



# Environment and Biodiversity -Paul Chapman

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- Cross Compliance
  - Statutory Management Requirements (SMR)
  - Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition (GAEC)
  - River Don Priority Catchment
- Greening
  - Ecological Focus Area (EFA)
  - Crop Diversification (2 or 3 Crop Rule)
- SRDP
  - Agri-Environment Climate Scheme (AECS)



# Cross Compliance (GAEC)

## Buffer Strips along watercourses (GAEC 5 & GBR 20)





# Cross Compliance (GAEC)

Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions to limit erosion (GAEC 5 & GBR 19)





# River Don Priority Catchment



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The European Agricultural Fund  
for Rural Development  
Europe investing in rural areas



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# River Don Priority Catchment Meeting



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**Date** Wednesday 8 February 2017

**Time** 7.30pm

**Venue** Logie Durno Village Hall, Pitcaple, Aberdeenshire AB51 5EJ



# Greening



**Watch out for:  
Grass going over 5 years old in 2017  
Old grass (>5 years) being ploughed**



# Greening



**Using Fallow for Hay/Silage Production**



# AECS

## Agri-Environment Climate Scheme (AECS) 2017



Annual Management Payments (5-year commitment)		
Wild Bird Seed for Farmland Birds	£322.63/ha	+£232.34/ha for establishment every 1 or 2 years
Forage Brassica Crops for Farmland Birds	£463.36/ha	
Stubbles Followed by Green Manure	£498.49/ha	+£278.16/ha for establishment each year
Winter Stubbles for Wildlife and Water Quality	£96.18/ha	
Unharvested Conservation Headlands for Wildlife	£657.57/ha	
Beetlebanks	£495.64/ha	+£333.28/ha for establishment (1st year)
Grass Strips in Arable Fields	£495.62/ha	+£333.51/ha for establishment (1st year)
Water Margins in Arable Fields	£495.62/ha	+£333.51/ha for establishment (1st year)
Water Margins in Grassland Fields	£123.42/ha	
Wader Grazed Grassland	£80.00/ha	
Wader and Wildlife Mown Grassland	£149.75/ha	
Corn Buntings Mown Grassland	£237.09/ha	
Species-rich Grassland Management	£109.56/ha	
Species-rich Grassland Creation and Management	£204.80/ha	+£754.42/ha for establishment (1st year)
Woodland Management - Livestock only	£24.84/ha	
Woodland Management - Deer and Livestock	£24.84/ha	
Stock Disposal	£24.84/ha	
Stock Disposal Supplement for Scottish LSP	£24.84/ha	
Arable Wintering Sheep	£25.83/ha	
Summer Hill Grazing of Cattle	£25.83/ha	
Health Management (Livestock)	£136.27/ha	
Predator Control - crow control	£209.80/ha	
Predator Control - mammal and crow control	£25.83/ha	
Wildlife Friendly Predator Control	£140.00/ha	
Woodland Management	£204.80/ha	
Woodland Creation and Management	£204.80/ha	
Lowland Bog Management	£27.40/ha	
Lowland Bog Management with grazing	£27.40/ha	
Management of Buffer Areas for Fens & Lowland Bogs	£215.38/ha	+£2036.82/ha for establishment (1st year)
Management/Restoration of Hedgerows	£20.11/ha	
Creation of Hedgerows	£1.33/ha	
Tall Herb Vegetation Management	£25.24/ha	
Managing Scrub of Conservation Value	£74.14/ha	
Ancient Wood Pasture	£40.93/ha	
Habitat Mosaic Management	£104.63/ha	
Conservation Management of Small Units	£77.78/ha	
Cattle Management on Small Units (Introduction)	£163.63/ha	
Cattle Management on Small Units (Retention)	£107.38/ha	
Converting Arable at Risk of Erosion or Flooding to Low Input Grassland	£204.80/ha	+£333.51/ha for establishment (1st year)
Management of Floodplains	£27.40/ha	

\*Options are targeted geographically and may not be available in all areas. Some payment rates may be subject to change. For further details see [www.burgherment.co.uk](http://www.burgherment.co.uk)



## Agri-Env

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Rabbit Pa

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Client Hogweed - Primary treatment	£2,500/ha
Montealegre Balsam - Primary treatment	£2,500/ha
Japanese Knotweed - Follow-up monitoring and treatment	£700.00/ha
Client Hogweed - Follow-up monitoring and treatment	£940.00/ha
Montealegre Balsam - Follow-up monitoring and treatment	£940.00/ha
Rhododendron eradication	£2,200-7,500/ha
Patent Spray / Treatment for Rhododendron Control	£200.00/ha
Follow-up Rhododendron Treatment	£200.00/ha



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Retention of Winter  
Stubbles reduced  
from £299.44/ha  
To  
£96.18/ha



# AECS

## Agri-Environment Climate Scheme



- Open for new applications until 31<sup>st</sup> March
- 5-year commitment starting in January 2018
- Competitive (points system)
- Changes to scoring for 2017:
  - Extra points for applications <£20,000
  - No restrictions on amount of fencing for applications <£20,000

