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## General News



### National Food Strategy Consultation

[nationalfoodstrategy.org/](http://nationalfoodstrategy.org/)

On 27 June, Defra's Secretary of State commissioned Henry Dimbleby to conduct an independent review to help the government create its first National Food Strategy for 75 years.

The purpose of the review is to address the environmental and health problems caused by our food system, to ensure the security of our food supply, and to maximise the benefits of the coming revolution in agricultural technology.

The National Food Strategy (NFS) will examine activity across several departments of state, building on the new Agriculture Bill and Fisheries Bill, the Industrial Strategy, the Childhood Obesity Plan and the upcoming Environment Bill. Its stated aim is to seek to respond to the need for a 'resilient, sustainable and humane agriculture' and a food and farming system that 'restores and enhances the natural environment for the next generation in this country.'

There is currently a consultation period underway which is open until 25th October where they are seeking submissions from interested people and organisations. The various methods in which you can do that is at the bottom of the Defra NFS website <https://consult.defra.gov.uk/agri-food-chain-directorate/national-food-strategy-call-for-evidence/>

While the statement on the Defra website says that one of its objectives is "to maximise the benefits of the coming revolution in agricultural technology" - read into that what you want - it is clear therefore that we must make the case for R&D in agroecological innovation and whole system design.

The NFS states that it is intended to be an overarching strategy for government, designed to ensure that our food system:

- Delivers safe, healthy, affordable

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food, regardless of where people live or how much they earn;

- Is robust in the face of future shocks;
- Restores and enhances the natural environment for the next generation in this country;
- Is built upon a resilient, sustainable and humane agriculture sector;
- Is a thriving contributor to our urban and rural economies, delivering well paid jobs and supporting innovative producers and manufacturers across the country;
- Delivers all this in an efficient and cost-effective way.

In this context it is clear that organic delivers many of these elements and



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justifies Government investment. Organic has a number of advantages with higher antioxidants and lower concentrations of pesticides in fresh fruit and vegetables and higher omega 3 levels in meat and dairy alongside higher levels of some vitamins and minerals including increased Vitamin E and iron and conjugated linoleic acid.

<https://www.ncl.ac.uk/press/articles/archive/2015/10/organicvsnon-organicfood/>

<https://www.pan-uk.org/organic/>

Organic is also affordable in that many organic products are cheaper than their branded equivalent and evidence from Denmark (where they have a 13% market share) would suggest with increased volumes that price parity is much more likely.

[https://foodnationdenmark.com/wp-content/cache/wp-rocket/foodnationdenmark.dk/index-https.html\\_gzip](https://foodnationdenmark.com/wp-content/cache/wp-rocket/foodnationdenmark.dk/index-https.html_gzip)

IFOAM EU state that organic delivers 34% more biodiversity, 40-64% less nitrogen leached and on average 16cm more topsoil amongst other things while positively impacting on eight of the UN's sustainable development goals.

<https://www.ifoam-eu.org/en/news/2019/01/30/thunen-institute-publishes-study-value-organic-farming>

Organic farming also reduces the quantities of artificial nitrogen and pesticide in the environment. In the UK OF&G estimate that organic farming avoids the need to apply over 300 tonnes of pesticide active ingredient and 40,000 tonnes of artificial nitrogen. It is also estimated that, as organic farmers do not apply sprays and fertilisers, that saves on the number of field operations. The savings in GHG emissions it is estimated is equivalent to removing 1.6M cars from UK roads and that's on just 1.5% of the total UK agricultural land area.

We know from the Defra Farm Business survey that Organic mixed farms (with grains, beef and sheep) in 2016/17 showed higher Net Farm Income than non-organic farms, again due to higher gross margin and grants, lower machinery but slightly higher other costs and total labour. Working capital requirements for organic farming are usually significantly lower than for non-organic – lower crop storage requirements and lower

machinery depreciation; however livestock and associated infrastructure can be higher. FBS survey data has however shown for a number of years that tenants' capital on organic farms is 20 – 25% less than on non-organic farms. All of which contributes to a thriving and resilient rural economy.

We also know that consumers are buying more organic products. Over 80% of the UK population purchased organic products last year and, while the perception around price remains a barrier, more and more people recognise that organic is more natural, better for the environment, supports farmers, has higher welfare, protects wildlife and is healthier for you. 39% of 18 -29 yr old consider buying organic and 34% of 30 – 39yr olds do compared with 20% of 50 – 59yr olds. Younger consumers are informed and engaged with the wider challenges we currently face and increasing numbers see organic as part of the solution.

All of this means we have a very strong story to tell and OF&G would encourage you to get involved in the consultation. We will be drafting our response over the next couple of weeks but please make your voice heard.

## Organic can be a solution to achieving Sustainable development Goals

If we are to maintain sustainable food systems for future generations and tackle the many challenges facing our planet, including the climate crisis, governments would be wise to embrace organic farming practices. This is the main message a recently published report sends to world leaders currently gathering for the SDG Summit in New York.

Commissioned by Dutch organic specialist Eosta, the new report *Organic Agriculture and the Sustainable Development Goals* shows examples of how our food

systems can have a direct impact on our chances of achieving these goals. It has been launched at a time when Heads of State and Government gather at the United Nations Headquarters in New York to follow up and comprehensively review progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 17 SDGs.

According to Louise Lutikholt, Executive Director of IFOAM – Organics International, 'Given that organic farmers work in harmony with nature, as far as possible, for

example by not applying harmful agrochemicals, it is clear that they are a major part of the solution. As the report shows, if the global community is serious about achieving the SDGs by 2030 it is essential that we switch to more sustainable farming practices such as organic.'

To learn in detail how organic agriculture scores better than its conventional counterpart on saving biodiversity, our water and health and brings resilience to farming, click <https://www.ifoam.bio/>

## Changes to the OF&G Newsletter

Organic legislation demands that we inform you of any relevant technical updates. It also requires you as the licensee to make yourself aware of those updates.

The OF&G newsletter has had a number of formats over the decades and we feel now is the right time for another stage in developing how we pass information to you. Aside from the regulatory requirement we also collate a number of news articles, either our own or those we feel worth highlighting from elsewhere.

You will see that you have 2 parts to the Newsletter this time - the Newsletter and the Technical Newsletter. In this way we hope to keep you well informed, keeping you fully apprised of all technical matters while also providing general news items which we hope will be of interest to you.

# All Party Parliamentary Group on Agroecology

OF&G helped to organise and co-sponsor an event in Westminster on 10 September 2019. The All Party Parliamentary Group on Agroecology brought farmers and growers together with MPs and members of the civil service to raise awareness of agroecological food systems.

Two farmers who are licensed with OF&G joined the event and spoke about their experiences as ecologically aware food and farming businesses. Polly Davies of Slade Farm in the Vale of Glamorgan - @sladefarm - and Mark Lea of Green Acres farm in Shropshire - @GreenAcres\_Farm



*Polly talking about how mixed farms like hers are becoming too rare. Specialisation led to intensification - not a good trend for wildlife and pollution. But clear need for government support*

*in delivering additional goods like wildlife.*



*Mark Lea now speaking - his organic peas are going to be eaten in a bit. Talks of chasing profit under chemical based farming. Going organic 20 years ago was a great*

*decision. Talking about fertility building rotation with clover, legumes and ruminant livestock.*

OF&G are members of the group Sustain: The alliance for better food and farming.

