



Mitigating and adapting to climate change

Accredited Training



Examples of courses include:
BASIS Foundation in Agronomy
BASIS FACTS
Grassland Systems (IBERS)
Practical Hedge laying
Peatland Restoration
Soil Science (IBERS)
Sustainable Supply Systems (IBERS)
Woodland Management for Conservation

1299
courses have been
completed within
this period

Feedback: “There was good information on cultural controls, soil health and integrated pest management, all of which I hope to implement over the coming months and years.” BASIS Foundation in Agronomy

Horticulture Training



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Intervention	Number of businesses supported	Number of participants supported	Number of events (sessions)
Training course places	66	135	15
Horticulture business support	36	65	56
Horticulture supply chain clusters	9	10	1

Examples of training titles:

- › Herb propagation,
- › Scale up production,
- › Introduction to plant passporting

Feedback: “Thank you Farming Connect, these sessions are really helping me to gain confidence in my business practice.”

E-learning



2979 modules have been completed within this period, examples include:

Modules
Climate Change and Land Management
Climate Change and Livestock
Building Soil Carbon
Agroforestry
Efficient Water Use (Including Harvesting and Storage)
Managing Peatland
Natural Capital and Net Zero
Reducing Emissions and Improving Sequestration on Farm

Welsh Sheep Genetics Programme



16 During this period, 16 WSGP events were held, all with the underpinning theme of mitigating and adapting to climate change by genetic improvement.

Event type	Number of events	Number of attendees
Annual review meetings	3	159
Study tour	1	9
Workshops	4	57
Clinics (one to one)	5	6
On-farm dissemination event	1	39
Webinar	2	24

Work was also completed on the ‘Breeding for reduced methane emissions’ project with the aim of producing a EBV for methane which can be used in a maternal flock. 2,149 lambs from 14 flocks were PAC measured to record their methane emissions between January 2024-January 2026.

Clinics



340 clinics were completed

Topics included: CoAP paperwork support and soil

Surgeries



792 Surgeries completed

Topics included: Energy efficiency and carbon

Discussion Groups



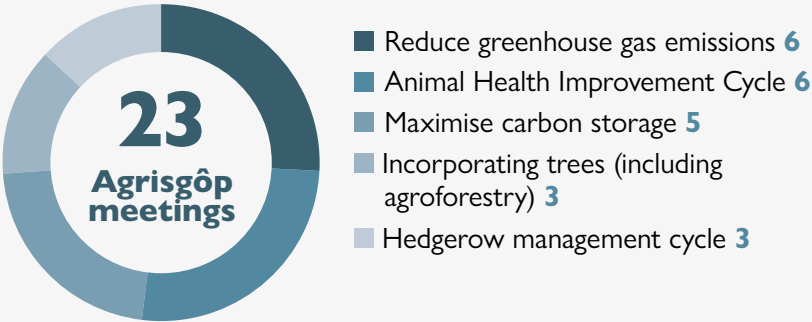
123 During this period the meeting content of 123 Discussion Groups supported mitigating and adapting to climate change.

Topics included: Establishment of hedges on farm | Flock vaccination & booster planning | Carbon myth busting

Agrisgôp



23 Agrisgôp meetings held included:



Meetings included:

- The meeting included an online session with Victoria from AHDB, who outlined the development and use of TB Advantage and demonstrated how genetic selection, including semen choice and herd genetics, can improve resistance to TB and other diseases. The discussion highlighted how improving herd genetics can enhance animal health, while also contributing to reduced carbon footprints, with consideration given to maintaining fertility.

The Beacons Renewables group had an action learning session, enabling open discussion, shared problem solving, and collaborative development of renewable energy and efficiency solutions. The session highlighted the value of collaboration, knowledge sharing, and peer support in addressing energy challenges affecting both farms, businesses, and the wider community.

Advisory Service



2751 Advisory claims were processed in this period, the breakdown is:

Category of advice	Number of claims
Grassland and crop management	1964
Business planning	368
Specialist vet advice	315
Other advice	104

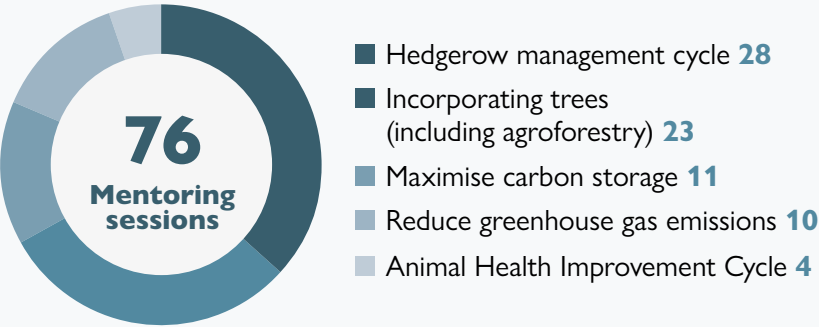
Strategic Awareness Events



39 strategic awareness events took place

Topics include: Preparing for the Sustainable Farming Scheme, Diversifying – How to choose your route?

Mentoring



Examples of diary extracts include:

- We walked the land looking at: hedgerows, with a view to thickening them where necessary and adding new ones where possible; water flows, drainage and pond creation, where best to site a new plant coppice woodland.

Animal Health and Welfare Workshops



825 participants have completed an AH&W workshop in this period.

Examples of workshops include:	
Animal Health Improvement in your beef herd within the SFS	134
Animal Health Improvement in your flock within the SFS	75
Antibiotic Resistance	60
Managing Breeding Bulls	37
Maximising Suckler Cow Productivity	24
Feeding the Flock for Optimal Performance	17

Feedback: “So many factors associated with antibiotic usage reduction. Ensure antibiotic use is essential and consider alternative farming practices to prevent rather than cure. Great presentation by the Vets.”

Our Farms Network



At **Awel y Grug**, reducing purchased feed from 56.76 kg to 6.94 kg per ewe between 2023–2025 cut indirect CO₂ emissions from feed by 91.6% per ewe, demonstrating the carbon benefits of improved flock performance and grass based management.

