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Avian Influenza (Bird Flu)

Avian influenza has been detected in a number of wild birds across Great Britain, including the North West of England. This is normal for this time of year as wild birds carry the disease when migrating to the UK from Europe and Asia. Wild birds are susceptible to a range of diseases and injuries and not all dead birds will have been infected with avian influenza.

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has said that avian influenza is primarily a disease of birds and the risk to the general public's health is very low, but we are urging you to be vigilant when enjoying this outdoor space.

If you feed duck or birds, please do not feed the birds directly from your hands.

It is important that you do not pick up any sick or dead birds to avoid spreading the virus. If you find dead wild birds report them to DEFRA on [0345 933 5577](tel:03459335577) or email defra.helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk.

For further information, please visit www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu#latest-situation