friends of the **RIB&QUIN**

Chalk streams are incredibly important and globally rare environment with a unique ecology.

They are our 'Amazon rainforests' and support some of our most iconic and well-loved wildlife, including trout, kingfisher, water vole and mayfly.







There are no more than 280 of these streams and rivers in the world, several of which are in Hertfordshire, including;

- River Stort
- River Ash
- River Rib
- River Quin
- River BeaneRiver Mimram
- River Hiz
- River Ivel
- River Bulbourne
- River Lea
- River Chess
 - River Ver

Our chalk streams are all suffering from low flow levels due to over abstraction by water companies and pollution from urban and agricultural run-off as well as treated and untreated sewage.

Friends of the Rib & Quin is an organisation focused on protecting and improving the habitats and environment of the River Rib and River Quin to the benefit of wildlife and the local community.

If you're a landowner, member of a local group/organisation, or individual interested in finding out more about how you might get involved in protecting and improving your local river, we'd love to hear from you! Visit our website and subscribe to our newsletter, drop us an email at FORQcomms@gmail.com and come and get your feet wet!



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"We have some of the rarest ecosystems in the world in Hertfordshire and they are under threat"

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