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28/JRJ

APHA Ref. No. 28-B0061-03-21

Date Received 09/03/2021

**Submission details as supplied by the
customer**

Sender's Ref. W/21/06

Welsh Government (Aberystwyth)
Wildlife Management Unit
Rhodfa Padarn
Llanbadarn Fawr
Aberystwyth
Ceredigion
SY23 3UR
Email: Wildlife@gov.wales

Previous Ref Not Given

Owner Not Given

CPHH Not Given

Date of Sampling 27/02/2021

Case Vet [REDACTED]

Species / Breed Kite / Red Kite

Sex / Age Female / Unknown

CC: [REDACTED]

Samples Animal Presented Dead x 1

Sub. Reason Project (VLA or Other)

REPORT 1 (FINAL)

The test result applies to the sample as received. A sub-sample of the item may have been tested where appropriate.

EXAMINATION OF RED KITE

HISTORY

This bird was found dead on the upper Ceirog trail Wrexham in the Berwyn region. It was X rayed and no evidence of shot.

Map reference: SJ16 35

SPECIMEN RECEIPT

The red kite was received in a cardboard box labelled with a barcode no. A538178. It was delivered on 09/03/21 by Topspeed courier. Box contained 2 clear plastic bags – 1 x red kite with card within outer bag RSPB-1234069 retained (W/21/06) and a buzzard (separate submission W/21/07). Red Kite was examined on 10/03/2021.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

Identification	Sex	Weight (kgs)	Body Condition	Degree of Autolysis	Submitted Live/Dead/Frozen
Red Kite	female	1.06	Fair	Moderate	Frozen

The charge for this laboratory work is **£0.00** plus VAT if applicable. This will be included in your monthly statement.

Service Charge Code(s):

Additional Service Code(s) performed: TC0004 x 1

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NECROPSY FINDINGS

Alimentary system: There was meat (muscle) in its mouth. The proventriculus and gizzard were full of meat and small bones. The large intestine contained dark content.

Respiratory system: The lungs appeared congested.

Reproductive system: Ovary not active

No abnormalities of the remaining body systems were seen.

TISSUES RETAINED

Stomach Content (included mouth content with this sample), liver, kidney, muscle.

COMMENT

The Red Kite was in fair body condition, had eaten meat and bones shortly before it died and had meat in its mouth when it died. The possibility of poisoning should be considered as no alternative cause of death was identified. Retained samples will be submitted to FERA for toxicology.

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Veterinary Investigation Officer
11/03/2021

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