Scottish Government

DECLARATION OF END OF PROTECTION ZONE

On 19 December 2020 the Scottish Ministers, under article 26(1) of the Avian Influenza and Influenza of Avian Origin in Mammals (Scotland) Order 2006 ("the Order") declared, with effect from 20 December 2020, a Protection Zone and Surveillance Zone centred on the infected premises, or part of those premises, designated in Annex 1.

At least 21 days have elapsed since the completion at all infected premises, in the Protection Zone declared, of the preliminary cleansing and disinfection measures referred to in Part 2 of schedule 3 of the Order; and a veterinary inquiry has been completed at all premises identified as containing poultry or other captive birds within the Protection Zone

The Scottish Ministers declare, under article 34(1) of the Order, the end of the Protection Zone described in Annex 2 to the Declaration of 19 December 2020.

In accordance with article 34(2) of the Order the area which formed the Protection Zone becomes part of the Surveillance Zone described in Annex 3 to the Declaration of 19 December 2020. In all of the Surveillance Zone the measures set out in schedule 5 of the Order apply. The extent of the Surveillance Zone as now designated is described in Annex 2 to this Declaration, which also lists the measures set out in schedule 5 of the Order.

The Surveillance Zone is marked on the map in Annex 3.

This Declaration has effect from the time and date on which it is made, until it is amended or revoked by further declaration.

Signed

BEN MACPHERSON

Made at Time: 10 : 00 hours (a.m/~~p.m~~) Date: 12 January 2021

Authorised to sign by the Scottish Ministers

Failure to comply with this Declaration may be an offence under section 72 or 73 of the Animal Health Act 1981.

Copies of this Declaration and of the Order are available at www.gov.scot/avianinfluenza and from the Scottish Government Agriculture and Rural Delivery Directorate, St. Andrew's House, Regent Road, Edinburgh, EH1 3DG.

Annex 1

Infected Premises

The infected premises are the premises known as West Langamay Farm, Sanday, Orkney, Orkney Islands KW17 2BP.

Annex 2

The Surveillance Zone

The Surveillance Zone is that part of Scotland contained within a circle with a radius of 10 kilometres, centred on grid reference HY 74890 44284. The Surveillance Zone is the area within the circle on the map in Annex 3

Measures applicable in the Surveillance Zone

Record keeping and duty to inform the Scottish Ministers of birds' change in health

1. The occupier of any premises must make a record of–

(a) the name and address of any person visiting the premises (unless the visit is only to a part of the premises where people live and where no poultry or other captive birds are kept);

(b) the date of the visit;

(c) whether the person had any contact with poultry or other captive birds on the premises.

2. The occupier of any such premises must keep a record of all poultry entering or leaving those premises.

3. Every person who is engaged in the transport or marketing of poultry or poultry eggs must keep a record of all poultry and poultry eggs transported or marketed by that person.

4. The records referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) must include–

(a) the quantity and description (including species of poultry and type of egg) transported or marketed;

(b) in the case of movement from premises–

(i) the date of the movement off the premises;

(ii) the premises of destination (if known);

(iii) the name and address of the person to whom ownership or possession is being or has been transferred;

(c) in the case of movement onto premises–

(i) the date of the movement on to the premises;

(ii) the premises from which the movement originated (if known);

(iii) the name and address of the person from whom ownership or possession is being or has been transferred;

(d) in the case of marketing without an associated movement, the name and address of the person to whom and the date on which ownership was transferred;

(e) the identity and address of any such person.

5. Paragraphs 1 and 3 do not apply to–

(a) the retail distribution of eggs and movements subsequent to such distribution; or

(b) the movement of people to zoos, wildlife parks or (unless required by the Scottish Ministers) any other premises open to the public, provided the public has no access to any area where birds are kept.

6. The occupier of any premises in the surveillance zone must maintain the following records–

(a) the number or approximate number of poultry (if any) on the premises;

(b) the number of poultry falling ill on the premises;

(c) the number of poultry dying on the premises;

(d) the amount of feed and, where possible, water being consumed by any poultry on the premises;

(e) any egg production on the premises.

