

10 June 2024

Press Statement – St. Helen’s Beach “Do not Swim Notices”.

Wexford County Council wishes to advise the public that “Do not swim” notices have been issued for St. Helen’s Beach, Co. Wexford.

Testing conducted as part of the Council’s normal monitoring of bathing water quality showed elevated levels for E. Coli bacteria at St. Helen’s Beach. Following consultation with the HSE, it is necessary to issue “Do not swim” warning notices at the above beach in accordance with the Bathing Water Quality Regulations 2008 and in the interest of public health.

Further samples have been taken today and results are expected on Wednesday 12th June at which stage the bathing prohibition notices will be reviewed. In addition, the Council’s Environmental Technical Team are investigating the matter.

Bathing water quality results for 19 Wexford beaches sampled over the 2024 to date bathing season, have been mainly excellent as published on the EPA operated website www.Beaches.ie

Wexford County Council advises members of the public visiting the above beach to please abide by the public notices advising against swimming.

Further updates will be issued through the media and via the Council’s website

<https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/environment>

More information on bathing water quality can be obtained on www.beaches.ie

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