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ANIMAL WELFARE STATEMENT

Bates Farms and Dairy LTD is a third-generation family-owned dairy based in Southport. Established in 1939 by Edward Barker Bates, the business has continued to grow its customer base as well as its producer numbers.

As part of our commitment to being Red Tractor certified and using the logo on our products it is a pre-requisite that producers meet the requirements of the Red Tractor farm assurance scheme. We work alongside an auditing body who ensure that all of our producers meet the standard in which animal welfare is a primary concern.

Whilst the grazing of cows is the primary method for the cows, they are housed throughout the coldest months of year where grass growth and weather conditions restrict the use of the fields. During the period of housing the minimum conditions that are expected are that the housing provides a comfortable, clean, well-drained and dry lying area and gives shelter from adverse weather.

As a local family business that deliver our fresh produce within a relatively small catchment area we also collect our raw milk all within a 30 mile radius of the processing dairy. The proximity of our producers to our site ensures an efficient supply chain with very low food miles from the farm to the consumer.

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