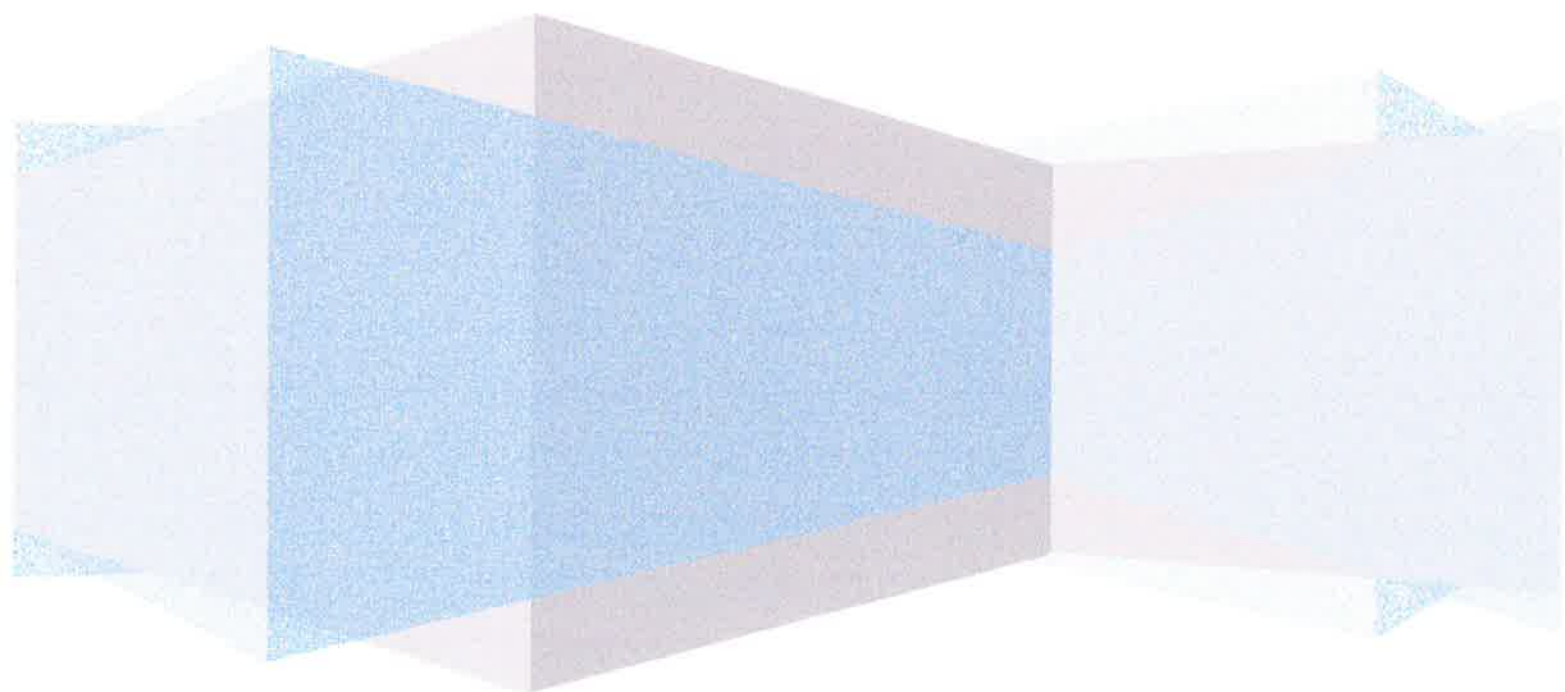


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Non-Technical summary of proposed changes at Hoseley Bank Farm, Marford, Wrexham

Hoseley Bank Farm currently operates 4 poultry houses which are utilised for broiler production, the current number of places at the farm is set at 90,799.

Following damage caused by Storm Arwen in November 2021, significant structural and roof damage was caused to Poultry House 2 which necessitated major repairs and refurbishment.

It was fortunate that at the time of the storm all the poultry houses were empty therefore there was no environmental, pollution or bird welfare risk.

Following the incident, the poultry unit continued to operate at reduced stocking levels utilising the remaining 3 poultry houses.

During the reconstruction process, Planning Permission was sought and obtained for the extension of the damaged shed. Production at Shed 1 and 2 ceased whilst facility upgrading was undertaken and, subsequently, poultry production has ceased until all the works are completed with an indicative return to production in mid-October 2022.

As such, the damaged shed was effectively totally re-built including the following features:-

- A new roof
- Extension of the shed to equal the length of Shed 3
- Installation of 9, new, energy efficient roof ridge fans to replace the 15 old side wall extraction fans
- Installation of 4, new, energy efficient gable end wall fans to replace the existing ageing 2 gable end fans
- An upgraded LED lighting system
- A computerised misting system to improve bird welfare and improve water usage efficiency
- New, improved efficiency wall- and roof insulation (Rockwool- Building Regulations approved)

In addition to the above works, the opportunity was taken to replace the roof- and wall insulation in Shed 1 and install the computer controlled misting units in Sheds 3 and 4.

The works have been undertaken in accordance with BAT and are part of the ongoing commitment to improve resource efficiency works at the Poultry unit.

There are no proposals to increase stocking levels at the Permitted Site, the works undertaken will improve upon the existing extremely high standards of bird welfare in terms

of bird space availability, maintaining the optimum environmental conditions within the poultry houses, improve efficiency in terms of energy and water usage and also reduce the risk to the crop due to climate change, particularly related to high summer temperatures.

The Site Layout Plan has also been updated to recognise the increase in number of LPG tanks at the site.

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