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Owner/Occupier
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Denbighshire
Post Code

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Dear Sir, Madam

ALLEGED NUISANCE BIRD FEEDING – ADDRESS, POST CODE

We have received a complaint **alleging** the existence of a nuisance caused by feeding the birds in the above area on a regular basis, specifically Pigeons and Seagulls.

This matter has now been referred to our section as there is now new legislation under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 to deal with nuisance behaviour which is detrimental to people in the community. This is an **advisory letter** only at this stage but if there is evidence of a persistent and continuing problem we may seek to take formal action.

Birds such as pigeons, seagulls and other larger species (jackdaws, crows etc) may cause annoyance or nuisance to people because of the noise they create, the damage they can cause to buildings and the fact that they spread disease through their droppings. In addition to this, an aspect that gives concern for public health is that when food is put out for birds, vermin such as rats are also encouraged to the area.

We appreciate that people like to feed birds but would request that food put out is only for the attraction of small garden birds and not the larger varieties likely to cause nuisance. Advice is available from the RSPB website: www.rspb.org.uk/makeahomeforwildlife/advice/helpingbirds.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further please contact us on the details above.

Yours sincerely

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