### **NO to the Whitwick Manor AD:**

Whitwick Manor AD, Lower Eggleton, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 2UE planning ref 222728/N

# Do we want a huge industrial anaerobic digester in the middle of our countryside?

## **Problems with Anaerobic Digesters**

- Anaerobic Digesters (ADs) have known problems: odour, noise, traffic, river pollution events
- ADs are very poorly regulated and need careful management.
- Is this technology proven to remove phosphate which pollutes our rivers?



#### **Increased Air Pollution**

- There will be increased air pollution centred on the site, which is near Ashperton Primary and Townsend Nursery Schools.
- Increased ammonia pollution. Ammonia concentrations in the area are already at least 2.5 times the level harmful to biodiversity and resultant nitrogen deposition adds to water pollution, including of the Wye.

#### **Increased Traffic**

- Chicken muck will come from all over Herefordshire and beyond
- Traffic through the area will significantly increase a lorry at least every 10 minutes.
- This is not an agricultural development but a waste management plant. Planning policy says such development should be on sites allocated in the Local Plan.



## Why are we worried?

This application for a huge anaerobic digester near Yarkhill, to process chicken muck from miles around, is currently being considered by Herefordshire Planning.

- Anaerobic digesters have caused wildlife and aquatic kills and loss of human life.
- There are recorded incidents here in the UK, including two explosions and several leaks in the Wye catchment.
- Air pollution damages health and kills increased traffic will increase air pollution and may endanger life.
- More digesters means more industrial poultry sheds creating more muck, and more mono-crop maize. Both are killing our rivers.

This huge plant with untested technology needs to operate under exacting standards. Can we trust this to happen?

# WE CAN OBJECT! Please object by 25th November 2024

- Go to the Herefordshire Council website www.herefordshire.gov.uk
- In the search-bar enter planning ref P222728/N or use QR code below
- Within the Planning Portal, you can look at the application, object, and find out who else has objected.

This leaflet was prepared by Save the Wye with concerned local residents.





