

Women in Agriculture KT



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Welcome

To the Inverness meeting
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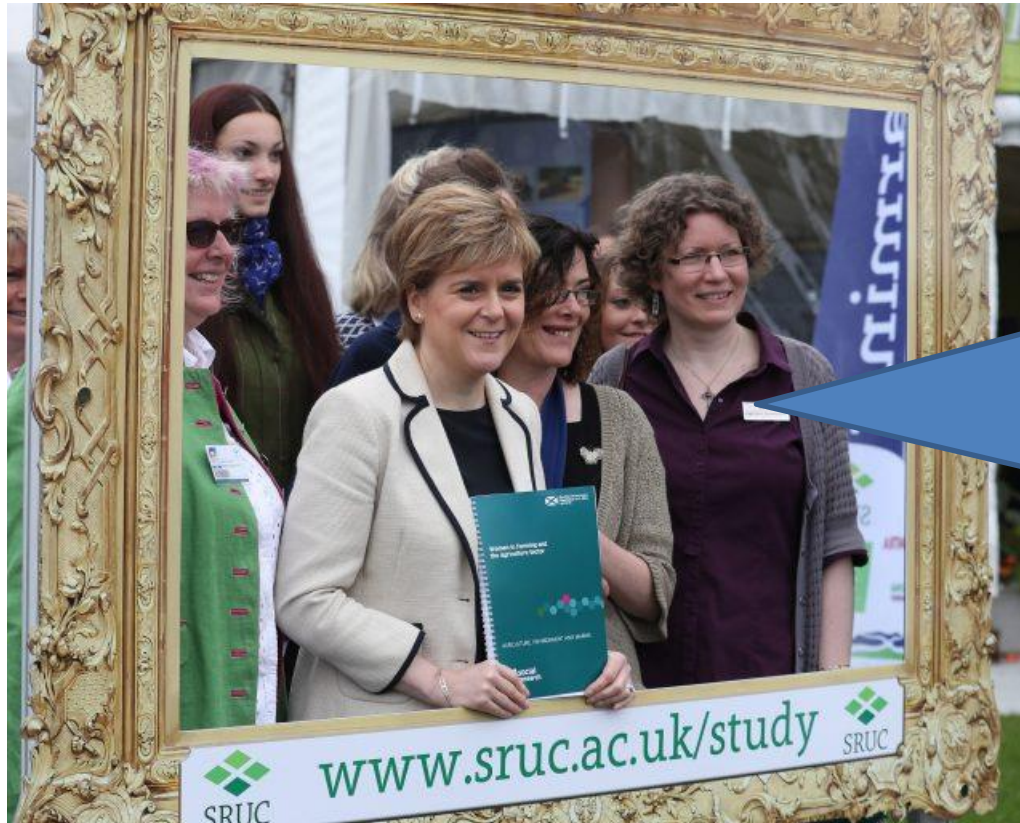
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Firstly, what is the Farm Advisory Service (FAS)?

- **provides information and resources aimed at increasing the profitability and sustainability of farms and crofts.**
- **There's a website with lots of info**
- **And a free helpline**
- **Meetings and events across the country**
- **All free - co-funded by the EU (!) and Scottish Government**



Secondly, why ‘Women in Agriculture’?



“The Scottish Government commissioned research which draws out some difficult issues facing women within Scottish agriculture.”

Women in Farming and the Agriculture Sector

- The research is published in a report “Women in Farming and the Agriculture Sector”.
- The researchers interviewed or questioned over 1300 women (and a few men).



These meetings were born...

