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### Pigeon Experts Condemn Extreme Cruelty in Leamington Spa

PiCAS UK (the Pigeon Control Advisory Service, UK Division) has today condemned the actions of the group calling itself Regenesis, based in Leamington Spa after it was revealed that Regenesis staff trapped and caught an undisclosed number of feral pigeons and caged them in a dovecote facility they provided. This barbaric action will have caused extreme and unnecessary suffering. Pigeons mate for life and breed all year round and therefore some, if not all of the pigeons caught will have been split from their life-long partners and will have certainly have had dependant young in nests. These young birds will have starved to death.

It is the view of PiCAS UK that the RSPCA should be considering a prosecution against Regenesis on the grounds of causing unnecessary suffering.

Not only this but the scheme implemented by Regenesis apparently based on the PiCAS model of pigeon control has been a complete failure due to the fact that Regenesis refused to be guided and take advice from PiCAS UK, the experts.

PiCAS UK wishes to disassociate itself with Regenesis and from this poorly thought out and badly executed control programme. Had Regenesis taken heed of the advice of PiCAS UK in the same way that Surrey Heath Borough Council (in Camberley) has done, Leamington Spa would now have a highly effective and humane pigeon control programme that would have reduced and stabilised pigeon numbers in the town without causing unnecessary suffering or wasting public money, as Regenesis has done.

In what Regenesis has hailed as a major programme to reduce the flock, experts at the internationally renowned Pigeon Control Advisory Service (UK Division) are horrified by the amount of suffering that would have taken place. Emma Haskell, Director of PiCAS UK, said: “We are absolutely disgusted at the level of cruelty that has been associated with this programme and the unparalleled level of incompetence demonstrated by the Regenesis Group.”

For more information on PiCAS UK visit the website at [www.picasuk.com](http://www.picasuk.com) or contact Emma Haskell on 02392 583540 or 07903 011715