



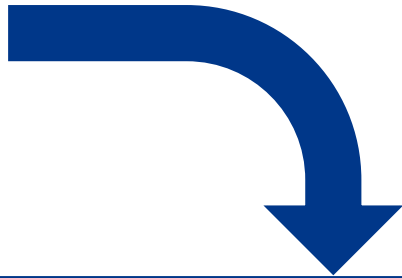
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# THE SOUTH EAST RIVERS TRUST



## WHO ARE WE?



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## WHAT DO WE DO?

**Engagement**

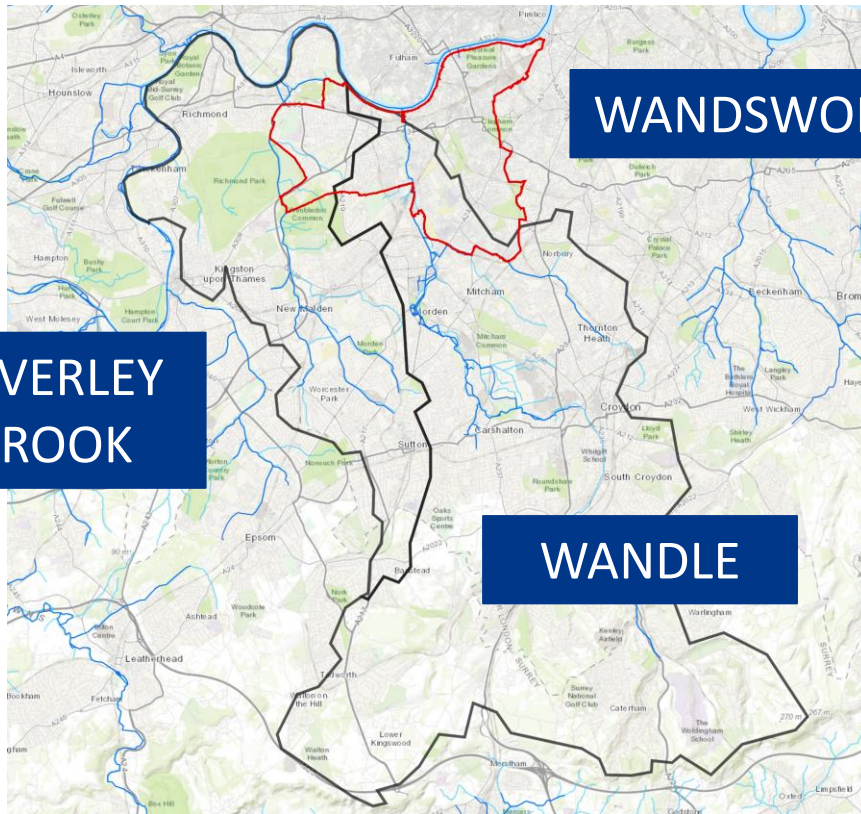
**Education**

**Ecological improvement**

**Partnership working**



# RIVERS IN WANDSWORTH



**WANDSWORTH**

**BEVERLEY  
BROOK**

**WANDLE**

**Both flow into the  
Thames**

**Predominantly urban land  
use with high population  
density**

# A CHALK STREAM



Only 200  
worldwide  
90% of which are  
found in England



# BLUE/GREEN SPACES IN WANDSWORTH



## Wildlife corridors

Continuous habitat linking other blue and green spaces

## Access to nature

Wandle Trail, Beverley Brook Walk

## Recreation

Walking, cycling, fishing

## Enhanced wellbeing

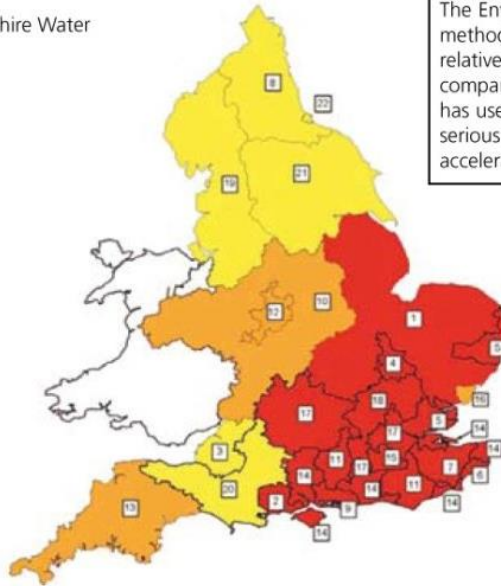
Contact with blue space is beneficial, particularly for mental health and wellbeing



# CLIMATE CHANGE

## Areas of relative water stress

1. Anglian Water
2. Bournemouth and West Hampshire Water
3. Bristol Water
4. Cambridge Water
5. Essex and Suffolk Water
6. Folkestone and Dover Water
7. Mid Kent Water
8. Northumbrian Water
9. Portsmouth Water
10. Severn Trent Water
11. South East Water
12. South Staffordshire Water
13. South West Water
14. Southern Water
15. Sutton and East Surrey Water
16. Tendring Hundred Water
17. Thames Water
18. Three Valleys Water
19. United Utilities
20. Wessex Water
21. Yorkshire Water
22. Anglian Water (formerly Hartlepool Water)



The Environment Agency has developed a methodology for identifying and classifying relative levels of water stress in water company areas in England. The Government has used this map to designate areas of serious water stress for the purpose of accelerating water metering.

### Levels of water stress

- Serious
- Moderate
- Low
- Not assessed

Source: Environment Agency, 2007



## South East severely water stressed

Frequency of extreme weather events is likely to increase

Increased occurrence of drought and flooding

# WHAT ARE WE DOING TO HELP?

**Restoration projects to improve resilience and provide refuge**

**Sustainable drainage to recharge groundwater and slow the flow of water into rivers**

**Natural Flood Management**

**Work with landowners to improve soil management**





# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

## Reduce your water consumption!

- Take shorter showers
- Turn off the tap
- Only wash a full load
- Install water saving devices
- Use water butts in your garden



## Don't pave over your garden or driveway

Hard paving increases the amount of water that enters the river when it rains



