

Date: **21 September 2018**

Our ref: [REDACTED]



Natural England
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SpecialistLicensing@naturalengland.org.uk

Dear Licence Holder,

**PROTECTION OF BADGERS ACT 1992, Badger Disease Control licence, [REDACTED],
Authorisation letter**

In accordance with conditions 1 and 2 of your licence I am writing to notify you of our findings in relation to the outstanding items listed in condition 2(a) to (f) as follows:

- (a) On the basis of the information provided by you we are satisfied that sufficient funds have been deposited to cover the cost of completing the cull;
- (b) The date on which culling may start this year is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
If you start on a later date due to operational reasons please inform us.
- (c) Those persons authorised to take or kill badgers under this licence are listed in the attached list of Additional Authorised Persons, dated 10 September 2018 (and as subsequently revised);
- (d) The minimum number of badgers that you should aim to kill within the licence area during this open season is 327;
- (e) The maximum number of badgers which may be killed within the licence area by all permitted methods during this open season is 565;
- (f) We are satisfied that approximately 90% of the land within the licence area is either accessible or within 200m of accessible land.

Please note the following important points:

- (i) Natural England will keep under review all available evidence as to the level of the population and will monitor the culling operations. Natural England will, if appropriate, provide further advice on the level of culling effort and badger removal required to achieve an effective cull.
- (ii) Only those individuals listed in the list of Additional Authorised Persons are permitted to undertake any licensed operations by or on behalf of the License Holder. Any changes to the Additional Authorised Persons schedule should be notified to Natural England in writing for consideration.

If you have any queries about this notification please contact the specialist licensing team at specialistlicensing@naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours,

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for and on behalf of Natural England