



FOUNDATION DEBATE ON FARMING

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FARMING IS THE BEDROCK OF THE FOOD AND DRINK INDUSTRY
THE UK'S BIGGEST MANUFACTURING SECTOR

<p>UK FOOD AND FARMING EMPLOYS 3.9 MILLION PEOPLE</p> <p>30,000 KM OF HEDGEROWS HAVE BEEN PLANTED AND CARED FOR BY FARMERS PROVIDING FOOD AND SHELTER FOR WILDLIFE</p>	<p>PRODUCING QUALITY GREAT BRITISH FOOD</p> <p></p>	<p>FARMERS HAVE PLANTED 10,000 FOOTBALL PITCHES WORTH OF FLOWER HABITAT CREATING HOMES FOR BEES</p> <p></p>
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UK FOOD AND FARMING IS WORTH **£108 BILLION**

Find out more: www.nfuonline.com/back-british-farming #BackBritishFarming

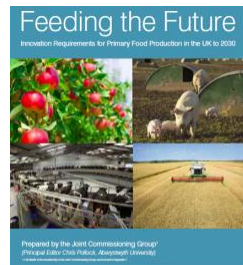
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NFU Vision for Agriculture

“Sustainable, profitable and progressive active farm businesses responding to the market and our society, delivering for all incomes, respected and rewarded fairly for the goods delivered and reinforced in its centrality to the UK food system and with an enhanced reputation at home and abroad.”

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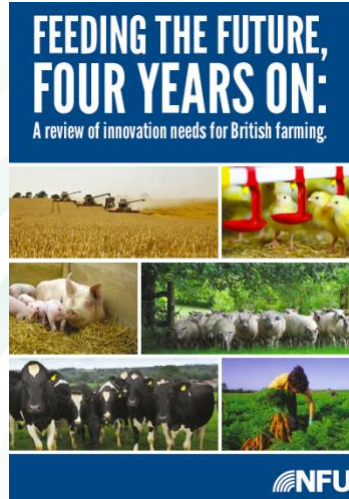
Farmers need Science



Prepared by the Joint Commissioning Group
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Industrial Strategy... White Paper, Dec 2017

"High efficiency agriculture

"Innovative technologies (precision, drones, AI)

"Food and Drink Sector Council

"Benefit farmers, environment, consumers


"Drive growth, jobs, exports

"ISCF: 'Transforming food production, from farm to fork'



"Bioeconomy Strategy & 25 yr Env Plan address waste and resource use

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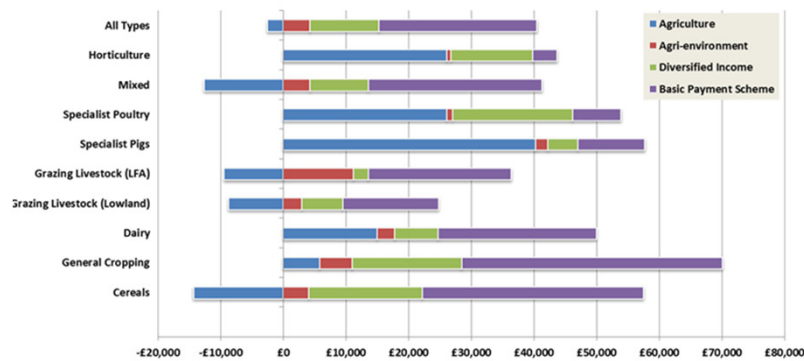


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Sectors start Brexit from a different place...

Farm Business Income by Farm Type and Cost Centre 2016/17



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Defra consultation

Moving away from CAP



Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

Health and Harmony: the future for food, farming and the environment in a Green Brexit

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Risk management

Public money for public goods

Supply chain

UK framework for new policies

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NFU's initial reaction

Productivity




Environment
Volatility


NFU key tests:

1. Ambitious
2. Comprehensive
3. Promote competitiveness and financial resilience
4. Reduce admin burden
5. Maintain a level playing field
6. Provide fair reward for environmental goods
7. A deliverable and certain transition

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NFU seeking a policy...

- that is **fair** to all **active** farm businesses irrespective of size or system,
- that provides **sufficient time** and **certainty** for active farm businesses to plan and opportunities for them to adapt and invest,
- that results in a more **profitable, progressive** and **sustainable** farm sector respected by society for its high standards for food production, environmental care and animal welfare,
- that harnesses **all parts of Government** and the whole food chain to deliver a successful and thriving sector.

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