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## WERN

**Key Sector:** Poultry

Exploring optimal environment conditions for free-range laying hens i.e. air, litter and water to increase bird health and therefore productivity and profitability.

## **FARM FACTS:**

- Wern Demonstration Farm is a 486 hectare (ha) mixed holding farmed by Osian Williams and his parents, Dafydd and Eleri, and his partner, Nikki.
- Osian is the fourth generation of the Williams family to farm Wern, an upland farm rising from 700 to 1400 feet.
- The farm specialises in beef, lamb and free range laying hens
- The poultry enterprise was established in 2011. The unit houses 32,000 Bovan Brown hens on a multi-tier equipment system. The farm recently introduced its eighth flock to the system, keeping the flock from 74 80 weeks of age.

Farming Connect follow-on support	Details
<b>E-learning</b> - Short bite-sized interactive learning from the comfort of your own home, at a time convenient to you	Available courses include:  • Climate Change and Livestock  • Farm Nutrient Management  • Farmyard Composting  • Injurious Pecking in Laying Hens  • Managing Poultry Manure  • Poultry Parasites  • Poultry Vaccination  • Respiratory Disease in Poultry
Face to face training - 80% funding support available towards animal health related courses	Available courses include:  Poultry Passport - Hygiene and Biosecurity  Poultry Passport - Welfare  Preparing for IPPC regulations  Lion Training Passport: Biosecurity, Security and Egg Handling  Lion Training Passport: Poultry Welfare Management  Lion Training Passport: Poultry Welfare Operative
Surgeries - Fully funded one-to-one digital surgeries with an independent consultant/vet.	Topics include:  • Nutrition  • Soil and grassland management  • Animal health issues
ICT Programme	<ul> <li>One-to-one telephone or digital tutoring for those with basic ICT skills being held digitally or on the telephone</li> <li>Basic ICT skills homeworking course available throughout the summer with telephone support from land-based colleges.</li> </ul>
Advisory Service	<ul> <li>Business planning</li> <li>Nutrient management planning</li> <li>Building Design</li> <li>Diversification advice</li> <li>Husbandry management</li> </ul>