Farming campaign coordinator for Sustain, Vicki Hird - @vickihird - was at the event and wrote this short blog to describe the day :

Sustain was very pleased to co-sponsor an event with the All Party Parliamentary Group on Agroecology, the Landworkers Alliance, CPRE, Soil Association and Organic Farmers and Growers and the Gaia Foundation in parliament this week showcasing some fantastic farmers

and growers using agro-ecological and organic systems across their whole farm.

*Soil samples showing benefits of agro-ecological approach shown at the event*



The room was packed showing a strong interest in helping farming protect people and planet. Presentations and policy recommendations were made by farmers across the UK who are using agroecological practices to create a food system that restores and builds nature whilst producing healthy affordable food.

There was a display of photographs of agro-ecological farming and an amazing UK grown feast provided by UK farmers.

A great new resource from the Landworkers Alliance - Agroecology in Action - describes the work of 27 farmers, growers and communities putting agroecological principles into action and making it work economically, socially, and environmentally.

The amendments we are seeking for the 'new' Agriculture Bill - to be tabled in the next parliamentary session, after Brexit or General Election - includes a strong lobby for supporting such farmers and approaches.

This may be through financial grants and capital support as well as training and advice and facilitation for all farmers to adopt these systems.

This article also appears online at

[https://www.sustainweb.org/news/sep19\\_agroecologicalfarmers\\_inparliament/](https://www.sustainweb.org/news/sep19_agroecologicalfarmers_inparliament/)

<https://agroecology-appg.org/>

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Photos by V Hird

## A new role at the Pasture Fed Livestock Association

OF&G provide the certification for the Pasture Fed scheme, which is owned by the PFLA. The Association have now secured funding to employ a person to help them with marketing the Pasture for Life mark for meat and dairy.

The Pasture Fed Livestock Association (PFLA) is seeking interest from individuals who can take a strong lead in delivering a new strategy that will see a significant increase in sales of Pasture for Life meat and dairy products. We would like to hear from people who have experience and proven success in some or all of the following:

- Growing retail markets
- Consumer communications
- The meat industry
- Growing a business
- Fundraising

This opportunity would suit someone with energy, enterprise and an absolute determination to move a small cutting-edge organisation into a real force in the market.

The PFLA is a membership organisation of over 500 members, mainly farmers, who believe passionately in the benefits of rearing ruminants entirely from pasture. We have an IPO accredited certification scheme, Pasture for Life, and want

to see our farmers' certified produce on retail shelves. We currently have funding to bring in new sales/consumer/marketing facing skills to the organisation. Part of the job will be to secure the long-term financial security of this role and the future for the PFLA. We would like to hear what you think you can do for us.

For more information about the PFLA please visit our website at <https://www.pastureforlife.org>

For further information about the role please send an expression of interest by email to our Vice Chairman, Fidelity Weston at [romshed@weald.co.uk](mailto:romshed@weald.co.uk) by 13th October 2019.

## OF&G CEO's response to GM report on BBC Farming Today

During the week of 16 September the programme BBC Farming Today featured a look at GM crops. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qj8q/episodes/>

Our chief executive, Roger Kerr was invited on to the programme at the end of that week. Here he sums up his thoughts.

### Why would UK agriculture want to exclude 6 out of 10 consumers?

On BBC Farming Today earlier this week, Bayer's Mark Buckingham stated that genetic modification (GM) produces higher yields with less inputs. He also said it's extremely popular and successful, and has a lower environmental impact with 8% less pesticides used globally on GM crops, which is equivalent to 16 million fewer cars on the road.

The reality is, a report from the National Academy of Sciences suggests over the last 20 years there was little evidence of yield increase beyond that seen in conventional crops.

And a recent YouGov survey for the Agricultural Biotechnology Council, of which Mr Buckingham is chairman, showed 57% of people rejected GM. So, why would UK agriculture want to exclude almost 6 out of 10 consumers?

Also, a United States Geographical Survey showed that following the introduction of herbicide resistant GM there was a 33% reduction in fungicides and insecticides, but a 21% increase in herbicides. Over the same period in the EU, where GM is not allowed, insecticide and fungicide use fell by 65% and herbicide use by 36%.

Mr Buckingham claimed the use of GM was equivalent to removing 16 million cars worldwide but with global organic land area at almost 70 million hectares, the reduction in tractor passes from not using fertiliser or pesticides (using his methodology) would be equivalent to 1.7 billion cars worldwide, not to mention the greenhouse gas emissions savings that arise from the manufacture of artificial nitrogen.

### Not searching for a silver bullet

The challenges that face the food system are complex and a 'silver bullet' like GM is not the answer. As NFU president Minette Batters has stated, "the conversation must be around a healthy, balanced diet and climate friendly food, not searching for a silver bullet." The implications of GM economically, agronomically, environmentally and in terms of public health are all currently unavailable for independent peer reviewed analysis.

Why would organic farmers adopt such a technology when it's simply input substitution where chemicals are substituted for genes (from chemical companies who now own the intellectual property for the genes)? It doesn't avoid the use of chemicals or artificial fertiliser.

GM is effectively 'business as usual' with the substitution of one input for another - something which everyone (including the UN and IPCC) agree is no longer an option.

This article also appears online at <https://ofgorganic.org/news/of-g-chief-response-to-gm-report-on-bbc-farming-today>

## Wales Real Food and Farming Conference - 11-12 November 2019

The Wales Real Food and Farming Conference will welcome delegates and speakers from farm and food businesses, large and small, to directors of civil and private institutions including the Welsh Government, the RSA Food, Farming and Countryside Commission and the Sustainable Food Trust.

Dr. Sarah Watson-Jones is co-organiser of the conference and is project lead at conference lead sponsors BioInnovation Wales. Dr Watson-Jones said,

"The food and drink industry is currently worth nearly £7bn to the Welsh economy and many of its products are recognised for their excellence with Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) status. A new £6.5m Circular Economy fund has just been announced to help businesses to better incorporate recycled materials into their products and become more environmentally sustainable.

The Wales Real Food and Farming Conference has come at a really important time, with our imminent departure from the EU and all the challenges that it will inevitably bring to the agri-food sector."

Polly Davies farms in the Vale of Glamorgan,

"Really good food markets are building all across Britain. We're busier than ever, now is a great time to be farming with nature and growing great food.

There are a lot of challenges, to make the most of the opportunities we are seeing there does need to be more



support and more recognition of what farmers in Wales can do, with our food and for our environment."

Conference co-organiser, Arfon Williams, RSPB Cymru said,

"To really support our natural environment we must support our food producers. From farming to fisheries there is a lot of excellent food being produced and prepared here in Wales and it's worth shouting about. With the economy and the climate and the uncertainty we all are facing this conference is a chance for our community to come together, be proud of what we all are doing and show how we can help each other."

