

Chiltern's water crisis

The alarming facts facing the Chilterns



164.2 litres

of water are used on average by Chess Valley residents everyday (government target is a max of 100 litres per day)

63%

of Chiltern Chalk streams are dry

1 Billion

extra litres of water used per day in the South East over next 15 years

Did you know?

Artificial turf might appear to be a water efficient alternative but uses about

3,744 litres

to manufacture just one square metre. That's about the equivalent of watering a real lawn for

18 years!

Just let grass go brown during drier periods - it will go green again as soon as it rains.

How much water can you save?



Use your washing machine and dishwasher when full - some new machines use less than

7 litres

for each kg of clothes

Fit a water butt to collect rainwater - they usually store about 200 litres of rainwater, so as well as being better for watering your plants, they reduce the amount of treated water you use



Did you know?

Use a watering can in the garden instead of a sprinkler or a hosepipe (which can use more than 250 litres when left running for 30 minutes)

A running tap can use 6 litres a minute - turn off the tap just ten seconds sooner and save 1 litre

SAVE 1 litre

SAVE 250 litres



If you keep your shower to no longer than 5 minutes it uses half the water of a standard bath

Did you know?

If a family of 4 reduced their shower time by just one minute, every year

they could save...

SAVES 40 litres a shower



Proud to be working in partnership with CSWC and CCSP to deliver better water resilience throughout our community in the face of multiple challenges.

£45 on metered water bills

£52 on energy bills

11,648 litres of water

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