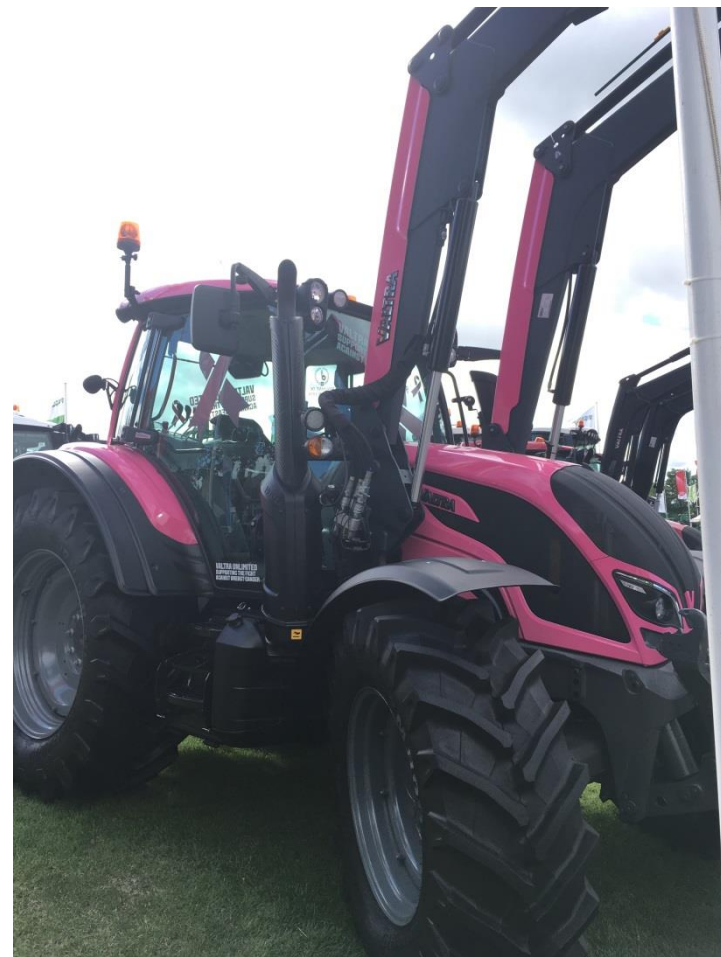
- ..as a result of one of the recommendations on training
- a desire for women-only training events as some felt less inclined to go to open events.



The plan is

To find out what you would like

- Women only meetings?
- What topics?
- Where?
- When?
- Theory/practical or mix?



Women in Agriculture Taskforce



To take forward the 27 recommendations in the report, a 'Women in Agriculture Taskforce' is up and running

And we are about to hear from one of the members





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QUIZ!



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



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1 Acronym round

- What does CAP stand for?
- What does SRDP stand for?
- What does IACS stand for?
- What does LFASS stand for?
- What does EFA stand for?
- What does GAEC stand for?
- What does DFTBA stand for?

- Common Agricultural Policy
- Scottish Rural Development Programme
- Integrated Administration and Control System
- Less Favoured Area Support Scheme
- Environmental Focus Area
- Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition
- Don't forget to be Awesome!

Common Agricultural Policy



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- Established within Europe post 2nd world war to ensure adequate food supply and to maintain cheap food – lead to end rationing in 1950's
- Now more emphasis on social and environmental issues

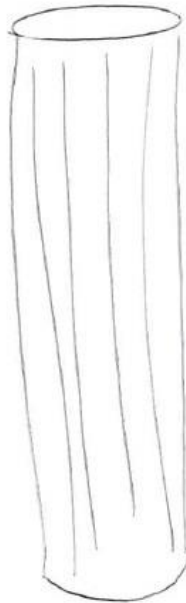


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The 2 Pillars of CAP



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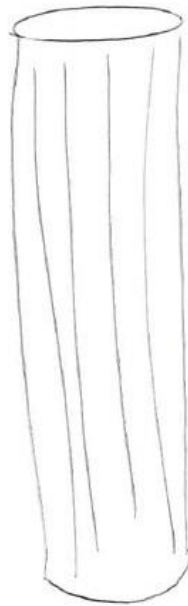
Pillar 1
Direct Payments