The conference will be held on the campus of Aberystwyth University.

Tickets are available at eventbrite -

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cynhadledd-gwir-fwyd-a-ffermio-cymru-wales-real-food-and-farming-conference-tickets-72246187291>

Blogs and information available at - <https://wrffc.wales/>

Full programme details will be released in early October.

# Market Information

## Grain Prices: Courtesy of Andrew Trump, Organic Arable

The feed market is slower than usual this season. Buyers have confidence in the supply and are buying to requirement as there remains uncertainty in the market due to Brexit. We lack clarity as to how organic certification equivalence with the EU may be impacted by a no-deal Brexit – the worst case scenario being that there would be a hiatus in equivalence impeding trade. This risk affects the dairy sector which relies upon EU milk processing making dairy feed sales less certain. It is ruminants that eat most UK sourced organic feed grains (with poultry relying to a far greater extent on imported supplies) and therefore dairy feed producers are seeing uncertainty from their customers which impacts their purchasing of feed grains. It is easier to sell milling wheat than feed wheat at present.

Malting barley is largely exported and with the possibility of a no deal Brexit and imposition of tariffs on entry into the EU at €90 there is little scope for any business as neither party wishes to risk this additional cost. This means there is a large volume of unsold malting barley on farm. If there is a further extension to the current relationship with the EU there will be a bun-fight to get malting barley sold and moved ahead of the new deadline. It is possible that this uncertainty will reduce value and see some of this grain move to the feed market. Whatever the outcome of Brexit the situation has highlighted the imbalance in production between the feed and human consumption markets. The high premiums the human consumption market has delivered over feed means fewer farmers are now feed grain producers which is the biggest market available. Strategically having a foot in both camps is beneficial as external influences can have a significant impact leaving producers with uncertainty.

Ex-farm price expectations: Feed wheat £250 - £255, Feed Barley,

£250 - £255, Feed oats £235- £240, Milling Wheat £265 - £315, Malting Barley £n/a, Milling Oats £270 - £280

## Organic Livestock Trends: OLMC

The challenges in marketing of all livestock are not any easier, whether they be organic or conventional. Our fate over future trade arrangements makes all food markets uncertain, stifling normal trading. However, it is pleasing to note that despite these problems the demand for organic beef gives the organic producer an average of 85p/kg dw premium over the conventional trade.

The demand for organic cull cows has been reasonable over the summer months and the numbers coming forward have been relatively low but we expect to see an increase in seasonal culling from the dairy sector as we come into the autumn period but normally speaking this time of the year usually fuels demand especially as we move closer towards increased kills for the Christmas period.

Although organic lambs were slow to come forward to start with at the beginning of the summer, prices have remained strong. It is only in the past few weeks with greater numbers coming onto the market that we have seen a slowdown in abattoir requirement. With kill numbers having been high so far this year it could indicate that there may be a shortage of organic lamb in the New Year.

For further information of the marketing of finished stock please call Tim Leigh on 01763 250313 or mobile 07850 366 404.

Organic store cattle have been in short supply during the last three months due to producers and breeders having an over supply of grass during the very good growing season which has meant that producers have been more inclined to keep cattle rather than sell them. This is the complete opposite of what we experienced last year during the long hot and very dry summer.

I have been reporting since last summer of the need for cattle to be the correct weight for age. Cattle that were born in 2017 and grazed in 2018 experienced poor growth rates due to a shortage of grass but we are finding that cattle born in 2018 are lower in weight than they should be due to their dams being short of milk resulting in the calves not achieving their target weights at weaning. This has meant that we find ourselves at the end of a very good growing season but with some cattle that are below their weight for age because of the lack of grass in 2018. This problem manifests itself when cattle do not achieve the correct carcass weight and we have seen cattle 50 kg lighter than they should be at 30 months. This problem is predominantly found in native bred cattle.

Prices are lower than last year and this is entirely due to the fact that finished organic cattle prices have been subdued for some months. The indications are that organic finished cattle numbers will tighten in the New Year which should lift both the store and finished cattle prices. In addition the availability of forage will help finishers keep feed costs under control this winter.

We have experienced a number of “clean” heifers in calf in the last 6 months, over and above what we would normally find. Whilst we accept that an odd mistake can happen it really shouldn't be occurring as much as it has been and the affect of young heifers calving or being flushed can be very detrimental to growth rates and viability of the stock.

We continue to look for more suppliers of organic store cattle particularly of quality stock. I'm always happy to discuss your cattle and give advice on marketing. David Bostock who markets the organic dairy stock for OLMC is also keen to find new organic dairy stock suppliers.

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Please view our stock available on

[www.peterjoneslivestock.co.uk](http://www.peterjoneslivestock.co.uk)

## OF&G Licensees in the News

We like to see people in food and farming doing well whoever they are but we are especially proud of those who have chosen to certify their organic businesses with OF&G.

### How organic farmers plan to become more efficient - Farmers Weekly

Edryd and Glenda Davies are making more from marginal mountain ground by mob and rotational grazing to improve grassland so they can operate a low-cost forage-based system and finish lambs off grass.

They run a flock of 570 breeding ewes at Cae-lago, Machynlleth, Powys, supplying finished lambs to Waitrose through the supermarket's organic scheme.

Despite the unit's marginal land being predominantly rocks and bracken, they are stepping up forage production in an attempt to reduce costs, having been inspired by Farming Connect's Prosper from Pasture programme, which helps farmers develop their grassland management.

Cae-lago's four-point plan

- Lime to lift the soil pH from the current pH5.6 to pH6.2
- Rotational graze 21ha in-bye
- Mob graze 80ha on mountain
- Annually under-sow 6ha new leys with triticale to suppress weeds.

The full article is available at -

<https://www.fwi.co.uk/livestock/grassland-management/how-organic-farmers-plan-to-become-more-efficient>

### How a tenant farm manages 3,200ha of Wiltshire grassland - Farmers Weekly

An organic ranch-style farming system is allowing a Wiltshire business to run 490 cows with just two labour units and create a rare and highly valued habitat in the process.

The Waight family farm arable and beef on a Ministry of Defence tenancy at Compton Farm, Enford, on the chalkland of the Salisbury Plain.

Working closely with the MoD and ecologists at Natural England, the crossbred herd grazes sensitive grassland, 70% of which is classed as a site of special scientific interest (SSSI).

The full article is available at -

<https://www.fwi.co.uk/livestock/how-a-tenant-farm-manages-3200ha-of-wiltshire-grassland>

### How an organic pioneer delivers top crop yields - Farmers Weekly

Richard Thompson is using the latest varieties and technology to produce top-performing wheat, barley oilseed rape and potato crops on one of the oldest organic farms in Yorkshire.

Farming using natural methods – relying on the soil to feed the crops, while rotations and varieties reduce the risk of disease and pests – is even more relevant today than it was when his father converted the 120ha farm to organic some 70 years ago, he points out.

“We’re certainly not stuck in the past,” says Mr Thompson, who is also chairman of Organic Farmers and Growers.

