

Farm 1 - extract from Action Plan

Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

WHAT IS LIKELY TO BE DRIVING THE DISEASE?					
CATTLE BROUGHT IN:	Unlikely. Very few licenses have been issued and none to facilitate moves onto ******* for at least the last year.				
TB SITUATION IN THE SURROUNDING AREA:	As at December 2016, there are four other TB breakdowns in the parish, 1 in adjoining parish ** and 1 in adjoining parish **, none of them within one km of this one. This is a High TB (endemic) area in Wales, therefore spread from wildlife cannot be entirely ruled out as possible driver of the disease.				
INTRA-HERD MOVEMENTS AND SEPARATION:	Unlikely. Calves around 8 months old are moved from ******* and they return as in-calf heifers to calve. Most reactors disclosed have been in *******.				
EVIDENCE OF POSSIBLE UNDISCLOSED INFECTION:	The gamma positive test results and the number of IRsx2 removed suggest that undisclosed infection is present.				
EVIDENCE OF BADGER ACTIVITY:	Very little badger activity reported by the farmer, however with the presumed prevalence of bovine TB in badgers within the High TB area at circa 7%, this cannot be ruled out as a possible driver of the disease.				
DISEASE STATUS OF BADGERS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA:	No badger found dead submissions have been made for the buffer around *******. There is however one culture pending next to one of the other premises and a negative one near another location. This cannot be ruled out as a possible driver of the disease.				
BIOSECURITY ARRANGEMENTS:	Silo bins are used for concentrate feed. The grass silage clamp is accessible. Some work has been carried out on the buildings in ******* but there are still some points where badger access is possible. This could be driving the disease				
C&D STANDARDS AND COMPLIANCE:	The keeper reports that cleansing of buildings and troughs carried out once every month, but without the use of disinfectant. C&D visits following reactor removal has been found to be satisfactory. The lack of disinfection of water and feed troughs could be driving the disease.				