

News story: Asian hornet: Fowey nest destroyed as two new sightings confirmed in Liskeard and Hull

The National Bee Unit has called for the public to report any suspected Asian hornets after two further confirmed sightings in Liskeard, Cornwall and Hull, east Yorkshire. At this stage, there is no evidence to suggest the Cornwall and Hull sightings are linked.

The Asian hornet is smaller than our native hornet and poses no greater risk to human health than a bee. However, they do pose a risk to honey bees and work is already underway to identify any nests in the Liskeard and Hull areas, which includes deploying bee inspectors to visit local beekeepers and setting up monitoring traps.

As part of this work, bee inspectors from APHA National Bee Unit are carrying out surveillance and monitoring in a 1-2 km radius around the sightings.

The hornets in Fowey were first discovered earlier in September and the National Bee Unit moved swiftly to find the nest and remove it. During September the number of hornets in a nest can reach a peak and this will increase the chances of seeing an insect.

Nicola Spence, Defra Deputy Director for Plant and Bee Health, said:

These sightings in Liskeard and Hull underline the need to remain vigilant. I want to encourage people to look out for any Asian hornet nests and if you think you've spotted one, please report your sighting through the Asian hornet app or online.

While the Asian Hornet poses no greater risk to human health than a bee, we recognise the damage they can cause to honey bee colonies. I am therefore pleased our well-established protocol to contain them has worked so effectively in Fowey.

If you suspect you have seen an Asian hornet you can report this using the iPhone and Android app 'Asian Hornet Watch' or by emailing alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk. [Identification guides and more information are available.](#)

Background

- Members of the public can also report sightings by email to alertnonnative@ceh.ac.uk with a photo or on the Great Britain Non-native Species Secretariat website.
- The Great Britain Non-native Species Secretariat is a joint venture

between Defra, the Scottish Government and the Welsh Government to tackle the threat of invasive species. More information can be found on their [website](#).

- For details on the appearance of an Asian hornet please can be found on [Bee Base guide](#) or the [non-native species identification guide](#).
 - Photographs of the Asian hornet are available on our [Flickr](#) account
 - The cost of eradication on private land will be met by APHA.
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These directions relate to [The Scotland Act 2016, Wales Act 2017 and Onshore Petroleum \(Consequential, Transitional and Saving Provisions and Model Clauses\) Regulations 2018](#), which come into force on 1 October 2018.

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Form: Monthly Shellfish Activity Return (MSAR 1)

Vessels are required to complete the monthly return form.

Those masters of the above vessels already completing an EU logbook as a

record of their fishing activity can continue to do so, and will not be required to complete the form, as long as all trips within that month are submitted via the logbook.

Masters of vessels who commence logbook completion during part of the month will be required to submit a MSAR 1 form detailing the catch for the month prior to the date they commence completing the logbook.

The form must be completed daily, and must be submitted to the nearest [MMO coastal office](#) no later than the 15 day of the following calendar month. Nil returns are also required.

[Local office addresses and contact details](#)

Notice: NN3 9BX, SJB Recycling Limited: environmental permit surrender issued

The Environment Agency publish surrenders that they issue under the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED).

This decision includes the surrender letter and decision document for:

- Operator name: SJB Recycling Limited
- Installation name: Great Billing Composting Facility
- Permit number: EPR/WP3692EK/S003