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Wrexham County Borough Council
The Guildhall
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Dyddiad/Date: 15 April 2025

Dear Sharon Holman,

**BWRIAD/PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF MANURE STORE**

**LLEOLIAD/LOCATION: LAND AT, HIGHER LANES, ISCOYD, WHITCHURCH, SY13 3AZ**

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 26 March 2025.

**We have no objection to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.**

**Pollution of Controlled Waters**

We note the amended drawing "Proposed Plan & Elevations, Roger Parry & Partners, 80273 / GD / 100, Revision A, 11th March 2025". The drawing notes that the floor and walls will be constructed of impermeable concrete, and the building will be designed and built to the standards of Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021 (CoAPR). The building includes a "sleeping policeman" to contain effluent.

Any organic manure (other than slurry) must be stored in a vessel; in a covered building; on an impermeable surface; or in a free-standing temporary field heap to meet the requirements of the Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021 (CoAPR).

Under the CoAPR. anyone who intends to spread organic manure on the holding must produce and maintain a risk map which highlights the areas on which spreading may cause pollution, including buffer zones and surface waters. Sites suitable for field heaps should be marked if manure is to be stored in temporary field heaps.

Any slurry (as defined under CoAPR) generated must be stored in compliance with the construction and capacity requirements in CoAPR.

All manure (and/or slurry) produced should be stored and used in compliance with The Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021, Natural Resources Wales / How to use manures and slurries appropriately and Code of Good Agricultural Practice guidance.

**Protected Sites**

We note the application site is within the catchment of the River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC). In line with our *Advice to Planning Authorities for Planning Applications Affecting Nutrient Sensitive River Special Areas of Conservation* (28 June 2024), under the Habitats Regulations, Planning Authorities must consider the impact of proposed developments on water quality within SAC river catchments.

However, the application as submitted is unlikely to increase the amount of nutrients entering the catchment. Therefore, we are satisfied that the proposal is not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC.

Please note, any manure produced must be managed (storage and application to land) in line with The Code of Good Agricultural Practice (CoGAP) for the Protection of Water, Soil and Air for Wales. If manure is managed correctly then the application as submitted is unlikely to increase the amount of nutrients entering the catchment. Therefore, we are satisfied that the proposal is not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC.

**Protected Species**

We note that there is no information about protected species with the application, and therefore are assuming that your Authority has screened the application and concluded that there is not a reasonable likelihood of protected species being present.

**Other Matters**

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters included on our checklist, *Development Planning Advisory Service: Consultation Topics* (September 2018), which is published on our website. We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests.

We advise the applicant that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure they secure all other permits/consents/licences relevant to their development. Please refer to our website for further details.

If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yn gywir / Yours faithfully,

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