Restrictions on the movement of poultry, other captive birds and mammals onto and off premises

7.—(1) No person shall move poultry, other captive birds or mammals of domestic species from or to premises within the surveillance zone, unless the movement is licensed by a veterinary inspector or by an inspector under the direction of a veterinary inspector.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply to pet mammals which–

(a) only have access to a part of the premises where people live;

(b) have no contact with poultry or other captive birds on the premises; and

(c) have no access to any cages or areas on the premises where poultry or other captive birds are kept.

Biosecurity measures

8. The occupier and any person entering or leaving premises where poultry, other captive birds or eggs are kept must–

(a) take appropriate biosecurity measures to reduce the risk of the spread of avian influenza to or from the premises; and

(b) comply with any biosecurity requirements which a veterinary inspector, by notice, imposes.

Litter, poultry manure and slurry

9. No person shall remove from premises in the zone or spread used poultry litter, poultry manure or poultry slurry unless licensed to do so by a veterinary inspector.

Gatherings of poultry

10. No person shall permit any poultry or other captive birds to be collected together at any fair, market, show, exhibition or other gathering.

Release of game

11. No person shall release game birds.

Restrictions on the movement of poultry and eggs within the surveillance zone

12. No person shall move any poultry or eggs within the surveillance zone (other than through the zone by road or rail without stopping), unless licensed to do so by a veterinary inspector.

13. Paragraph 12 does not apply to the retail distribution of eggs and movements subsequent to such distribution

14. A veterinary inspector must not grant a licence under paragraph 12 unless satisfied that the licensee will take appropriate biosecurity measures at the premises and the taking of these measures must be conditions of the licence.

15. A veterinary inspector may license the transport of poultry from outside the protection and surveillance zones to a designated slaughterhouse within the surveillance zone and subsequent movements of the meat derived from such poultry.

Restrictions on the movement of poultry and eggs out of the surveillance zone

16. No person shall move any poultry or eggs out of the surveillance zone, unless the movement is one of the following and is licensed by a veterinary inspector–

(a) poultry for slaughter (if the requirements of paragraph 18 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(b) day-old chicks hatched from eggs originating within the surveillance zone (if the requirements of paragraph 19 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(c) day-old chicks hatched from eggs originating outside the protection and surveillance zones (if the requirements of paragraph 20 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(d) ready-to-lay poultry to premises, or part of premises, where no poultry are kept if any licence conditions are met;

(e) hatching eggs from the zone–

(i) to a designated hatchery; or

`(ii) to a designated laboratory or institute for use for scientific, diagnostic or pharmaceutical purposes,

(if the requirements of paragraph 21 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(f) eggs to a designated packing centre (if the requirements of paragraph 22 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(g) eggs to premises for the manufacture of egg products (if the requirements of paragraph 23 and any additional licence conditions are met);

(h) eggs for disposal if any licence conditions are met.

17. Paragraph 16 does not apply to the retail distribution of eggs and movements subsequent to such distribution.

Requirements for the transport of poultry from premises in the surveillance zone for immediate slaughter at a designated slaughterhouse

18. Poultry must not be moved to a designated slaughterhouse unless a veterinary inspector has clinically examined poultry at the premises a maximum of 24 hours before they leave the premises.

Requirements for the movement of day-old chicks hatched from eggs produced within the surveillance zone or from eggs which have had contact with such eggs

19. Day-old chicks must not be moved unless any biosecurity measures laid down by a veterinary inspector are complied with.

Requirements for the movement of day-old chicks hatched from eggs originating outside the protection and surveillance zones

20. Day-old chicks hatched from eggs originating outside the protection and surveillance zones must not be moved unless the hatchery within the zone is operated in such a way that eggs from outside the zone do not come into contact with eggs or day old chicks from within the zone.

Requirements for the movement of hatching eggs from the zone to a designated hatchery, or to a designated laboratory or institute for use for scientific, diagnostic or pharmaceutical purposes

21. Hatching eggs must not be moved from the zone to any hatchery, laboratory or institute unless the eggs and their packaging are disinfected before they leave the premises.

Requirements for the movement of table eggs to a packing centre

22. Table eggs must not be transported to a designated packing centre unless–

(a) they are packed in disposable packaging; and

(b) any person transporting the eggs complies with any biosecurity measures laid down by a veterinary inspector.

