

Permitting decisions- Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for Henley Manor Poultry Farm operated by Mr John Diaper and Mr David Diaper (trading as J W Diaper & Sons).

The permit number is EPR/SP3700BN.

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid any pollution risk and to return the site to a satisfactory state. We consider in reaching this decision that we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

Purpose of this document

This decision document provides a record of the decision-making process. It:

- highlights key issues in the determination
- summarises the decision-making process in the <u>decisions considerations</u> section to show how all relevant factors have been taken into account

Read the permitting decisions in conjunction with the environmental permit.

Key issues of the decision

This is a broiler farm which for many years has been operating under Environmental Permitting Regulations (EPR) for rearing of poultry intensively at an installation with more than 40,000 places.

The Operator has confirmed the site has completely closed down and will no longer be an intensive farm and the owner has applied for change of usage. Therefore, the farm will no longer need to be permitted under EPR.

The site inspector has inspected the site to confirm the site is closed and does not pose any risk of pollution. All evidence of poultry, feed, chemicals, fuel, manure, litter and wastewater have been removed from the site. The poultry houses and farm yard areas have been cleaned.

Decision considerations

Confidential information

A claim for commercial or industrial confidentiality has not been made.

The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on confidentiality.

Identifying confidential information

We have not identified information provided as part of the application that we consider to be confidential.

The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on confidentiality.

Pollution risk

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility.

Satisfactory state

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state, having regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.

Growth duty

We have considered our duty to have regard to the desirability of promoting economic growth set out in section 108(1) of the Deregulation Act 2015 and the guidance issued under section 110 of that Act in deciding whether to accept this permit surrender.