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PIGEONS are being put on the pill to help stop the growing population of the birds in one tired town.

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The birds will be put fed 10 grams of 'Ovistop', which is made of corn seeds covered in a food additive.

Ovistop will act as a contraceptive for the pigeons – who will be fed from July to December, the high season for pigeon breeding.

The town of Badia del Vallés, near Barcelona, announced the plan on the town hall website after becoming sick of the sight of pigeons.

It said: "Every morning, three automatic dispensers will scatter the required dosage to the pigeon population."

One dispenser was installed yesterday while two more will be placed on school roofs next week.

The pill is touted as being effective by the town hall sources.

According to the sources, 80 per cent of the Spanish town's pigeon population will be eradicated in the next four to five years.

One pair of birds can produce 48 pigeons a year - which has led the town to become overrun with the 'flying rodents'.

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