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Community Bathing Water Quality Project – 2021 Season Report – St Brides

In 2021 and following on with engagement with of our Community Councils, the Pollution Control Team is piloting a community bathing water project. This will see officers sample local, non-designated waters that are frequently used by member of the public and it is hoped that this project will provide useful information to both members of the public and bathers.

The bathing water quality is monitored to improve safety and maintain the high standards that we expect.

St Brides was included due to its popularity with swimming groups, paddling, water sports and dog walking as well as organised diving expeditions.

It is a sandy beach on the edge of St Brides bay surrounded by agricultural land as well as the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The Beach is overlooked by St Brides Castle with a church, small number of houses, public toilets and carpark adjacent.

Over the bathing water season (May-September) we have sampled 7 times across what was mainly the summer holiday period. This was to monitor the bathing water quality during its peak usage.

We sampled from the same point to maintain integrity of the sample produced, this was from the right hand side of the beach looking outwards.

Date	15/6/21	19/7/21	26/7/21	3/8/21	9/8/21	23/8/21	31/8/21
E.coli cfu/ml	0	0	23	2	28	6	0
Enterococci cfu/ml	2	1	31	2	11	9	0

These samples all provided **Excellent** results at these specific times.

There are potential issues with regards to run off from agriculture as well as issues due to oversubscription of the facilities but none of these were present during the sampling period.

Overall, St Brides provided outstanding results which highlight Excellent water quality at the sampled times.

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Yours faithfully

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