

Ribble Valley Borough Council -
Development Control
Church Walk
Clitheroe
BB7 2RA

Our Reference: PA-0010396/01
Customer reference: 3/2026/0587
Date: 02 September 2026

Construction of an earth banked slurry lagoon and associated landscaping to include native species tree planting.

Plane Tree Farm Chipping Road Chaigley BB7 3LT

Dear Planning Officer,

Thank you for consulting us on the above application, on 14 August 2026.

Environment Agency position

We have no objection to this application, however we would like to draw the applicant's attention to the following informative comments:

The proposed development must fully comply with the terms of The Water Resources (Control of Pollution) (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) (England) (SSAFO) Regulations 2010. Environmental good practice advice is available in The Code of Good Agricultural Practice (COGAP) for the protection of water, soil and air (produced by DEFRA).

The applicant is advised to review the existing on-farm slurry and manure storage and ensure compliance with the SSAFO Regulations. These regulations require you to inform the Environment Agency, verbally (Tel: 03708 506 506) or in writing, of a new, reconstructed or enlarged slurry store, silage clamp or fuel stores at least 14 days before starting any construction work. The notification must include the type of structure, the proposed design and construction, and once an agreed proposal has been constructed we will ask you to send us a completed WQE3 notification form before you start using the facility.

Further guidance is available:

[Storing silage, slurry and agricultural fuel oil](#)

[Protecting our Water, Soil and Air: A Code of Good Agricultural Practice for farmers, growers and land managers](#)

If you have any questions regarding our response, please contact
clplanning@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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