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Hello

I am writing this submission to ensure that the derogation for seagulls continues on a recurring basis in the interests of health and Safety.

I have just spent the last hour and a half washing seagull "dirt" from my car. From now on I will have to spend the same amount of time every couple of days as the volume of seagulls in my area means that they are more than likely to have regular "direct hits" on my car. I have to wear disposable clothing as I am fearful of the health and safety implications of coming into contact with the seagull "dirt". (not to mention cleaning of garden furniture windows walls etc)

Also as I sit in my kitchen I can count 10 seagulls (5 pairs) on the 3 houses behind me there are also two seagulls resting on my shed roof. They are no longer afraid of humans as when you try to move them away they just return within minutes. So I can look forward to another summer where I cannot sit in my back garden I cannot invite friends over for barbeques or ask my elderly mother up as she is nervous of the constant swooping and noise associated.

This morning I was woken up by two seagulls pecking at my car bonnet – its as if they are engaging with their reflection. Therefore I can look forward to more damage to my car during the summer months.

Finally my family will have another year of no sleep as the noise and squaking of seagulls from 3 am every morning is continuous. This constant disturbance would not be acceptable in any other country of county. You can report neighbours for noise — what about seagulls!!

So I ask that the derogation continues.

Seagulls are Rats they are vermon and it is my view that the derogation does not go far enough but it's a start.

Regards