



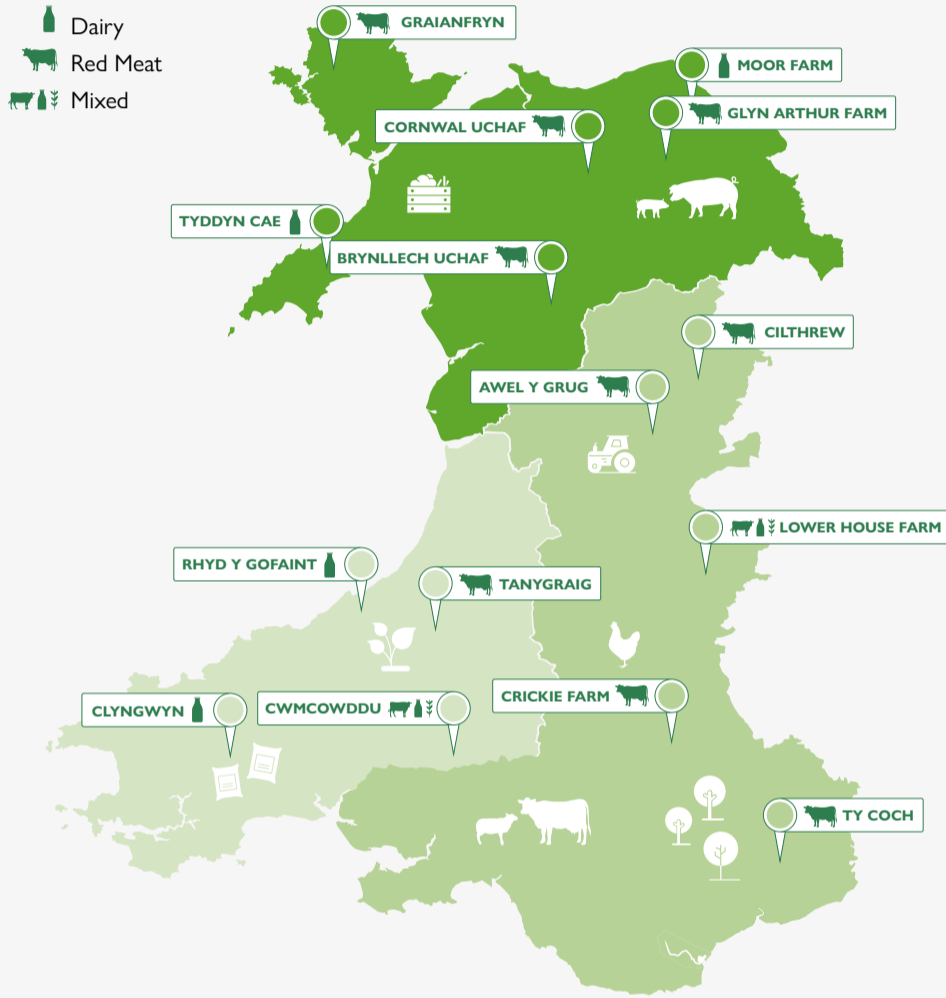
Land

Our Farms

15 new farms join the Our Farms Network = 30 in total

8 of the farms will focus on Land based projects:

- Improving soil health through new monitoring technology
- Determining the best system for herbal ley establishment
- Smart water management



Advisory Service

Instances supported by service:



Feedback

"Made improvements to water drainage and are now reviewing all waste management and we will make improvements to the slurry pit"

"Will have a more efficient and targeted use of nutrients when applying fertiliser in spring. We will need to sow lime."

Discussion Groups

Theme	Number of Discussion Group meetings	Hours of Knowledge Transfer	Individuals Supported
Land	25	48.5	93

Examples of discussions relating to Land:
YEN Grain Analysis | Grazing Design | Spring Grazing Management

Mentoring

- 68 Individuals had access to mentoring on topics
- 275 mentoring hours
- 81 mentoring sessions
- 28% of all sessions were related to this theme

Individuals are requesting mentoring on the following topics:



Applications received

- Grassland management 6
- Nutrient management planning 1
- Regenerative farming 1
- Water quality 3
- Woodland management 2

Extracts from mentoring diaries include:

- "We discussed appropriate tree choices for a silvopasture with horses and looked at a recently planted new woodland and talked about how to use a mycorrhizal inoculant to enhance growth."
- "Discussion around Habitat Wales Scheme and SFS Consultation."
- "We discussed reseeding including the type of seeds, establishment techniques, weed management and timings."

