# **Kirsty Trafford**

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**Sent:** 12 June 2025 06:57 **To:** Kirsty Trafford

**Subject:** RE: Application EPR/NP3025LW/A001 - Oak Tree Farm - We Need More

Information About Your Application

**Attachments:** Alfred Penty.pdf; Jennifer Penty.pdf; PF-R05-F2.pdf; PF-R06-F2.pdf; Shan

Penty.pdf

Hi Kirsty,

Thank you for your email. Please find responses against your request for further information below, in blue text for ease of reference. Please let me know if you require any further information.

- Application Form B3.5 Question 14 Declaration -We need to have a declaration filled in and dated for each partner. Please provide completed declaration pages for the other 3 partners. Attached are completed declaration sections for each Partner.
- 2. **Feed milling:-** The Installation Information document states that feed will be milled on site, please provide the following further information:
  - Provide an overview of the milling (and mixing) process undertaken on site, including
    the daily throughput. Raw materials of grain, soy, minerals, limestone and soy oil are
    delivered and stored internally on farm. The grain is milled then other feed ingredients
    added and raw materials mixed together. The mixed feed material is then discharged
    directly into the feed silos. Daily throughput is typically 6tonne / day.
  - 2. Explain measures to minimise emissions (eg, dust, cleaning effluent) from the feed milling operations at the installation.

The following control measures are in place to minimise dust emissions from the feed milling operation -

- 1. All dusty or potentially dusty feedstuff materials are delivered and transferred in sealed containers.
- 2. Feedstuff materials are stored in covered containers within a building.
- 3. Building doors are kept closed when feed is being milled.
- 4. Milled feed is transferred via pipework to feed silo.

- 5. Mill and equipment is dry bushed on a daily basis to minimise the build-up of materials with the potential. No effluent is generated by the process.
- 6. Spillages are cleared immediately by dry bushing.

Note: Please include details of how the feed milling building is sealed and how dusty air within the building is dealt with, to prevent a release of dust to air or surface water. Include the disposal route for any effluent if applicable.

- 3. Confirm whether the feed from the onsite milling is predominantly going to the farm for its own use or if also providing a service for other farms. Feed from the onsite milling is only used on farm.
- 4. Ensure the feed mill is indicated on the site plan, as well as any emission points if applicable. Please find attached an updated site plan to include the feed mill.

#### 3. Egg packaging station:

- 1. Please confirm what any effluent resulting from the egg packing area is likely to consist of, maximum volumes of the effluent per day and how it is disposed of. No effluent is generated by the packing processes / within the packing area.
- 2. Ensure the egg packaging station is indicated on the site plan. Please find attached an updated site plan to include the egg packing station.

### 4. Site layout plan

Confirm the purpose of the other buildings shown on the site plan and label as required. Please find attached the updated site plan to mark these buildings as grain stores / machinery shed.

### 5. Site Condition Report (SCR):

The SCR states that the report format is Site Details, Condition of Land at Permit Issue and Permitted Activities – on the version on our system, I can't see the Permitted Activities section. Please clarify if the full version of the SCR has been provided or provide an updated version. Please find attached the updated Site Condition Report to include the 'Permitted Activities' Table

### 6. Standby generator - please confirm the following:

- 1. The total hours of testing per annum e.g. 50 hours per annum, or 1 hour maximum per week. Total hours of testing is 1 hour maximum per week.
- 2. Whether the generator is only used for emergency power supply use, where mains power has gone down, for less than 500 hours per annum, including testing. The generator is only used for emergency power supply use, where mains power has gone down, for less than 500 hours per annum, including testing.

### Kind Regards

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From: Kirsty Trafford <kirsty.Trafford@environment-agency.gov.uk>

Sent: 11 June 2025 13:43

To: Edward <edward@awsmfarms.co.uk>

Subject: Application EPR/NP3025LW/A001 - Oak Tree Farm - We Need More Information About Your

Application

Dear Edward.

Application reference: EPR/NP3025LW/A001 Operator: Penty Farming - Partnership

Facility: Oak Tree Farm

Thank you for your application received on 24/04/2025.

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

# 1. Application Form B3.5 - Question 14 - Declaration

We need to have a declaration filled in and dated for each partner. Please provide completed declaration pages for the other 3 partners.

Note: Ensure a relevant person makes the declaration. A relevant person means each individual applicant (or individual trustee) who is applying for their name to appear on the permit; each person must complete this declaration so you will have to print a separate copy of this page for each additional individual to complete.

### 2. Feed milling:

The Installation Information document states that feed will be milled on site, please provide the following further information:

- a) Provide an overview of the milling (and mixing) process undertaken on site, including the daily throughput.
- b) Explain measures to minimise emissions (eg, dust, cleaning effluent) from the feed milling operations at the installation.
  - Note: Please include details of how the feed milling building is sealed and how dusty air within the building is dealt with, to prevent a release of dust to air or surface water. Include the disposal route for any effluent if applicable.
- c) Confirm whether the feed from the onsite milling is predominantly going to the farm for its own use or if also providing a service for other farms.
- d) Ensure the feed mill is indicated on the site plan, as well as any emission points if applicable.

### 3. Egg packaging station:

- a) Please confirm what any effluent resulting from the egg packing area is likely to consist of, maximum volumes of the effluent per day and how it is disposed of.
- b) Ensure the egg packaging station is indicated on the site plan.

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Confirm the purpose of the other buildings shown on the site plan and label as required.

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- b) Whether the generator is only used for emergency power supply use, where mains power has gone down, for less than 500 hours per annum, including testing.

You must send us the information by 25/06/2025.

If we do not receive this by this deadline we will return your application.

If we receive what is missing by the deadline, we will 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 email whether your application can be duly made. If it can't be duly made, we'll return your application to you.

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Note: Our email system has a file size limit of 25MB, if your returns exceed this limit you will have to arrange an online file transfer. Please ensure the file transfer link does not have a time limit on it.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Kind regards, Kirsty

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