Pillar 2
Scottish Rural
Development Programme

Eg

- Basic Payment Scheme



Pillar 1

Direct Payments



Pillar 2

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- LFASS
- AECS
- Leader
- CAGS
- FAS
- Beef calf

Integrated Administration and Control System



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Location Code	Land Parcel Identifier	Total land parcel area	Verified exclusions within the land parcel	Land parcel area less verified exclusions	Land activity	Organic status (Y or N)	Land use (use code list)	Area	enter the area, to 2 decimal places, against each eligible land use (column H) within the parcel that contributes to your LFASS activity.	BPS Area being claimed	Ecological Focus Area Activity	Ecological Focus Area Claimed Quantity (ha to 2 dec. places or meters)
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
123/4567	NO/12345/12345 <i>Vegetable Field</i>	R1 11.45	0.11	11.34	AC	N	BSP	4.50	0.00	4.50		
		R2					CALA	5.50	0.00	5.50		
		R3							0.00			
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		R2					BUI	0.20	0.00			
		R3							0.00			
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123/4567	NO/14569/023457 <i>LFA Water Margin</i>	R1	2.01		PA	N	PGRS	8.22	8.22	8.22		
		R2 10.23		8.22			WAT	2.01		5.00		
		R3 45.30		45.30			PGRS	5.00	5.00	40.30		
							RGR	40.30	38.00			
							ASPG	0.09		0.00		
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123/4567	NO/54698/12345 <i>Small Field</i>	R1 0.09		0.09	AC	N				0.00		
		R2								0.00		
		R3								0.00		
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Column K claim rows will be pre-populated with 0.00 if the land parcel is smaller than 0.1 hectares.

