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A Cleaner Nidd, Fit for Life

Make rivers safe for all.

for invertebrates (a vital part of the food chain) to fish, birds, animals and people.

Stop sewage pollution.

End the illegal release of untreated sewage into the River Nidd

Raise the bar.

Improve standards, so legally discharged waste doesn't harm the River Nidd

A Lot Has been Happening!

There's lots of recent information available on the NAG website. [Nidd action Group-Home](#) and on our Facebook [\(20+\)Facebook](#)

Please keep in touch with us through these and by email via info@niddactiongroup.org.

I am afraid that (pressures of time and lack of skills) I haven't sent out a NAG newsletter since June 2024. Apologies. Maybe you can help, or know someone who would?

As you will see from the websites, and elsewhere:

- The Lido at Knaresborough has been designated as **POOR** quality for Bathing, after a season's weekly sampling by the Environment Agency (and two major NAG surveys of the Nidd in August and October 2023).
 - NAG volunteers also did a week's sampling as part of a national SAS survey for not just E.coli but also pharmaceuticals and for genetics that may tell us whether the undoubtedly high concentrations of E.coli come from humans via sewage or from agricultural runoff into the Nidd
 - Some results are being shared with the volunteers from 23 bathing waters today - expect some announcements next week, probably nationally (SAS, Guardian etc.)
- NAG's core group of volunteers in our group committee is finalizing **a plan for action in 2025**, building on the data we have collected and on the relationships we have made with all the major stakeholders in the Nidd during 2024
- NAG is just starting some funded research with the Universities of Leeds and of York, as a key contributor.
- We are planning for a public meeting in the New Year to discuss the current issues, show what we have done and what we hope to do with our own volunteers and our friends from other organizations who share our aims.
- We haven't been asking for your active practical help with monitoring the Nidd much this year, but that is about to change!

PLEASE HELP!

Training for Citizen Scientists

With the developing plan for 2025, we will need to ensure that we can produce accurate data from our observations and samples.

There are some 'industry standard' techniques that we can learn and apply on the Nidd this coming year, to undertake including Outfall safaris, habitat surveys and Water Quality & Riverfly sampling

An opportunity has arisen for some **FREE training in the New Year** on **physical habitat assessment**, using the MoRPh methodology

www.modularriversurvey.org

[The Catchment Systems Thinking Cooperative - CaSTCo | The Rivers Trust](#)

- This course is an essential part of our understanding and documenting the physical, biological and chemical aspects of the Nidd.
- We need this **baseline** before we can contribute to the Nidd's improvement as a safe environment for wildlife and for humans.

Made available to us through our friends at YDRT, part of the Rivers Trust organization, and delivered by a CaSTCo trainer,

- the **free one day training**, at a date **in January or February** to be determined, is on offer
- for **up to 10 volunteers** (*I am down for one of the places!*)

If you would be interested in doing this training, please email me at info@niddactiongroup.org to reserve a place.

Should the training day chosen not be suitable for you, there is no commitment at this stage.

We will be in contact to establish who the lucky 10 attendees are!

Encourage your friends to join NAG!

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