

The Director and/or Secretary
Wyke Farms Ltd
White House Farm
Wyke Champflower
Bruton
Somerset
BA10 0PU

Our ref: EPR/BQ1824IV/V004

Date: 27/01/2023

Dear Emily Shann Pitts

We need more information about your application and underpayment of application charge

Application reference: EPR/BQ1824IV/V004

Operator: Wyke Farms Ltd

Facility: Wyke Farmhouse Cheese

Thank you for your application received on 17/01/2022. The following is to confirm our conversation of 25/01/2023.

Unfortunately the application payment you sent is incorrect. The correct application charge is £19,578, which is made up of the normal variation fee for a Section 6.8 activity (£6,992), plus the substantial variation fee for a Section 5.4 biological treatment activity (£12,586). No Habitats assessment fee is required for this application, however you have already paid for one at a cost of £779. This amount will be deducted from the remaining balance, meaning that the final balance left to pay is **£6,214.**

I need to ask you for some missing information before I can do any more work on your application. Please provide us with the following information:

1. An updated Site Condition Report, which must include details about the area of land being surrendered and how it has been left in a satisfactory condition. You should refer to the Environment Agency H5 guidance: site condition report – guidance and templates, available here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environmental-permitting-h5-site-condition-report>
2. The Environment Agency undertakes the modelling to determine the environmental impacts for sanitary pollutants being discharged to a watercourse. Therefore representative monitoring data from the past three years (or longer if insufficient data is available) for the discharge from W1 for the pollutants listed in table 2.2.5 of permit EPR/BQ1824IV/V003 and also for iron must be supplied. This must be at least 36 data sets from separate samples. Guidance on how sanitary pollutants are assessed can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/h1-annex-d2-assessment-of-sanitary-and-other-pollutants-in-surface-water-discharges>

Please send the information, quoting the above application reference, to:

Email address: psc@environment-agency.gov.uk and cc in myself
alex.sutton@environment-agency.gov.uk

Postal address:

Permitting and Support Centre
Quadrant 2
99 Parkway Avenue
Parkway Business Park
Sheffield
S9 4WF

Please send the information and payment within 15 working days of this letter. Details of how to pay are given in Part F of the application form.

If we do not receive the information and payment within 15 working days we will return your application.

If we do receive the requested information and payment within 15 working days, we'll continue to check your application. We'll check to see if there's enough information for the application to be 'duly made'. Duly made means that we have all the information we need to begin determination. Determination is where we assess your application and decide if we can allow what you've asked for.

We'll let you know by letter whether your application can be duly made. If it can't be duly made, we'll return your application to you.

If we do have to return your application we'll send you a partial refund of your application payment. We'll retain 20% of the application charge to cover our costs in reviewing your application and requesting information. This maximum amount we'll retain is capped at £1,500. Further information on charging can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environmental-permitting-charging-scheme-2019>

If you have any questions please phone me on 07789272040 or email
alex.sutton@environment-agency.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Alex Sutton
Senior Permitting Officer