EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

This instrument revokes the Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2020 ("the 2020 Regulations") (S.I. 2020/381).

The 2020 Regulations made amendments to the Official Controls (Plant Health and Genetically Modified Organisms) (England) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/1517) to impose additional emergency measures to prevent the establishment or spread of the following harmful plant pests in England — (a) Ceratocystis platani (J.M. Walter) Engelbr. & T.C. Harr.; (b) Candidatus Phytoplasma ulmi; (c) Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire; and (d) Xylella fastidiosa (Wells et al.) This instrument removes those amendments in so far as they relate to Ceratocystis platani and Xylella fastidiosa.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private or voluntary sector is foreseen.