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## Turkey Farmer Told To 'Get Stuffed' !

**A high court judge has been asked to intervene in a long-running dispute between a turkey farmer and his vegetarian neighbours.**

Farmer John Feathers has been rearing turkeys at Beak Farm, Yorkshire since 1972. The current situation arose when a neighbouring was purchased, in 1997, by a group calling themselves 'Animal Equilibrium'. The group claim that the turkeys are kept in 'appalling' conditions.

As a form of protest, the group regularly blocks the road leading to Beak farm, preventing the collection of the turkeys by the local abattoir. This effectively threatens the livelihood of Mr Feathers and his family.

Dark haired Mr Feathers, 58, claimed that his turkeys were kept in pleasant conditions and said that anyone could come and "see for themselves."

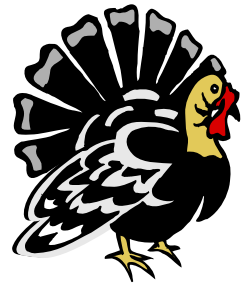
"These do-gooders have no idea! What do they think would happen to the turkey if it was not farmed?" He said angrily. "They'd become extinct, that's what!"

### Nuts

Spokesperson for 'Animal equilibrium', Marigold Sunny, 38, said that it was unnecessary to farm animals at all. "There are alternatives to the traditional roast turkey. Nut roasts, for example contain as much protein as turkey, and taste every bit as good."

The case continues.

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Turkeys—Set for extinction?