Claiming a multi-region parcel

Reducing BPS claim area

Less Favoured Area Support Scheme

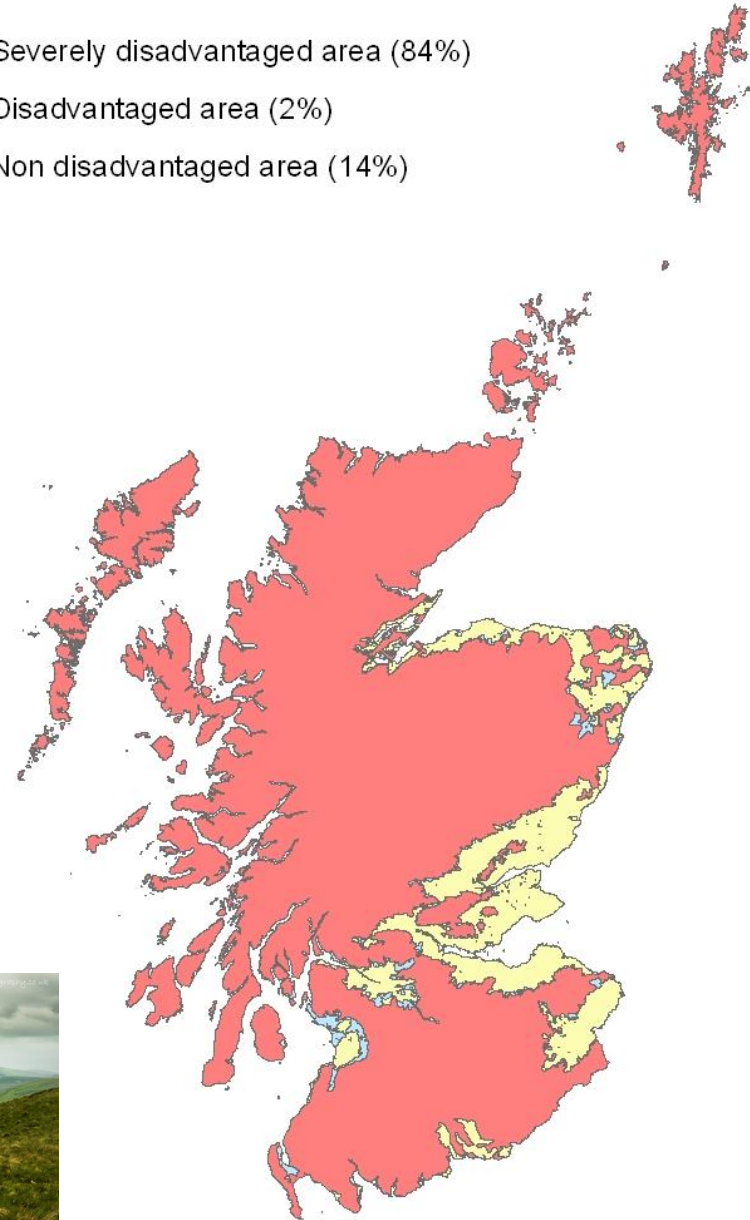


Paid according to 4 stocking densities A,B,C,D



Legend

- Severely disadvantaged area (84%)
- Disadvantaged area (2%)
- Non disadvantaged area (14%)



Ecological Focus Area



Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition



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Don't forget to be Awesome!



You have to complete an IACS to be able to claim which of the following schemes?



- ✓ Basic Payment Scheme
- ✓ Scottish Suckler Beef Support Scheme
- ✓ Scottish Upland Sheep Support Scheme
- ✓ Less Favoured Area Support Scheme
- ✓ Agri-Environment Climate Scheme annual
- ✓ Beef Efficiency Scheme

When is the IACS deadline?



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Region 1 -improved



Region 2 or 3 – unimproved
LFASS BCD or LFASS A respectively



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1 Livestock Unit (LU)



0.15 LU (6.6 ewes = 1 cow)



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If you have 100 hectares,
200 ewes and 30 cows, what is
your stocking rate?



