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DID YOU KNOW?

WATER ASSURANCE SCHEME

Up to 250KL of wastewater passes through Norfolk Island's wastewater treatment plant per day – that's 250,000 litres!

The Water Assurance Scheme is Norfolk Island's sewerage system that connects approximately 230 premises to the sewer network. The network consists of seven pump stations and over 100km of pipes directing sewage to the wastewater treatment plant. The treatment plant is located between the Waste Management Centre and the Airport. If your premises is connected to the Water Assurance Scheme, every item that is flushed down the toilet, shower, sink, laundry will pass through the system. Most solid materials are manually removed from the wastewater treatment plant before the wastewater passes through a treatment process then discharged to the ocean at Headstone.

Similar to a septic system – do not put sanitary items down the toilet and be mindful of what is washed down your drains. Choose biodegradable detergents, avoid bleach and disinfectants where possible, and if you have the ability to reuse the island's precious water resource we encourage you to do so. However, ensure your detergents and cleaning products will not have an adverse effect on the receiving environment or treat your grey water to a sufficient level before it is released.

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