# Water Margins



£5.50 per metre for stock fencing



# Water Margins



£495.62/ha  
(arable fields)  
£123.42/ha  
(grass fields)

**No payment on  
2m GAEC strip**



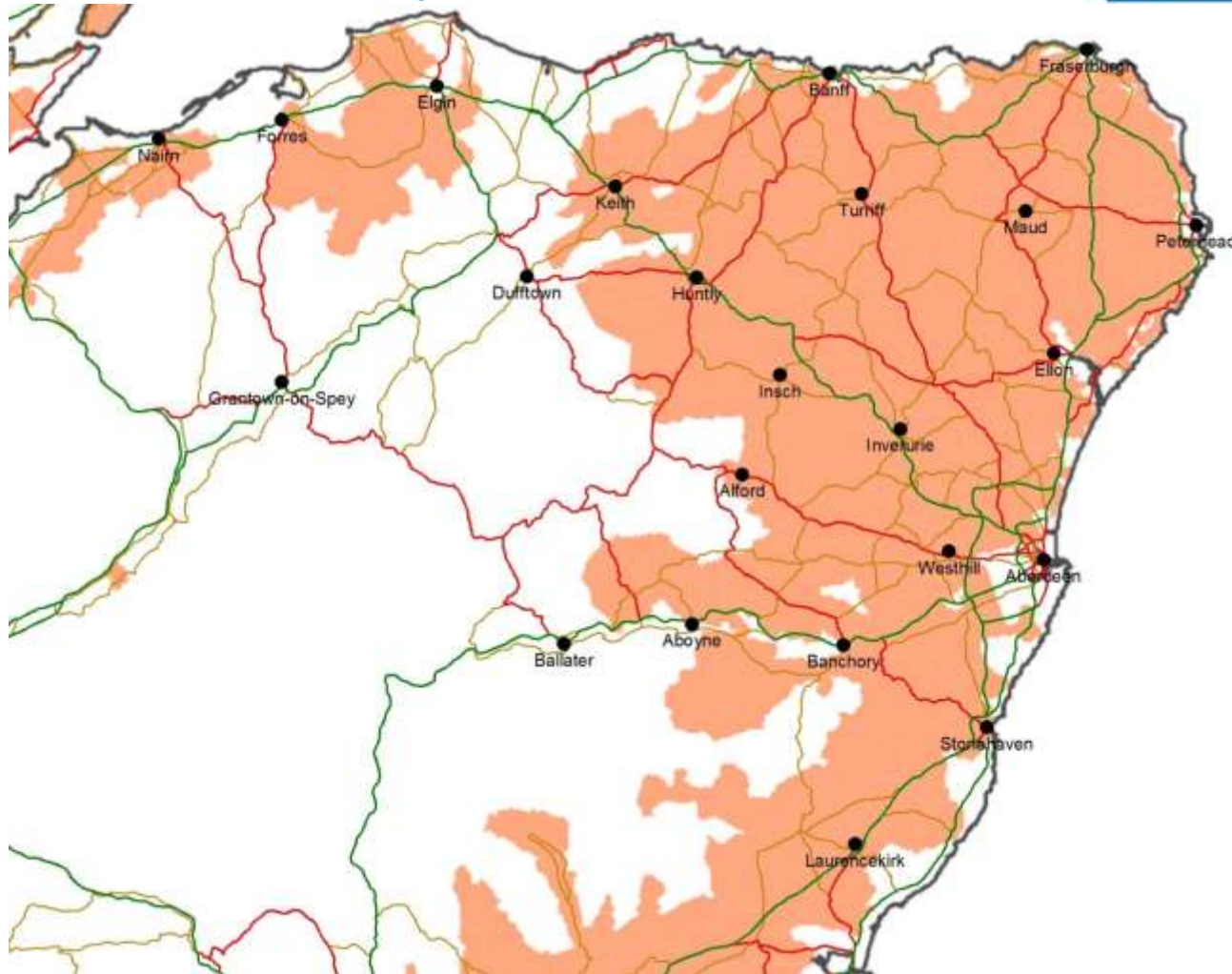


# AECS

## National Priority Diffuse Pollution



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# AECS

- Capital claims for 2016 must be submitted by 28 February
- Remember capital claims for establishment costs
- Management diaries



(Form PP1E) Revised 11/04/16

**Agri-Environment  
Climate Scheme (AECS):  
Capital items claim form**

  
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Official use only  
Date claim received:

**Notes for guidance**

Before completing this form, please read the guidance on the Rural Payments and Services website. Please complete in capital letters using black ink.

Your completed form should be sent, with all correctly receipted supporting documentation, to your local area office by the closing date outlined in the guidance.

If your claim is received after the advertised closing date it will not be accepted for payment under any circumstances.

Part 1 – Business details

# Aberdeenshire Soil and Nutrient Network Meeting



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**Date** Thursday 16 February 2017

**Time** 10.00am - 2pm

**Venue** East Balhalgardy, Inverurie AB51 0HR  
*courtesy of W Maitland & Sons*





# Thank You

