

Scottish killer whale contained one of the highest concentrations of PCB pollutants ever recorded in marine mammals

The Scottish Marine Animal Stranding Scheme, managed by SRUC, has found that a killer whale found dead on Tiree had one of the highest levels of polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) pollution ever recorded.

Form: Farming Ammonia Reduction Grant Scheme: claim form and offer terms

Updated: Added new claim form. Amended section 7: How to get paid

The scheme closed for applications on 31 January 2017.

How to claim

You must [register the land](#) on which you're carrying out capital works by 31 July 2017, if it's not already registered on the Rural Land Register.

Send your [claim form](#) to [Natural England](#) by 31 July 2017.

You'll get paid for completed capital works by 30 September 2017.

Use the:

- [specification for installing slurry store and lagoon covers](#)
- [guidance for scheme details](#)

You can:

- start approved works on or after the date you signed and returned your offer letter
- claim for agreed capital items as soon as work is complete and paid for in full
- only submit one [claim form](#)

You can't claim for:

- hire purchase payments
- works not finished and paid for by the claim deadline
- capital items not covered under your offer

Contact Natural England

Farming Ammonia Reduction Grant Scheme

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Notice: SY5 900, Mr Peter Hemmings, Mr Timothy Hemmings and Mr Robert Hemmings: environmental permit issued

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

This decision includes the permit and decision document and for:

- Operator name: Mr Peter Hemmings, Mr Timothy Hemmings and Mr Robert Hemmings
 - Installation name: Silverdale Farm Poultry Unit
 - Permit number: EPR/EP3137MV/V005
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[Press release: New air quality plan published for consultation](#)

The government today published a draft plan to improve air quality by reducing nitrogen dioxide levels in the UK.

The options now open for [consultation on reducing nitrogen dioxide in our towns and cities](#) are designed to reduce the impact of diesel vehicles, and accelerate the move to cleaner transport.

Local authorities are already responsible for improving air quality in their area, but will now be expected to develop new and creative solutions to reduce emissions as quickly as possible, while avoiding undue impact on the motorist.

The government is consulting on a range of measures that could be taken to mitigate the impact of action to improve air quality.

In line with the timetable directed by the Courts the government is seeking views on these proposals in advance of preparing its final plan for publication by 31 July. All final decisions will be taken by the incoming government.

This consultation will run until 15 June.

[Consultation outcome: Improving air quality: reducing nitrogen dioxide in our towns and cities](#)

Updated: Liverpool City Region Combined Authority was omitted as a respondent to the consultation therefore the response document now reflects their contribution.

We want to know what you think about our draft plan to improve air quality in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The draft plan sets out proposed actions to meet air quality standards within the shortest possible time.

This consultation includes the following documents:

- draft UK Air Quality Plan for tackling nitrogen dioxide ('Improving air

- quality in the UK: tackling nitrogen dioxide in our towns and cities')
- technical report, including details of modelling techniques and assumptions used in the draft UK Air Quality Plan for tackling nitrogen dioxide

Alongside the consultation we have also published the following:

- framework document: [Clean air zone framework for England \(principles which Local Authorities should follow when setting up clean air zones\)](#)
- summary of responses to the [Implementation of Clean Air Zones in England](#) consultation