200 ewes x 0.15 LU = 30 LU

30 cows = 30 LU

Total 60 LU

60 LU ÷ 100 hectares = 0.6 LU per hectare

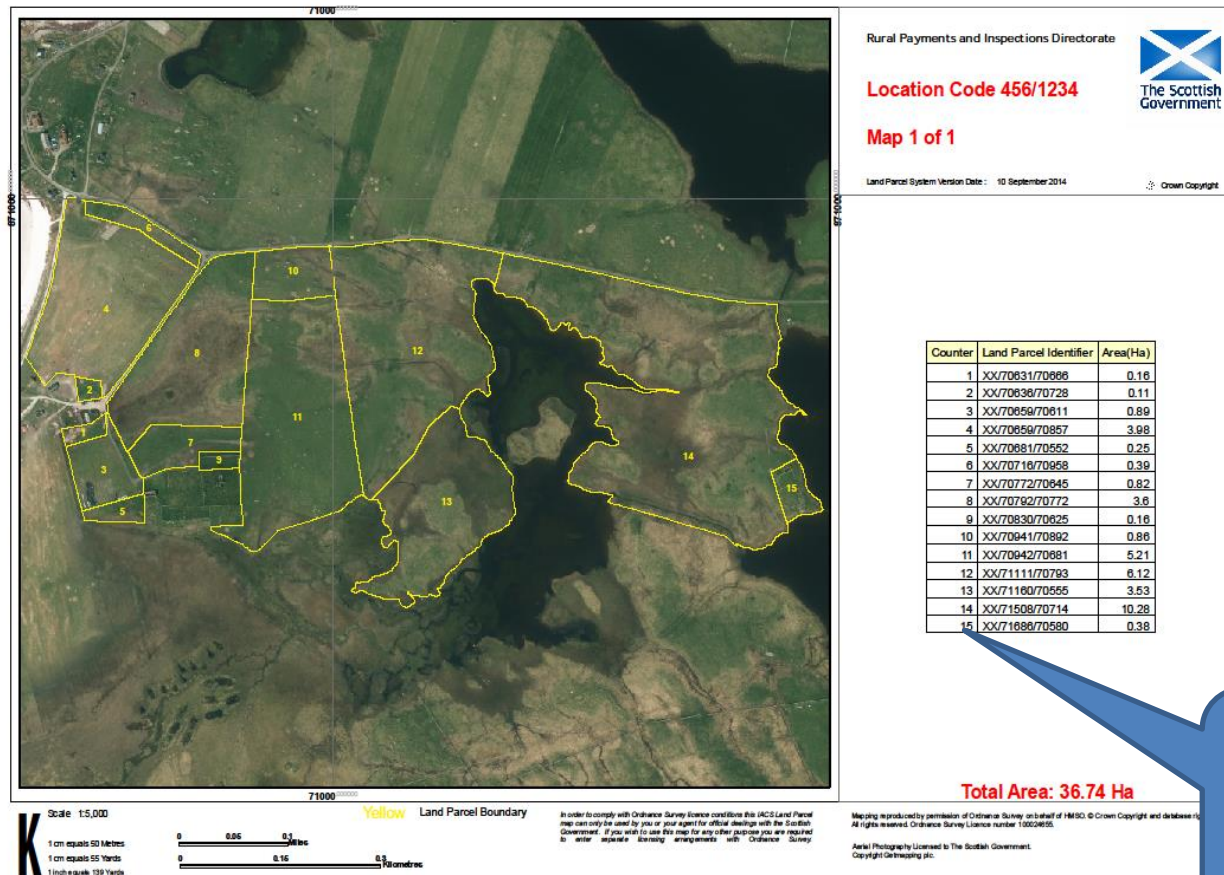
Minimum stocking density on R2 & R3

0.05 LU/hectare

Eg 100 hectares x 0.05 = 5 Livestock Units



“IACS” map



Every farm has a map with each field identified with a “LPI” which is the OS grid reference, and area in hectares.

Fields on the map have a corresponding number to identify each field on the reference table.



Not eligible for BPS?

Grass for silage

Wheat

Barley undersown with grass

Parkland trees with grass underneath

1 metre wide burn

☹ Dense bracken

not eligible for LFASS?

Grass for silage

☹️ **Wheat**

Barley undersown with grass (if ensiled whole)

