

**INQUIRY INTO USE OF BATTERY CAGES FOR HENS IN
THE EGG PRODUCTION INDUSTRY**

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My submission is to phase out all battery hen egg production within a small window of time, and subsidise producers to make the change to free range eggs sustainably. The reason is because we know birds are sentient and as a human race we can do better and should do better to protect the lives of the birds and provide safe places for them to live. A battery cage is not safe.

Money alone can't be the driver for whether animals and birds are safe on their own and birds are safe on their own earth. For money isn't ethical, only people can bring ethics to the table.

We are farm producers so I know the struggle to survive financially for producers, which is why they should be subsidised to change so they can continue to provide eggs, but from safe and healthy birds, not birds tortured to bring us the niceties of life, like a fluffy omelette or a cake that rises.

In closing I support the world wide movement to respect all living creatures as sentient. Please be a good human and work for animal health and welfare.