



Appendix 1: Non-Technical Summary

Dairy House Farm

Dairy House Farm is owned by a small family company, Boarcross Ltd, and is applying for a permit of 10,040 30kg + progeny pigs. This is an increase from 4000 and also involves 2000 pigs that would be placed in a new building, that would replace old ones.

The farm is situated on Daisy Hill Lane near Burstwick and is sat 200m up a drive on the roadside. There are two dykes (one through the eastern edge of the farm and one along the south) but there are no SSSI's in close proximity of the farm: the farm is in a NVZ for surface water.

Electricity is mainly provided on farm by mains. Usage mainly used by a water pump lights and feeders. The majority of water is sourced from a bore hole, which is alarmed and tested, although at peak capacity- or in an emergency- mains is used.

Biocides are stored in a locked storage room and waste, and used products, are sent through permitted companies.

Disinfectant is mixed with slurry, stored in the lagoon. There is a foot dip at the entrance of the farm with disinfectant in: disinfectant and detergent are also used when washing out, on average once a year. Round up is the only pesticide used (for spraying around the yard), it is stored in a locked container, sprayed using a napsac, and applied twice during the summer by qualified personnel.

Diesel is supplied by AMK fuels and stored in impermeable, bunded, containers. There are shut off valves on the tank for filling up farm vehicles. The bund acts as a barrier to prevent collisions.

There is a kerosene and red diesel tank on site- both are bunded and checked annually. There are 2 gas cylinders on site holding propane.

Straw is stored on site between an outside area and a barn. It is bought in by a local farmer annually. Vermin control is done by trained farm staff in accordance with the vermin control plan.

We have no slurry on site, however we do have water that is contaminated by muck (through scrapethroughs or washing). Wash and scrapethrough water is sent to sealed collection tanks and then tankered off: this includes the run off from the midden. The lagoons that were on site are no longer in use. The rainwater and yard run off water flows through impermeable drains to the dykes to the east and south. Roofwater is not currently collected but this is being looked at.

All incidents are reported in a management diary. There has never been any complaints about the farm.

All pigs are stored in straw pens, that are naturally ventilated- the majority are scrape-through and mucked out two/three times a week. Pigs come in at about 30kg and leave at about 125kg. They are usually sexed and kept at RSPCA standards. The largest shed has pigs in at 100/pen.

Currently, all feed is purchased, from ABN, with diets formulated with optimum protein levels and fed in controlled quantities to match the requirements of the growing pig. All rations are blown directly into feed silos where it is stored. Feed is moved to buildings in augers or chain and disk. Any food spillage is immediately removed. Water is provided through drip feed bite drinkers- where possible they have lips to catch any leakage.

All carcasses are stored in a sealed container and are then incinerated on site, or if not running, a contractor, Lawlors of Thirsk. He visits weekly and is met on the drive for transfer.

There is a herd health plan that is monitored and supplied by the Garth Vet and the whole site is Red Tractor and RSPCA assured. All medicines and vaccinations follow a strict programme and stored in locked container/fridge. Any unused medicines are back loaded through the vet.

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Summary of changes from existing permit:

- Increase production / store (bought in) pigs to a capacity of 10000.
- It our intention in the future to build another 2000 space straw shed (building number 13 on site plan)
- Carcass incinerator added to site.