“We’re operating a mixed farming system and making good use of modern ideas and integrated

techniques. It just so happens that we do it organically.”

The full article is available at -

<https://www.fwi.co.uk/arable/crop-management/how-an-organic-pioneer-delivers-top-crop-yields>

### Farmer Focus: Choosing the right tools to tackle weeds - Farmers Weekly

John Pawsey - It's too early to tell how our organic harvest is going to pan out, as at the end of July, we have only done two days of harvesting in winter spelt and winter oats.

Both crops have great organic agronomic plusses, in that they are both wonderful champions of weed management, being it from shading or allelopathy, but less predictable in terms of yield than other crops and our early harvesting foray is bearing that out. More next month.

Talking of weeds, I have been spending some time in the run-up to harvest thinking about the tools we will need before sowing to deal with weeds that slipped through the net last year in terms of rotation, cultivations and hoeing.

Generally, the only ploughing done here is before winter beans. The rest of our crops are established with either a disc or a tine, depending on weed species and soil condition.

Cultivation depth can vary, too, depending on the type of weed we are dealing with.

The full article is available at -

<https://www.fwi.co.uk/arable/farmer-focus/farmer-focus-choosing-the-right-tools-to-tackle-weeds>

## OF&G in the news

### GM push will jeopardise markets

**A no-deal Brexit could pave the way for a free-trade deal to be struck between the UK and the US, where genetically-modified crops are engineered for insect resistance or herbicide tolerance and widely grown.**

In the event we believe there are economic and scientific issues to consider.

“The economic issues with GM relate to scale and market access. If UK agriculture adopts GM, then farmers will find they have to bring their costs of production in line with GM producers in the US and China.

“UK agricultural output is equivalent to just a tenth of that of the US and only 2% of Chinese agricultural output – the differences in scale are huge. And post-Brexit, we'll be competing in global markets with some of the largest agricultural operations in the world.

“Also, some EU markets may be closed to GM products, so assuming a trade deal can be agreed, these higher-margin opportunities will be closed to UK producers.”

The full article is available here: <https://www.fwi.co.uk/news/eu-referendum/gm-push-will-jeopardise-markets-warns-organic-body>

## Social Media

Many food businesses have a strong presence on non-mainstream media channels including Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

This includes farmers, food processing enterprises and brand holders.

OF&G are active on these platforms and we are happy to help wherever we can to amplify the message of your food and farming business.

Mark Lea, who farms in Shropshire and is licensed with OF&G, appeared as the farmer in residence on the

Farmers Of The UK twitter account for the week beginning 23 September 2019.

Mark's posts made excellent reading and he clearly described not simply his daily activities on the farm but also gave some context as to why he had chosen certain crops.

See examples here:

<https://twitter.com/FarmersOfTheUK/status/1177904898836455426>

<https://twitter.com/FarmersOfTheUK/status/1177906079918940160?s=20>



## Recently awarded approved inputs

A full list of approved inputs appears on our website <https://ofgorganic.org/useful-info/approved-suppliers>

SUPPLIER	WEBSITE / EMAIL	CATEGORY
Passion Ag Ltd	<a href="https://www.passionag.com/">https://www.passionag.com/</a>	Silage additive

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SUPPLIER	WEBSITE / EMAIL	CATEGORY
Scotmin Nutrition	<a href="https://www.scotmin.com/">https://www.scotmin.com/</a>	Vitamins, minerals and trace elements, Animal Feed Supplement
Andermatt Biocontrol AG	<a href="https://www.biocontrol.ch/">https://www.biocontrol.ch/</a>	Insect Control, Fertilisers
BDC Agri Ltd	<a href="https://www.blackdiamondcommodities.co.uk/">https://www.blackdiamondcommodities.co.uk/</a>	Animal Feed Material
Thinkbio Pty Ltd	<a href="http://thinkbio.com.au/">http://thinkbio.com.au/</a>	Plant Health Products
Pan Agriculture Ltd	<a href="https://www.sovereignsulphur.co.uk/">https://www.sovereignsulphur.co.uk/</a>	Fertilisers
Timac Agro UK Ltd	<a href="https://uk.timacagro.com/">https://uk.timacagro.com/</a>	Vitamins, minerals and trace elements, Slurry Treatment, Soil Conditioners, Plant Health Products
Omex Agriculture Ltd	<a href="http://www.omex.com/">http://www.omex.com/</a>	Fertilisers, Pest Control, Soil Conditioners
Law Fertilisers Ltd	<a href="http://www.lawfertilisers.co.uk/">http://www.lawfertilisers.co.uk/</a>	Fertilisers, Plant Disease Control
Biological Preparations T/A Agriprep Ltd	Tel: 02920 674090	Silage additive
John Hall Fertilisers Limited	<a href="https://www.vitax.co.uk/">https://www.vitax.co.uk/</a>	Fertilisers
ECOSpray Ltd	<a href="http://www.ecospray.com/">http://www.ecospray.com/</a>	Pest Control, Plant Health Products, Animal Feed Additives
Saferock Minerals Ltd	<a href="https://saferockminerals.com/">https://saferockminerals.com/</a>	Soil Conditioners
Unibio A/S	<a href="https://www.unibio.dk/">https://www.unibio.dk/</a>	Animal Feed Additives
Sea-Chem Ltd	<a href="https://www.sea-chem.co.uk/">https://www.sea-chem.co.uk/</a>	Plant Health Products, Compost Additives,
DOSTOFARM GmbH	<a href="https://www.dostofarm.de/">https://www.dostofarm.de/</a>	Animal Feed Additives
Nutrimate Limited	Tel: 01777 870077	Plant Health Products
Pack-It-Hereford Ltd	<a href="http://www.pack-it-hereford.com/">http://www.pack-it-hereford.com/</a>	Ingredients
Venture Foods (UK) Ltd	<a href="http://www.venturefoods.com/">http://www.venturefoods.com/</a>	Ingredients
Mistry's Organic Ltd	<a href="https://www.houseofmistry.com/">https://www.houseofmistry.com/</a>	Fertilisers
Dynamis Homeopathic Medicine	Tel: 02882 250 521	Animal Health Product