Agrisgôp

5 Agrisgôp meetings have taken place:

- 26 attendees
- 11 hours

Groups that met during this period focussed on:

- Visit to Coed Dulas. They talked us through the challenges of establishing the trees and some of the ways he has found to overcome those challenges as well as some of the mistakes he made.
- We reviewed the document 'The Teifi River: Our land, our community' and the potential of the impact of the document being worked out in the Teifi area. We discussed possible stakeholders and how best to engage with them.
- A webinar which was a summary of the Nuffield paper written by Dr Alice Jones on cultivating elder for the UK drinks industry.

e-Learning



51 **38 unique individuals** were supported from **35 businesses**. The majority from the Agriculture-Beef sector.


They completed 51 modules.

Popular modules included:

MODULE	Individuals supported
e-Learning: Mandatory Unit: Pesticide Safety	27
e-Learning: Grassland Species	3
e-Learning: Agroceuticals - Daffodils and Alzheimer's	3

There are now **34 e-Learning** modules available on BOSS. The new modules added include:

- e-Learning: Overview of Reduce, Reuse and Recycle Inputs, Nutrients and Waste
- e-Learning: Reducing Emissions and Improving Sequestration on Farm
- e-Learning: Grassland management (including multi-species swards and mixed grazing)
- e-Learning: Building Soil Fertility (slurry/muck, crop rotation, green manures)
- e-Learning: Nutrient management planning

 One new Accredited E-learning suite was launched on BOSS: **Transition to SFS: An Introduction to Sustainable Farming**. Of the 6 modules included within this, 3 are for Land themed courses.

Horticulture



5 Horticulture events supported **43 individuals** from **35 different businesses**

Events included: Introduction to flower farming, setting up as a sustainable farmer - grower and Smart utilisation of an integrated pest and disease management system.

89% of attendees rated the content of the day as 4* or above. 100% said that they had learnt something new.

Feedback:

"Yesterday was amazing, and one of the best study days I've been on! Very informative and Justine was a great host, easy to listen to, very funny and very passionate about flowers. I loved it!! Exactly the day I thought and hoped it would be. She touched on a little bit of everything, both growing and business wise which was perfect and extremely helpful!" - Introduction to flower farming

 **20 horticulture business support sessions** delivered to **28 individuals** from **19 businesses**

Water use, new technologies, product efficiency and growing mediums have featured in a majority of sessions.

Feedback:

"The zoom session was extremely useful and productive - Horticulture business support session looking at horticultural tourism with Wales, focusing on preparation including weed management and the required inputs."

Accredited Training



66 unique individuals were supported from **52 businesses**, undertaking **70 training courses**.

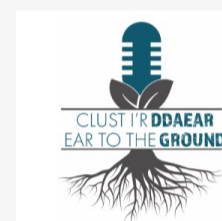
860 hours of training were delivered, the most popular courses being:

Course	Individuals Supported	Hours of Training Delivered
Level 2 Award in Rodent Management	22	140
Basic Tree Inspection	9	58
Chainsaw maintenance and cross-cutting	8	102
Chainsaw maintenance, cross-cutting, felling and processing trees up to 380mm	8	299

Quote from Individual Supported:

Rodent Management: *"The entire course was essential learning and knowing the difference between rats and mice and ways of controlling without using poison was ideal."*

Ear to the Ground



Episode 92:

An insight into the current situation in terms of the carbon footprint of beef and sheep farms in Wales

Clinics



472 soils clinics completed

Feedback:

"Service was brilliant. Explained everything to us step by step and in detail." "An invaluable and informative service."

Surgeries



25 Surgeries completed

Topics included:

-  Woodland
-  Grassland
-  Regenerative agriculture & Biodiversity

Feedback:

"Good, informative meeting, I look forward to implementing what we discussed in practice and seeing the results in my crops"

Masterclasses



 **318 attendees** across **19 Masterclasses** including -

- > Master Regen
- > Master Grass
- > Master Herbal

Feedback:

"I really enjoyed the Master Regen. It was good to hear from other farmers, have some good discussion and be able to visit other farms."

