



River influence

Mapping the influences along your river

The project provides resources and information which enable you to identify and report any issue on any river to your project database.

Please read the information in the guidebook to become familiar with signs and sources to look out for.

Your project co-ordinator will meet you on the river to demonstrate and discuss the project, they will begin to contact small businesses to discuss pollution solutions in your area also.

If there is a need for the project there are issues which need resolving, we aim to provide both



Using the App

The epicollect5 app has been set up for ease of use on the river and will work on any smartphone, tablet or ipad.

Once downloaded search for your chosen project name & logo then sign in to it with with the email address you gave the coordinator...

Click "add entry" and begin your first report.

Information such as location, time, date & photo are set automatically with one tap of the screen.

The questions have been optimised, you only need to tap the screen once per question to build an accurate description and estimate of the scale of the incident we need to score it accurately.

Congratulations you are ready to begin!



App & database

Once you have the app up and running play around with it, get used to using it so when you are on the river you can easily file a report.

You can delete any practice reports without uploading them.

When you have your first genuine report please upload it to the database including the photo file, it will be processed and placed on your project map by the coordinator.

If you don't have internet signal where you are don't worry, the details are saved provided you have allowed location permissions. Simply upload the report when you do have an internet signal.

Each project will have a dedicated facebook or whatsapp chat for support, advice and monitoring progress.



Health & Safety

Being part of a river influence project should be an enjoyable experience, it will help you to understand your river on a new level. Once you begin reporting entries you begin to realise that you are part of an in-depth project which will help to understand the river system like never before.

Your safety is important so please make sure you do not try to get too close for comfort to take a photo or investigate any events especially if you are alone, buddy up with someone else where possible and stay safe.

If you see something you cannot safely view from the banking do a report and comment at the end that this needs further investigation, if possible contact your local or closest angling club or association to organise a wilful angler to complete a full report. They will have good understanding of the river and the necessary kit to do the job safely.

Please be very careful on river banks, they can be very fragile and overhanging with no real substance below your feet due to erosion. Be safe at all times.