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## Items for sale

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CATTLE FOR SALE				
<b>Limousin x and Aberdeen Angus x store cattle</b>	Limousin cross and Aberdeen Angus cross store cattle for sale, please phone for further details.	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, N Yorkshire
<b>Galloway yearling and store cattle</b>	A range of organic quality Galloway's yearlings and stores for sale.	Mr Len Tabner	01287 640948	Saltburn by the sea, N Yorks
<b>Dexter Cattle</b>	Due to need to reduce size of herd	Marcus Staples	07721 658055	Horsham, West Sussex
<b>Organic Hereford cattle for sale</b>	Home bred pedigree Cows and Bulling Heifers for sale.	Mark Steele	07717 366560	Pershore, Worcs
<b>Charolais cross suckler calves for sale</b>	50 Charolais cross suckled calves around 7 months old, all out of proper beef cows, these are well grown good quality well bred calves. They are dehorned and done for black leg. If you don't want 50 will sell a smaller number.	Ian Smith	01566 86155	Altarnun, Cornwall
<b>Cattle Housing available</b>	Cattle housing and grazing available/contract rearing for 200 cattle competitive rates.	Simon Hayes	07711 616303	Shifnal, Shrops
<b>Hereford Heifers</b>	Eight Pedigree, rare breed, Traditional Hereford heifers (16 months) for sale. Top quality stock from the COW HALL organic herd of rugged Herefords from the Welsh Borders. Docile and easy to handle, producing the very best quality beef, our stock are ideal for starting a new herd in the lowlands or uplands and on conservation sites. Shropshire 01588 640307 joy.greenall@greenall1.plus.com	Joy Greenall	01588 640307	Craven Arms, Shrops
<b>Hereford Bull</b>	Pedigree Hereford Bull: Cow Hall Sylvan Survivor born 04/06/17. He has excellent breeding and good conformation. He will suit a cross bred or pedigree Hereford beef herd or be an easy calving, docile bull to run with dairy cows. The Cow Hall herd of Traditional Herefords est. 1997, breeds tough, grass eating stock in the uplands of the Welsh borders. TB free, organic, grass fed.	Joy Greenall	01588 640307	Craven Arms, Shrops
<b>Store cattle</b>	Nine Traditional Hereford store cattle for sale. 16 months old. From the Cow Hall herd of pedigree Herefords Est. 1997, TB free, easy to manage and top quality beef.	Joy Greenall	01588 640307	Craven Arms, Shrops
<b>Organic Devon bulling heifers</b>	15 organic and pedigree Devon bulling heifers for sale. Born march 2018.	Charlie Morrish	07971 230728	Barnstaple, Devon
<b>Devon Bull for sale</b>	Pedigree Devon Bull (Bagnet Plato) born March 2015. Lovely quiet temperament, reluctant sale due to daughters joining herd.	Charlie Morrish	07971 230728	Barnstaple, Devon
<b>Pedigree Charolais Bull for sale</b>	Charolais Bull (Northcoast Icicle), born September 2013. EBV's in top 10%. BCCS Terminal Index +53. Sired by Bleack Digger, renowned for exceptional calving ease and growth rates. Used on my herd of Devon cows for past 5 years with no calving problems and producing well graded carcasses.	Charlie Morrish	07971 230728	Barnstaple, Devon
<b>Charolais X Suckled calves</b>	100 Charolais X suckled calves (6 - 9 months) for sale at Wallets Marts, Castle Douglas on Saturday 5th October. OF&G registered	Alan	07979 758014	Castle Douglas, Wigtownshire
<b>Aberdeen Angus x &amp; sim luing bulling heifers</b>	16-20 months old TB4 all BVD vaccinated in Premium Cattle Health Scheme	Philip Nixon	078023 73553	Hexham, Northumberland
<b>60 AAX &amp; HEX suckled calves</b>	60 AAX and HEX suckled calves for sale, approx 6 months old. Naturally done, well grown.	John Moffat	07789 352330	Ponteland, Northumberland

OTHER LIVESTOCK FOR SALE				
<b>Organic litter</b>	Poultry litter from laying hens approximately three ton per week.	John Richmond	07789 714749	Ballymoney, C antrim
<b>Chicken manure</b>	Chicken manure for sale in Built Wells area.	Viv Powell	01982 570332	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
<b>Organic Turkeys</b>	Fully organic traditional turkeys available for Christmas. We are rearing a mixed herd of 5 breeds, Norfolk Black, Cambridge Bronze, Bourbon Red, Slate Blue, Narragansett and their cross breeds. Based in Staffordshire. Please get in touch for more information. Up to 40 available.	Katie Rubython	07753 801369	Newcastle under Lyme, Staffs

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## General

### **Making sure products are permitted within the OF&G Standards**

The OF&G Certification Committee is an independent committee given authority by the OF&G Board of Directors to oversee the inspection and certification work of all OF&G registered operators to ensure decisions are taken in a consistent and impartial manner. The committee are also required to hear appeals, made by operators, against the decision of their certification officer. One of those

such issues can be where a product or substance has been used that does not comply with the relevant sections of the organic standards, these products/substances can often be recommended by a consultant or sales-person often with an interest in selling a particular product.

The committee have asked that we remind all that, as the registered operator, it is your responsibility to ensure any products or substances that are used on or in your organic

operation both comply with the standards and are permitted to be used.

OF&G operate an 'Approved Input Scheme' where such products are checked by the certification team for compliance with the organic standards and can then be marketed as being permitted for use or permitted for restricted use with prior authorisation.

If you have any questions please contact your certification officer.

## Producers

**If you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to contact your certification officer.**

### **Grass seed approvals and organic percentage**

In early September, members of the Grass/Forage Seed Working Group met to discuss current state of affairs with availability of seeds and the 70% requirement for organic content within a grass and/or forage seed mixture. The industry representatives noted that they were experiencing supply problems with certain types of grass, however, it also recommended that the amount of organic seed required in a mixture stay at 70% for the foreseeable future. If you are using a 70% organic grass and/or forage mixture you may purchase and sow this prior to applying for the necessary approvals. However, these must be obtained before your next inspection is due. If your seed supplier is unable to obtain a 70% organic mixture you must apply for approval to use the seed mixture prior to sowing. In order to gain approval you will need to supply evidence (agronomic justification) as to why the available organic varieties are not suitable.

### **Composted or Fermented Household Waste**

In the May newsletter we informed operators of an amendment Defra have provided regarding the source of products permitted for use as Composted or Fermented Household Waste. As way of a reminder please note that Defra issued a guidance note stating, whilst compost and digestate from specific household collections is still permitted to be used the new interpretation permits the use of compost or digestate utilising feedstocks from 'establishments generating waste similar to households' this includes but is not limited to the production of ready-meals for retail operations; retailers that dispose of unsold food; mass catering operations including canteens, restaurants, takeaways.

In order to use a product the compost or AD plant must be registered under the respective PAS100, Compost Certification Scheme or PAS110, Biofertiliser Certification Scheme. When assessing any products for

use on organic/converting land it is important to note that the organic regulation provides its own limits for the maximum concentration of certain substances (potentially toxic elements) and these are, in some areas, stricter than those defined in the PAS100 and PAS110.

As was previously the case the use of composted or fermented household waste must be approved by OF&G before the application of any products. You can do this by providing a completed copy of Record Sheet 9, a copy of the PAS100 or PAS110 certification and the latest analysis of the product (this must include the PTE results).

# Processors

If you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to contact your certification officer (CO).

## **Fraudulent Certificates**

We have been alerted by the EOCC (European Organic Certifiers Council) to the presence of the following falsified ECOCERT Organic certificate that purports to have been issued to the following operator

- Sofrens Exim Srl in Romania to process and export dried pomegranate seeds

## **Withdrawal of Certificates**

We have also been notified by the EOCC of the withdrawal of Organic certification of the following operators in Moldova;

- ELEVATOR KELLEY GRAINS (Primary production of Cereals and Industrial crops, legumes)
- TERRASEM GRUP LLC (Primary production of Cereals and Industrial crops, legumes)
- WETRADE AGRO LLC (Primary production & Exporter of Cereals and Industrial crops, legumes)

## **Sampling of Products**

We previously notified operators of the requirement as a Control Body to take samples of organic products as part of the European Organic Regulation.