Parkland trees with grass underneath

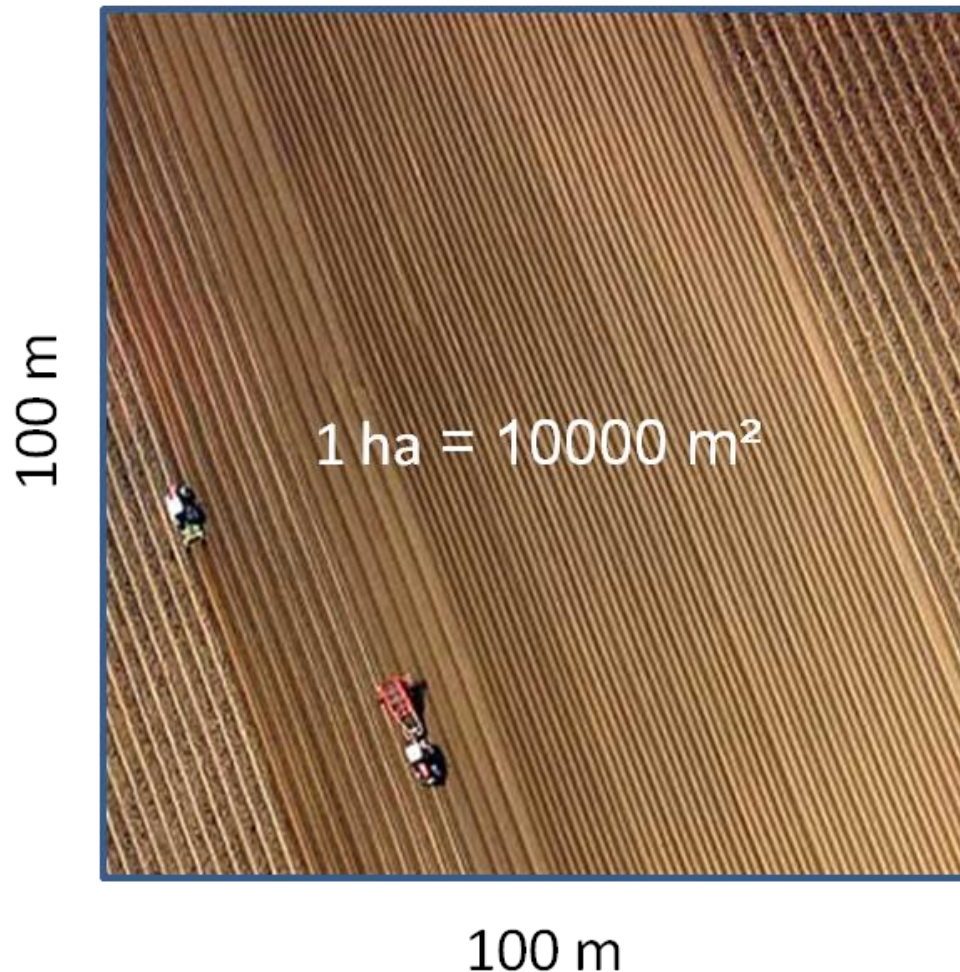
☹️ **3 metre wide burn**

☹️ **Dense bracken**

How many square metres in a hectare?



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100 m



How many months of the year do you need to have land in forage to claim LFASS?



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Grants



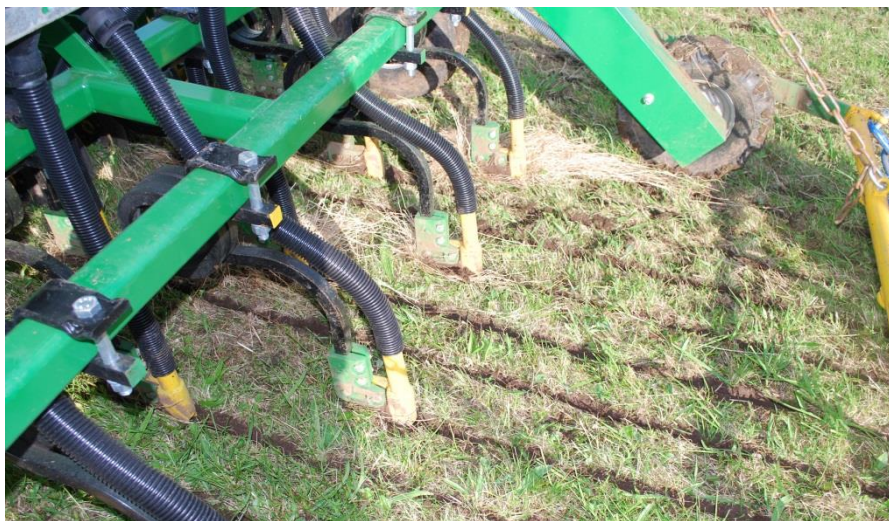
New Entrants Start Up Grant



- A 'bursary' type grant of €15,000 (about £12,500) to help you get started.
- Need to have started in past 12 months.
- Need 3 ha minimum but...
 - Standard output of €600 – €9,999, e.g. 9 cows + calves, 100 ewes + 25 followers
MAX!
- Application form + business plan

What is CAGS?

