

## LITTLE GATE FARM - ANIMAL WELFARE POLICY



Five freedoms	Steps to implement this:
Freedom from hunger and thirst	By ready access to fresh water and a diet to maintain full health and vigour.
Freedom from discomfort	<p>Provide an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area.</p> <p>Procedures related to animal housing, management, care, and use are continuously evaluated, and when indicated, refined or replaced.</p>
Freedom from pain, injury and distress AND Prevention of injury and disease	<p>Animals shall be treated with respect and dignity throughout their lives and, when necessary, provided with a humane death.</p> <p>Rapid diagnosis and treatment is a priority for all animals.</p>
Freedom to express normal behaviour	<p>Farm staff will remain skilled, knowledgeable and conscientious with regards animal welfare and their environment.</p> <p>Records will be kept of all animals present on the farm.</p> <p>Provide sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind.</p>
Freedom from fear and distress	<p>Ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering.</p> <p>Animals shall have utmost consideration during transportation and handling.</p>
Signed  Claire Cordell:  David Cordell:	Dated:  Dated:
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