OF&G are required to take samples equivalent to 5% of our total number of Processor and Producer licensees. The samples are tested to detect products that are not permitted within organic systems.

Inspectors will be asking to take samples during annual inspections and it is a legal requirement for this to take place.

If there is any residue detection in any product samples you will be informed and your certification officer will conduct an investigation. We will need to decide whether the product should be detained whilst the investigation takes place. Defra, in cooperation with the UK Control Bodies, has accepted *The Bundesverband Naturkost Naturwaren Herstellung und Handel e. V* or BNN as being the level of detection over which products must

be held whilst the investigation takes place.

Where a residue is detected below the BNN values the organic product will not normally need to be held whilst the investigation takes place. Where a residue detection is above the levels described in the BNN the organic products must be placed on hold and may not be marketed as organic whilst the investigation is completed.

Regardless of the level of residue your CO will require you to supply information relating to the products.

## **First consignees**

Due to many queries regarding the role of a 1st Consignee when importing organic product from outside of the EU we need to point out that the 1st Consignee is required to be certified by a Control Body.

They are also required to register on Traces NT and complete the relevant Box on the EC Certificate of Inspection.

The 1st consignee is the person who receives the consignment and opens/ checks the product on arrival.

Inspectors will be checking this on your EC Certificate of Inspection.

Please be aware that if the 1st consignee is not certified the inspector is required to raise this as a non compliance (NC).

## **Notification when importing from a restricted country**

Operators MUST notify OF&G when importing product from the following restricted countries: Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, China and Ukraine.

This is including Cereals, products of milling, malt, starches, inulin, wheat gluten, oil seeds and oleaginous fruits. Its does not include soya.

We are required to see copies of the additional testing that should be conducted on arrival. Please can you ensure that you notify your Certification Officer when this takes place.

Our inspectors will be asking about this during your inspection.

## Staff News

### Jon Pryce

Many operators will now know our newest member of the processing team, Jon Pryce, who has been with us since the start of the year.



Jon attended Lancaster University in the early 1990's completing a degree in Biological Sciences, specialising in microbiology and animal physiology.

After graduating Jon took a position in the chemistry lab for Muller where he stayed for a number of years. After his time at Muller it seemed a career change was needed and Jon completed a PGCE in secondary science leading him to teaching science subjects as well as some english and french.

Following his time in the education sector Jon moved back in to manufacturing and microbiology with Premier Foods making such notable childhood favourites as Angel Delight!

From here he moved to Chequer Foods now known as CustomPack where they produced bespoke packaging solutions for not only food but also medicine.

In his spare time Jon enjoys swimming and yoga but his real passion is for a round of golf. He can be seen most weekends on the courses of Shropshire where he plays of a healthy handicap of 6 although he's looking to get that down to 5 before the end of the year.

Jon has a wealth of experience and knowledge and I'm sure that will be most invaluable as we allocate him more processors over the coming months.



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# Classified Advertisements

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## Items for sale

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SHEEP FOR SALE				
<b>North Of England Mule ewe lambs</b>	Please phone for further details	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, N. Yorks
<b>Swaledale ewe lambs</b>	Please phone for further details.	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, N. Yorks
<b>Store lambs for sale</b>	1000 store lambs for sale. Northumberland. Hampshire cross. Texel cross.	Charlie Armstrong	07967 553454	Alnwick, Northumberland
<b>300 chx Organic store Lambs for sale</b>	300 store lambs ch x lleyn Dinas Mawddwy mid Wales	Elwyn Jones	01650 531330	Machynlleth, Powys
<b>Beautiful Organic Black Welsh Mountain Shearling Ewes</b>	Organic Yearling ewes for sale. OF&G Reg. No. UKF004094. Porth-y-Parc Flock BWM 1219. Sire: Porth-y-Parc Sir Alf Tupper. UK 0728766 00133. 10 pedigree organic shearling ewes from registered ram; beautiful condition; ready for tugging. Really friendly, bucket trained. Ideal for starter flock. Will split.	Roz Smart / Pip Little	01873 850328	Abergavenny, Monmouthshire
<b>51 Pedigree Lleyn yearling ewes</b>	Pedigree Lleyn yearlings run dry. MV accredited, Signet recorded, heptavac and footvax	Tim	07432 190368	Bromyard, Herefordshire
<b>20 Pedigree Poll Dorset ewe lambs</b>	20 Pedigree Poll Dorset ewe lambs for sale. Born in March 2019. MV accredited. Heptavac P plus system. Please contact me for more details.	Fred-MacGregor Farming Partnership	07719 488504	Norwich, Norfolk
<b>4 Pedigree Poll Dorset ram lambs</b>	4 Pedigree Poll Dorset ram lambs for sale. MV accredited. Heptavac P Plus system. Born: 26/2/19, 27/2/19, 4/3/19, 8/3/19. All well grown and ready for work this autumn. Please contact me for more details.	Fred-MacGregor Farming Partnership	07719 488504	Norwich, Norfolk
<b>Aberfield breeding ewelambs</b>	200 Organic Aberfield cross breeding ewelambs. Out of Highlander ewes and sired by Elite Aberfield rams. Born in April from closed outdoor lambing flock. Happy to split, discount for larger amounts.	Phil Cowcher	07817 737602	Llandysul, Ceredigion
<b>200 Highlander breeding ewelambs</b>	200 Organic Highlander breeding ewelambs. From Elite Highlander rams. Born in April from closed outdoor lambing flock. Happy to split, discount for larger amounts.	Phil Cowcher	07817 737602	Llandysul, Ceredigion
<b>Organic Store lambs for sale</b>	Approximately 70-100 Organic registered and farm assured store lambs. Texel cross born April 2019.	Mr Len Tabner	01287 640948	Saltburn by the sea, N. Yorks
<b>Top quality New Zealand Romney shearlings for sale</b>	100 New Zealand Romney shearlings for sale from Shimpling Park Farms. Out of top WairereUK rams and selected from twin bearing ewes. Farm Assured and organically certified. Ready for collection.	Robert Spink	07935 302873	Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk
<b>7 Blue Texel x shearlings for sale</b>	7 Organic Blue texel x 2018 shearlings for sale. Sale due to flock reduction, home bred. From an outdoor lambing flock. Farm assured and registered organic with QWFC. Combinex and Vetrazine on 15/08/19. Viewing is welcome. Can deliver, message for costing. Prefer them to stay together but could split.	John	07817 786087	Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan
<b>15 Black Welsh x Blue Texel shearlings for sale</b>	15 Organic Blue texel x Black welsh 2018 shearlings for sale. Sale due to flock reduction, home bred. From an outdoor lambing flock, good cross for lambing outdoors with good confirmation. Farm assured and registered organic with QWFC. Combinex and Vetrazine on 15/08/19. Viewing is welcome. Can deliver, message for costing. Prefer them to stay together but could split.	John	07817 786087	Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan
<b>Easycare Ewes, Gimmers &amp; Ewe lambs</b>	100 Mixed Age Ewes & 45 Gimmers available. Ruthlessly selected for easy lambing, good constitution and performance from pasture. Run in a paddock grazing system.	Charley Walker	07825 838924	Duns, Berwickshire

