost following a commitment by Thames Water to invest over £423.7m in the next 3 years on priority areas including reducing phosphorous in Cranleigh, Elstead, Godalming, Shamley Green, Farnham and Haslemere.

Following a public meeting in Bramley that Jeremy organised with Thames Water's former CEO and Environment Agency (EA) Chair Alan Lovell, Thames Water published the commitment which Jeremy will now make sure they deliver.

At the same time, Chancellor Jeremy announced that all fines paid by water companies will be

spent on cleaning up sewage. Since 2015 the EA has concluded 56 prosecutions against water and sewage companies, securing fines of over £141m, so it is right that this money is channelled back into improving water quality.

This comes on top of a new government requirement for water companies to invest £56bn over the next 25 years - the largest ever environmental infrastructure investment. Fines for water companies will be

unlimited and support for farmers to reduce slurry pollution will also be doubled and - in a victory for Jeremy's green spaces campaign - the plastic wet wipes which block sewers will be banned.

## JOIN ONE OF JEREMY'S LITTER PICKS

### Are you mad about littering?

Why not join one of Jeremy's autumn litter picks. Exact locations will be confirmed in his weekly newsletter or email Jeremy at:

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and we will let you know directly.

Friday  
**20th**  
October  
CRANLEIGH

Saturday  
**4th**  
November  
FARNHAM

Friday  
**10th**  
November  
GODALMING

Friday  
**8th**  
December  
HASLEMERE

