

## **IPUs in Shropshire**

### **Tasley case**

The Court of Appeal quashed a planning permission for an intensive chicken farming facility in Shropshire (*Squire v Shropshire Council and Matthew Bower* [2019] EWCA Civ 888, handed down on 24/5/19).

In so doing, the court laid down important principles concerning the environmental impact of intensive farming. It also established the correct approach to interpreting the environmental permits under which such intensive farming facilities operate.

The significance of the Tasley decision is that where the manure is to be deposited on other land an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is required. Shropshire's Councils interpretation of this case is that this does not apply to all poultry applications, only where an EIA is required on the original application ie more than 85,000 broiler or 60,000 egg-layers as per their decision in 19/01154/FUL, proposed poultry unit to the North of Betton, Market Drayton.

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