## SHEEP FOR SALE CONT/...

<b>8 Badgerface Torddu x shearlings for sale</b>	8 Organic Badgerface torddu x 2018 shearlings for sale. Sale due to flock reduction, home bred. From an outdoor lambing flock, good for lambing outdoors with good confirmation. Farm assured and registered organic with QWFC. Combinex and Vetrazine on 15/08/19. Viewing is welcome. Can deliver, message for costing. Prefer them to stay together but could split.	John	07817 786087	Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan
<b>4 Texel x shearlings for sale</b>	4 Organic Texel x 2018 shearlings for sale. Sale due to flock reduction, home bred. From an outdoor lambing flock; from a Blue Texel sire. Farm assured and registered organic with QWFC. Combinex and Vetrazine on 15/08/19. Viewing is welcome. Can deliver, message for costing.	John	07817 786087	Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan
<b>NZ Romney ewe lambs</b>	250 April born ewe lambs, will split.	John Lloyd	07870 748933	Caersws, Powys
<b>Organic Ewes</b>	200 ewes easy care x chev 55 apiece	A Smith	07960 738791	Launceston, Cornwall
<b>Organic North of England Mule Gimmer Lambs</b>	300 Organic North of England Mule Gimmer Lambs for sale born March 2019, for sale. Topping and Running lambs available.	Mark Jenkinson	079703 25502	Kirkby Stephen, Cumbria
<b>Store lambs</b>	Organic store lambs texel x 300 to 400 available ovivac p vaccinated	Lyndon	07985 604440	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
<b>Organic store lambs</b>	Store lambs for sale ,Welsh & Welsh x from £40,Llandrindod wells,mid wales..	Keith allen	01597 860491	Llandrindod wells, Powys
<b>Welsh Mule Ewe Lambs</b>	Selling both white faced and coloured ewe lambs. Open to offers	Stephen Powell	07940 023532	Llandrindod Wells, Powys
<b>150 - 200 Easycare store Lambs</b>	Some nearly ready for killing. Newquay	John Julian	07929 729239	Newquay, Cornwall
<b>130 Organic Lleyn X Shearling's for sale</b>	We have for sale, some well bred shearlings. All were twin born from a grass/forage only, outdoor lambing system. Please ring for more information on the breeding and price. Bucks area.	Nigel Coote	07974 971414	Aylesbury, Bucks
<b>store lambs</b>	150 store lambs healthy stock	a smith	07960 738791	launceston, Cornwall
<b>Ewe lambs</b>	80 Improved welsh ewe lambs, born in April	Keith allen	01597 860491	Llandrindod wells, Powys
<b>organic store lamb</b>	Organic cheviot x lamb for sale. Please ring for details	ian smith	01566 86155 / 07779 987580	Altarnun, Cornwall

## DAIRY CATTLE FOR SALE

<b>10x Autumn calving Organic Pedigree Br.Friesian Heifers</b>	Due from the end of August, select from a group. Buy now or when calved. 2yr. old , by high daughter fertility, AI and home bred sires. In-calf to B.Fr out-cross home bred bulls and ped A/Angus sweeper bull. IBR and Lepto vaccinated. Johnes and BVD screened herd. TB clear, 1yr. testing area. 6000ltr [305] 4.1% and 3.5% block calving closed herd.	David Moreton	07836 769853	Wotton-under-Edge S. Gloucestershire
<b>Fresh milking Heifers</b>	Freshly calved Friesian Holstein heifers from Denmark, high health status. currently milking very well 28-45kgs. Price includes delivery	Ryann Spackman	07375 542536	Oxford, Oxon
<b>3 Organic in-calf holstein friesian heifers, Cumbria TB4</b>	3 Organic in-calf holstein friesian heifers from herd averaging 8700 litres. In calf to easy calving stabiliser bull due 4/9/19 onwards.	Stephen Ewbank	07890 046218	Kirkby Stephen Cumbria
<b>16 Organic In Calf Holstein Friesian Heifers For Sale</b>	In calf to Pedigree Aberdeen Angus Bull, due approximately November 2019, from herd averaging 8,000 kgs, vaccinated for Leptospirosis, BVD, Blackleg, Huskvac, regular Johnes testing. Farm Assured.	Tom Harvey	01404 841341	Honiton Devon

## MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

<b>Cattle stalls for sale</b>	20 old style steel cubing cattle stalls available.	Mr TL Gibson	07713 480782	Hexham, Northumberland
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FORAGE & FEEDSTUFFS FOR SALE				
<b>Organic haylage for sale</b>	300 bales of organic haylage for sale. Please telephone for enquiries or further details as not on email.	Mr Morgans	01597 870210	Llanidloes, Powys
<b>Organic Meadow Hay</b>	Organic meadow hay available in quadrant bales all made good June and July 2019, seen no rain. All made on permanent pasture. Good access and loading. Round bales also available.	Jamie Cullimore	07717 534933	Gloucester, Glos
<b>Organic Hay</b>	Lovely organic small bale meadow hay, July 2019. Barn stored, 350 bales available.	Claire Taylor	07802 432539	Honiton, Devon
<b>Organic round bale hay for sale</b>	Good quality organic certified round bale meadow hay. Made in the dry, 1st week in July and barn stored.	Dave Bartlett	07944 425323	Wells, Somerset
<b>500 + Round Bales Organic silage/ Haylage for sale</b>	500+ Round bales of Organic Silage / Haylage for sale. Excellent quality, baled and wrapped with Fusion baler. Good solid bales, free loading this end.	Martyn Glover	01392 461302/07860 835754	Exeter, Devon
<b>Organic Round Baled Silage for Sale in Cheshire</b>	Over 500 bales of organic baled silage for sale. High ME & DM first cut from high sugar grass and clover reseeds suitable for milking cows. Middle energy high DM bales suitable for youngstock. Dry haylage from low potassium index fields also available. High density large bales from new McHale Fusion combination round baler. Six layers green wrap. Loading available - near Malpas, Cheshire.	A & DE Baker	07966 988665	Malpas, Cheshire
<b>Organic Haylage</b>	Hi we have surplus organic haylage this years 1st cut, up to 200 euro bales £15 each Ryegrass	Umran Khan	01621 745450	Latchingdon, Essex
<b>Fodder Beet available from October</b>	Organic Fodder Beet available from mid October also Hay, Haylage, Big Bale Silage and Wheat and Oat Straw, competitive Rates. 7 miles from M6 junction 12. Please Ring for details.	Simon Hayes	07711 616303	Shifnal, Shropshire
<b>Organic Meadow hayer sale in Bucks</b>	We have about 40 x five foot bales cut in July 2019 for sale. Not seen any rain. Certified by the Soil Association. Can help load. The fields were grazed by our own organic sheep in the winter. Ragwort free.	Farokh Khoroshi	01296 711107	Buckingham, Bucks
<b>Ground Beans for sale</b>	We have approximately three tons of ground beans in small bags.	Philip Wadsworth	07974 387663	Thirsk, N. Yorks
<b>Square bale silage</b>	We have approximately 150 big square bale of silage.	Philip Wadsworth	07974 387663	Thirsk, N. Yorks
<b>Organic Grass/ Clover Silage</b>	We have a large quantity of Grass/Clover Silage and some Wholecrop wheat for sale. Well clamped and additive treated.	Tom Appleby	07725 740041	Evesham, Worcs
<b>20 Round Bales Organic Silage</b>	Good quality silage bales.	Tom Mettyear	07810 628504	Sturminster Newton, Dorset
<b>80 Organic Round bale wheat straw</b>	Clean bales, baled dry and stored in shed. Offers. Newquay	John Julyan	07929 729239	Newquay, Cornwall
<b>Organic Barley, Wheat and Beans for Sale</b>	We have growers with feed wheat, barley and beans for sale. If you are interested in these for your own farm use, please get in touch. Delivery Nationwide	Gemma	01529 421081	Grantham, Lincs
<b>Organic feed Wheat</b>	Approx 15t Organic Wheat for sale	Philip Wadsworth	07974 387663	Thirsk, N Yorks
<b>Organic Beans</b>	Approx 20t organic beans for sale	Philip Wadsworth	07974 387663	Thirsk, N. Yorks
<b>Organic Round Bales Silage Armagh N.I</b>	Organic round bales for sale second cut good solid bales made with McHale fusion baler	RICHARD THOMPSON	07753 910818	Armagh, C Armagh
<b>Meadows Hay in Big Squares</b>	Hay made from traditional, soft-stemmed grasses grown on our River Avon flood meadows. None of that nasty coarse ryegrass or ragwort or thistles. Well made and baled in the sun. 300 bales 4'x3'x8' available weighing about 500kg. Three miles from M5 Junc 9.	Carl Gray	07771 985908	Tewkesbury, Glos
<b>Baled Forage Clearance</b>	Organic 4ft Round Bale Silage made 3rd week of May from Ryegrass & Clover leys - £20/bale Organic Permanent Pasture Hay in 4 string 80x90 square bales baled 3rd week of June £25/bale Organic 4ft Round Bale Ryegrass Haylage made 2nd week of June - £20/bale Organic Ryegrass Haylage in 6 string 120x90 square bales approx 600kgs £30/bale Organic Barley Straw in 4 string 80x90 square bales - suitable for feeding or bedding £20/bale All great access for loading lorries. Loading no issues. Based 10mins from J18 of M4.	Cotswold Bale Co.	07816 386945	Tetbury, Glos
<b>June meadow hay</b>	Meadow hay cut and baled in June. 80 quadrant 6-string 7ft bales. From our own permanent pasture, ragwort and thistle free, stored in closed barn. Will split if required.	Martin Gardener	07927 486375	Wells, Somerset

LAND AND GRAZING FOR SALE				
<b>Organic sheep keep</b>	60 acres well fenced organic sheep keep in North Devon. Available now til December. Clean grazing, previously cut in June.	Charles morrish	07971 230728	Barnstaple, Devon
<b>Organic winter tack 70 acres South Wales</b>	Organic winter tack 70 acres South Wales near Cardiff.	John	07817 786087	Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan
<b>Organic sheep grazing in Bucks</b>	We have about 11 acres of organic meadow grass for grazing. Divided in 4 x well fenced fields each with it's own water supply. 12 foot hay feeders and troughs available. Good access and very safe. Near Buckingham.	Farokh Khorooshi	01296 711107	Buckingham, Bucks
<b>Organic meadow hay and silage for sale</b>	Organic meadow hay and silage for sale. Large round bales. Delivery can be arranged.	Nils (on behalf of TL Gibson)	07790 381346	Hexham, Northumberland

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE				
<b>Ashclyst Farm Hostel</b>	Accommodation available at Ashclyst Farm Hostel, 5 bedroom house on a 90 hectare organic arable Farm, part of the National Trust Killerton Estate at Broadclyst, near Exeter in East Devon. Accommodation let as whole house (sleeps 10) or per twin/double room. For more details please contact us.	Martyn Glover	01392 461302	Exeter, Devon
<b>Mixed farm job wanted</b>	33 year old British male. I've worked in the industry 16 years with livestock. Huge passion for native and rare breeds and the countryside. Competent with all livestock and machinery altho limited arable experience. Based in Essex will relocate.	Jamie Taylor	07814 204269	Colchester, Essex
<b>Organic Poultry Manure Available</b>	Regular supply of Organic Poultry Manure available. Please contact Potters Farm Production LLP for further details.	Adrian Potter	01845 578376	Thirsk, N. Yorks
<b>Poultry Litter</b>	For Sale Approximately 18 tonnes poultry litter	P J Barrell	01544 318510	Leominster, Herefordshire

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SHEEP WANTED				
<b>Organic Lambs Required</b>	Dalehead Foods are looking for organic finished lambs & organic store lambs, from Jan-June. If you would be interested in supplying or being an organic finisher, email lambsupplychain@dalehead.co.uk	Dalehead Foods	01834 869 043	UK
<b>OLMC are looking for store lambs</b>	The Organic Livestock Marketing Co-operative (OLMC) are looking for store lambs throughout the UK	Peter Jones	07720 892922	Cheshire

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED				
<b>Herd Manager</b>	We are seeking a herd manager for a new organic dairy farm in West Dorset. May suit a couple. Accommodation available to the right applicant. Salary negotiable. Please send CV to: charlie@urlless.co.uk	Charlotte Hemsley	01935 891528	Crewkerne, Dorset
<b>ORGANIC FARMS WANTED</b>	Are you looking for a second income? Organic Farms wanted to grow Organic Chicken. 10 acres required per farm with long term growing contracts.	Viran Abeyseena	07832 854012	Haverfordwest, Pems
<b>Local to Shaftesbury Organic Providers</b>	We have been asked to source local organic producers who would be interested in supplying the following quantities on a weekly/ monthly basis to a school in Shaftesbury September - July inclusive. Chicken Breasts: 90kg per month. Potatoes 150 kg per month. Salads 18kg per month. Tomatoes 70kg per month. Eggs 200 eggs per month. Please let me know if you are interested, what capacity you can reach, and who you supply at the moment.	Penny Nagle	01963 370857	Shaftesbury, Dorset

LAND & GRAZING WANTED				
<b>Winter organic grazing required for sheep.</b>	Please contact to discuss further.	Ray Calvert	01748 886412	Richmond, N. Yorks
<b>Organic grazing</b>	I want sheep grazing/tack for winter, anywhere considered. I am in mid wales.	Keith	01597 860491	Llandrindod wells, Powys