

Natural Resources Wales permitting decisions

Hoseley Farms Limited (Hoseley Bank Poultry Farm) Decision Document

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We have decided to issue variation for Hoseley Bank Poultry Farm operated by Hoseley Farms Limited.

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the permit will ensure that the appropriate level of environmental protection is provided.

Purpose of this document

This decision document:

- explains how the application has been determined
- provides a record of the decision-making process
- shows how all relevant factors have been taken into account
- justifies the specific conditions in the permit other than those in our generic permit template.

Unless the decision document specifies otherwise we have accepted the applicant's proposals.

1 Overview of variation

Following damage to Poultry Shed 2 during Storm Arwen the Operator has completed complete refurbishment and rebuilding of Shed 2 they have completed the following:

- Replacement of 15 side wall extraction fans with 9 roof ridge fans
- Replacement of 2 gable end fans by 4 gable end wall fans
- Replacement of existing air inlets with 66 air inlet vents
- New roof
- Extension of shed 2 to equal the length of Shed 3
- Upgraded LED lighting system
- Computerised misting system to improve bird welfare and water usage efficiency

- Improved wall and roof insulation

There has also been other changes at the site not due to the storm damage:

- Replacement of roof and wall insulation in Shed 1
- Installation of computer controlled misting units in Sheds 3 and 4
- Number of LPG storage tanks have increased

There are no changes to the bird numbers at the site due to the variation. All upgrading works have been completed in line with Best Available Techniques (BAT) and provide resource efficiencies at the site in addition to improved bird welfare.

There is no change to the installation boundary due to the variation.

To incorporate these changes into the permits, the emission points in Table S3.2 for Shed 2 and the LPG storage tanks have been amended. We have also added an operating technique to Table S1.2 to incorporate the application and ensure the facility is operated in line with the detail provided in the application.

2 Legislation

NRW is satisfied that this decision is compatible with its general purpose of pursuing the sustainable management of natural resources in relation to Wales and applying the principles of sustainable management of natural resources. All applicable European directives have been considered in the determination of the application.

3 Our determination

We have reviewed the Operator's operating techniques and infrastructure proposed by the Operator. We do not consider any risk assessments are required for replacement of the fans on Shed 2 as the replacement with modern efficient equipment is likely to lead to better dispersion of the emissions. The refurbishment will lead to optimum environmental conditions being maintained within the shed which in turn will control emissions of ammonia and odour.

Operating techniques

We have reviewed the techniques used by the operator and compared these with the relevant guidance notes. We consider them to represent appropriate techniques for the facility. The refurbishment of Shed 2 and the improvements made to Sheds 3 and 4 will lead to water use reductions and energy usage reductions therefore we are satisfied they represent BAT for the site.