



Land

Accredited Training



84 individuals were supported from **54** businesses

Courses included:

Courses	Number of claims
Chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting	15
Level 2 Award in Rodent Management	11
Level 2 Award in the Safe Use of Pesticides (PA1) & Safe Application of Pesticides Using Vehicle Mounted Boom Sprayer Equipment (PA2)	8
Rough Terrain Telescopic Lift Truck	21
Sit-Astride ATV's including loads and trailed equipment	5
The Maintenance, History and Ecological Principles of Wildflower Meadows	4
Tractor Driving	6

Feedback:
"I learnt how different amounts of weight will affect how the machine operates as well as the use of different loader attachments". (Rough Terrain Telescopic Lift Truck)

Horticulture



8 Horticulture events delivered to **41** individuals from **32** different businesses

Training titles included: Late stage weed control, Soil health workshop, Tuber Quality Considerations.

Feedback:
"Very good learning with lots to take in and yes apply to our own practices and improve growth." (Vineyard Training – Growing vines regeneratively.)
"A very good event with lots of information sharing and support." (Vineyard Training – Yield Management)

21% of sessions align with the SFS Characteristic of converting to organic / regenerative farming

Business support sessions

21 Support sessions **26** Individuals **20** Businesses

Topics included: Pumpkin agronomy, soft fruit technical support, Weed management and Pest and Disease strategies including IPDM.

Feedback:
"Advice gives us more confidence to grow better crops next year, economically."

Supply chain cluster

1 Meeting on Automation and Innovation delivered to **6** Participants

E-learning



38 Individuals Supported | **21** Businesses Supported

Modules completed include	Individuals Trained
Mandatory Unit: Pesticide Safety	16
Building Soil Fertility (slurry/muck, crop rotation, green manures)	3
Grassland management (including multi-species swards and mixed grazing)	3
Farm Safety - Working Safely with Tractors	3
Lowering External Inputs To Maximise Profits And Benefit The Environment	2
Reducing Ammonia Emissions	2
Integrated Pest Management	2

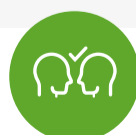
Strategic Awareness Events



6 Events **188** Attendees

Events included:
Biodiversity, Water Quality and Multi Species Leys

Clinics



16 Woodland, Soils and Grassland

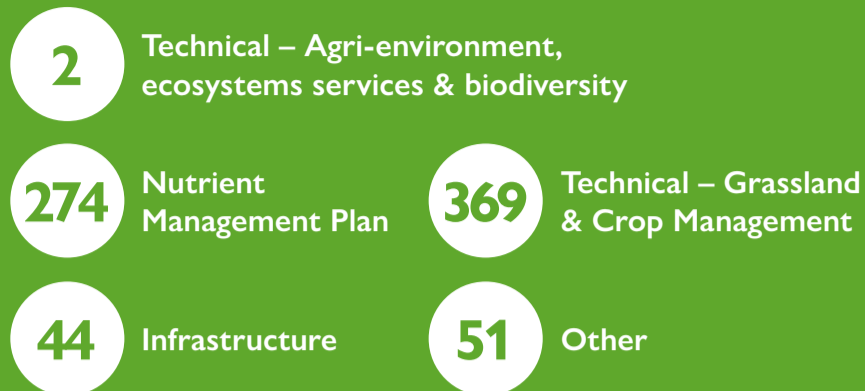
Podcast



Episode 105: Fferm Glascoed – Improving Efficiency
Episode 104: What is healthy soil?

Advisory Service

The Advisory Service supported the following instances of advice:



Feedback: "The consultant was extremely helpful with providing advice for our farm infrastructure. We are currently in the process of installing robots and the consultant's advice has helped us do this whilst also looking at current infrastructure and Control of Agriculture Pollution regs".

Our Farms Network

On-farm projects include:



Farming Connect 'Try Out Fund' aims to find an effective biological control against the nemesis of strawberry growers

Masterclasses

Topics included:

- Which habitats have we got on the farm and how to manage them?
- Seeding change: A guide to regenerative agriculture
- Get the most out of your grass: Grassland management

Discussion Groups

6 discussion group meetings took place

26

Attendees

7 hours of CPD

Keywords: Home grown protein, Home grown fodder crops, Grassland Management, Livestock performance, Reduced costs

Agrigôp

6 Agrigôp meetings have taken place

30

Attendees



10 hours

Groups focussed on:

- Nikki Spil from The Seaweed Farmers gave a presentation to the Seaweed Group on how the seaweed biostimulant is produced and the proven benefits of using it.
- The Elderberry group met online and discussed the possibility of putting in a joint application for the Woodland Trust 'Trees on your Farm' grant which is designed for agroforestry applications.
- The 'Biological Systems Dairy, Beef and Sheep' group met for the first time where ideas and opportunities were discussed on how to grow more confidence in producing healthier crops and grass to develop the environmental benefits of a biological system.

Mentoring



64 Individuals have accessed mentoring



248 hours of mentoring



109 mentoring sessions



34% of all sessions were related to this theme

Topics covered in mentoring sessions include:

- Incorporating trees
- Control of Agri Pollution
- Rotational grazing
- Fertiliser application rates
- Irrigation system

Extracts from mentoring diaries include:

- We continued to discuss various options for native broadleaf planting, weighing the pros and cons of each species in terms of wildlife value, maintenance intervals, potential yields etc. The Mentee will now continue to work on his design to incorporate trees on his land.
- Discussed options around fencing for rotational grazing as well as calculated animal requirements and daily area allocations. The area allocated to livestock will be reduced so they are moved a minimum of every 3 days. The Mentee is going to consider using a grazing chart and researching holistic planned grazing.
- Mentor attended the site to help mentee set up a manual irrigation system for watering and feeding a pumpkin crop that is failing. Mentor also assisted by demonstrating fertiliser application on small scale growing where machinery isn't available. Pest problems were also examined and possible pesticide application discussed using equipment available on site. Application rates and methods also discussed..