Requirements for the movement of table eggs to premises for the manufacture of egg products

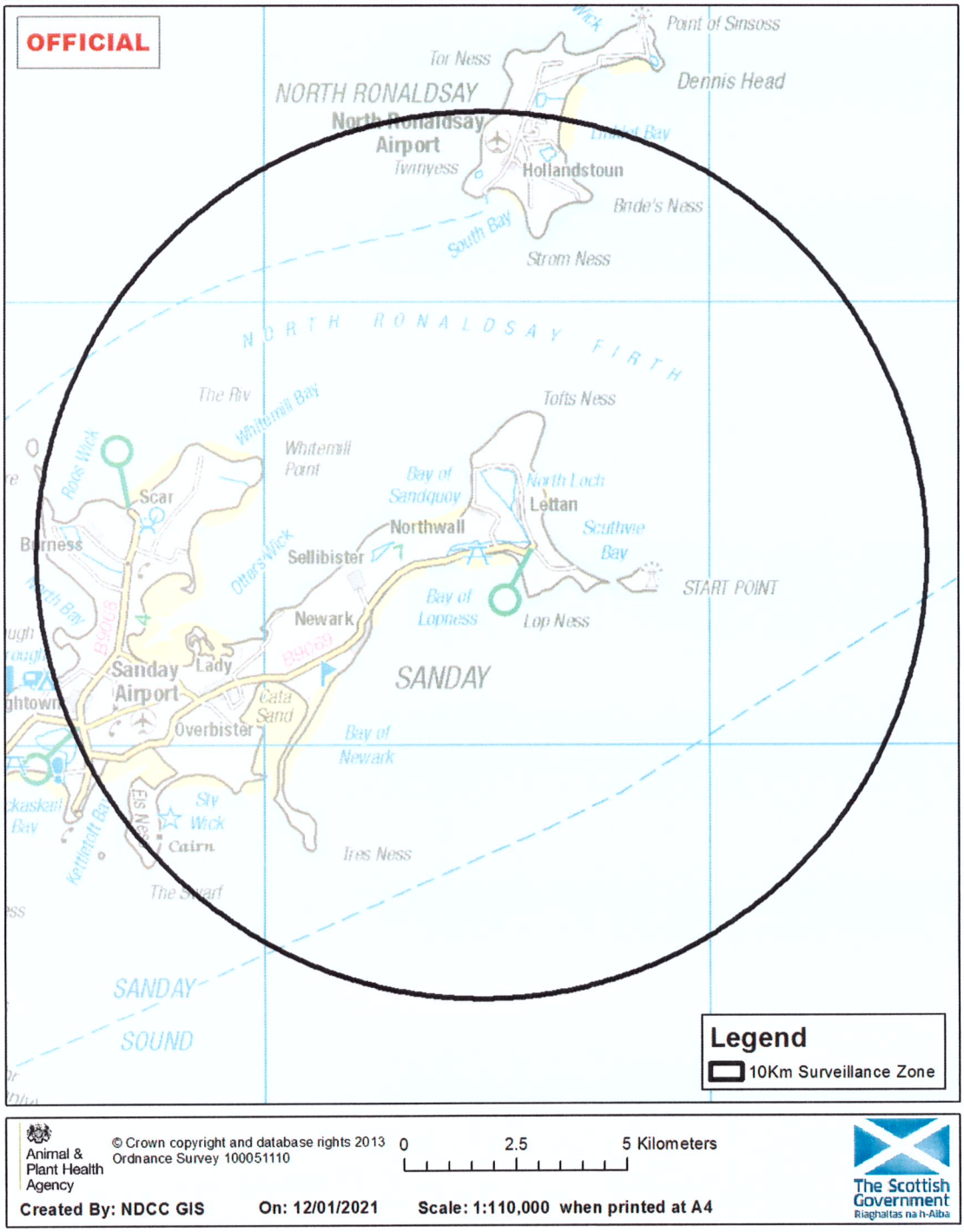
23. Eggs must not be transported to premises for the manufacture of egg products except in accordance with Chapter XI of Annex II to Regulation (EC) No. 852/2004.

Cleansing and disinfection of vehicles

24. A person who transports any poultry, other captive bird, carcase, feed, manure, slurry, litter or any other thing which may be contaminated must cleanse and disinfect the vehicle and any equipment used to transport that thing as soon as it is unloaded in accordance with article 65.

25. A person who enters or leaves premises by vehicle must, without delay, cleanse and disinfect any part of the vehicle which may have been contaminated in accordance with article 65.

Annex 3

Map Showing the Surveillance Zone

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