- A grant of £25,000.00 is available every 2 years for a croft business (you need to match fund it)
- A grant of £125,000.00 is available every 2 years for a common grazings or a group of crofters (you need to match fund it)

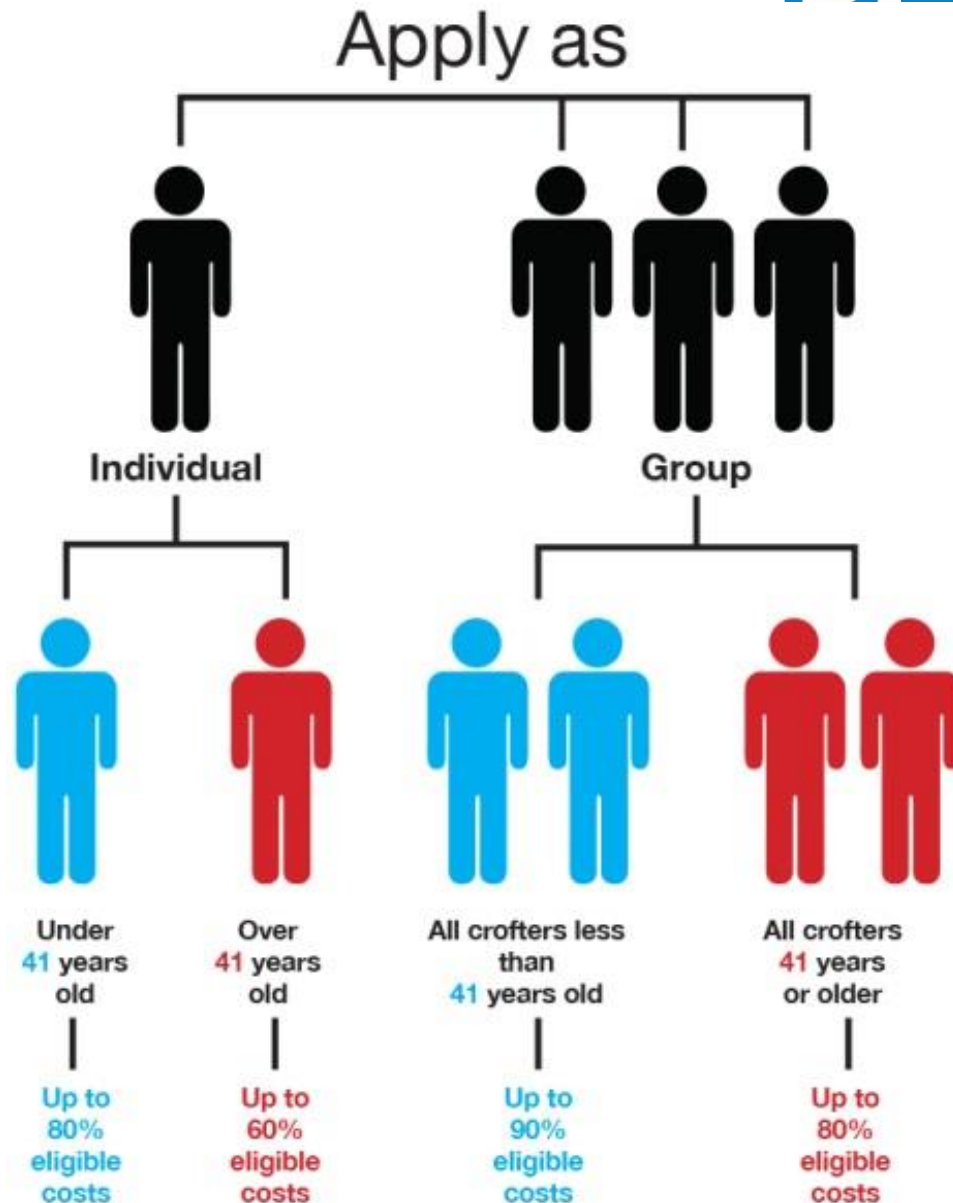


CAGS grant support



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- NB the under 41 rate is only available for the first 5 years of being in business



Mentoring for new farmers and crofters



- Currently being done by some of the folk here today
- Opportunity to help others and share experience
- Paid.

Integrated Land Management Plans (ILMP)



- Up to £1,200 per plan

Undertake an independent and confidential assessment of your business

Food Processing Marketing and Co-operation Grant Scheme



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- start-up grants for a new food processing business
- development grants for an existing food processing business
- Closed.....might reopen

