

## **P-06-1263 Control pollution from agriculture in the parts of the Wye and Severn River located in Wales**

This petition was submitted by Keith Clarke, having collected a total of 118 signatures.

### **Text of Petition:**

1. Introduce an immediate moratorium of any new intensive poultry units in the Wye and Severn catchment areas located in Wales.
2. Strictly control manure spreading according to the phosphate load in the ground
3. Monitor phosphate levels
4. Take legal action against any breaches of pollution legislation.

### **Additional Information:**

Water quality and biodiversity has declined in both rivers in recent years because of high levels of nitrates and phosphates leading algae blooms. This has led to a significant loss in biodiversity. Pollution from agricultural run off in particular that from intensive poultry units (IPUs) is the single most important cause of the increased pollution in these river systems. Stringent control of pollution from farms is urgently needed to prevent an ecological catastrophe.

### **Senedd Constituency and Region**

- Montgomeryshire
- Mid and West Wales