Welcome to the 9th annual Oxford Real Farming Conference!

Enjoy, get involved, and stay in touch!

Tweet to #ORFC18
Follow @ORFC

/OxfordRealFarmingConference
**WELCOME TO THE 9TH ANNUAL OXFORD REAL FARMING CONFERENCE**

This year we have the usual three strands to the programme:

- **Farm Practice** – new ideas and best practice in agroecological farming
- **The Big Ideas** – what truly needs to be changed to bring about the Agrarian Renaissance
- **Growing and Supporting** – the new generation of farmers

And we’re also adding in a fourth:

- **Brexit** – an opportunity to hear from those campaigning for better food and farming policy post-Brexit, and discuss the implications of the negotiations.

**OUR SPONSORS**

Our thanks go to Peter and Juliet Kindersley of the Sheepdrove Trust who so generously supported ORFC from 2011 to 2017. This year we have the usual three strands to the programme:

- **The Big Ideas** – can it be win-win?
- **Farm Practice** – new ideas and best practice in agroecological farming
- **Growing and Supporting** – the new generation of farmers

**OUR COLLABORATORS**

The ORFC programme is provided by its participants. In a sense all we have to do is to supply a space for you to fill. Our thanks to you all: session organisers, chairs, speakers, participants. But in particular our thanks to the following who have contributed significant chunks of the programme:

- The Soil Association and Innovative Farmers, Cotswold Compassion in World Farming, The Soil Never Sleeps book launch, who will pick our fruit and veg after Brexit?
- Localised food systems: ensuring UK policies strengthen healthy food provision and food sovereignty here and abroad
- Making your mark, making your market
- How do we realise the benefits of pasture-based farming for Britain?
- Food workers unite?
- Permaculture and international development
- Regain your power in the food system
- Measuring and valuing sustainability
- Growing people, growing food: developing green minds through communal growing
- The land needs us - land whispering as a tool for raising awareness
- Farm labour and livelihoods – workers, new entrants and who will pick our fruit and veg after Brexit?
- Trees: Improving the lives of livestock
- Securing farmers and farmland for the future
- Human ecology
- Micro-dairy: the practicalities of production and processing
- The great disappearing act
- LWA post-Brexit perspectives
- Growing and Supporting – new ideas and best practice in agroecological farming
- The Soil Association and Innovative Farmers; the Land Workers’ Alliance; and - newcomers for this year - the Pasture Fed Livestock Association; the Land Sleeps book launch, who are hosting our Brexit sessions.

Our thanks go to Blackwell’s who are once again providing our bookstall. We particularly appreciate the time they take to make sure that their selection of books suits everyone’s interests and concerns and that it includes books written by ORFC speakers. If you miss the launch of Adam Horovitz’s book of poetry The Soil Never Sleeps, you will find it on the Blackwell’s bookstall.

Good Food Oxford are ensuring that ORFC enjoys the best of Oxford’s local food. Lunchtime catering is provided by Will’s Deli; Wa! Cuisine; Ellie’s Kitchen; and Organic Deli. This year, Good Food Oxford have selected some ORFC favourites for the evening meal: The Vaults & Garden (winner of the 2016 Award for the Most Sustainable Restaurant in Oxfordshire) and Turf Street Kitchen. They are joined by Thali Café - a recent addition to the Oxford eating scene - and Organic Deli.

The conference team this year is headed up by Clare Horrell, with Nessie Reid (Programme Manager), Hannah Fenton (Operations Manager), Katherine Mansell (Communications Manager), supported by Jade Neville (Operations Support) and Peter Lefort (Technical Support). They all put in huge amounts of time, energy and commitment to make sure the conference is the best it can be. Our thanks to all of them. Also to Robert Fraser, our resident farmer, for his sound advice and financial expertise; and to our team of volunteers who make sure that everyone is well looked after and all sessions run to time.

Finally, we are grateful to Oxford City Council for their continued support.

Colin Tudge and Ruth West
The Real Farming Trust

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MAIN HALL</th>
<th>ASSEMBLY ROOM</th>
<th>OLD LIBRARY</th>
<th>COUNCIL CHAMBER</th>
<th>LONG ROOM</th>
<th>ST ALDATES ROOM</th>
<th>CHRISTOPHER ROOM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9:00 - 9:30</td>
<td>OPENING WELCOME</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:30 - 10:00</td>
<td>Brexit: The state of play – what do we now know and what’s coming over the horizon?</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:30 - 11:30</td>
<td>BREAK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 - 12:30</td>
<td>Question and Answer with the Rt Hon Michael Gove MP</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:30 - 13:30</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
<td>Measuring and valuing sustainability</td>
<td>Growing people, growing food: developing green minds through communal growing</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:00 - 15:00</td>
<td>The great disappearing act</td>
<td>Farm labour and livelihoods – workers, new entrants and who will pick our fruit and veg after Brexit?</td>
<td>LWA post-Brexit perspectives</td>
<td>Trees: Improving the lives of livestock</td>
<td>Securing farmers and farmland for the future</td>
<td>Human ecology</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15:00 - 16:00</td>
<td>BREAK</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16:00 - 17:00</td>
<td>Whatever is happening to the world’s insects?</td>
<td>Post-Brexit farm support: how should farm payments and other support be governed?</td>
<td>What we eat and how we eat today</td>
<td>What animals want: learning and delivering animal welfare science</td>
<td>Sticking at it</td>
<td>Farming, renewables and biodiversity – can it be win-win-win?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17:00 - 18:30</td>
<td>Bar is open, networking</td>
<td>The Soil Never Sleeps book launch</td>
<td>Screening of In Our Hands Film</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
FOOD AND FARMING PHOTO BOOTH
We invite all farmers, food growers and anyone interested in food and farming to come and share your thoughts and have a photo taken at our photo booth.

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE
This year we will have watercolour artist Sarah Hinchliffe as our artist in residence. Sarah will be sharing her stunning food and farming-inspired watercolours with us, and painting on site. We also have the talented Rebecca Ryan who will be documenting some ORFC sessions with her micro-visuals.

GETTING INTO SESSIONS
Most of the sessions take place in the Oxford Town Hall. However some sessions take place in the Christopher Room, which is located in the Parish Rooms on Pembroke Street. Turn left out of the Town Hall and then right into Pembroke Street, and the entrance is on your right.

CAPACITY OF ROOMS
Please note that not all of the rooms are big enough for everyone who wants to attend certain sessions! We recommend arriving early to a session you wish to attend to ensure you get in.

ACCESSIBILITY
Large print versions of this programme are available on the boards in the Main Hall and at the registration desk on request.

The Town Hall and the Christopher Room are fully accessible.

Modern Art Oxford, That Café and The Vaults and Garden are fully accessible.

Turl Street Kitchen is on several floors with no lift – so only the ground floor is easily accessible. Unfortunately, the same is true of Organic Del. If there is anything we can help with, please let us know.

COMMUNICATIONS
There will be photography and filming at the conference. Please let us know at registration if you do not want to be filmed.

Phones on silent please, which includes vibrate! Tweet us instead (@ORFC #ORFC18)

DISCLAIMER
We have done our best to ensure that the programme accurately describes the agenda and the speakers’ and chairs’ biographies for the two days. But some mistakes and discrepancies are inevitable, especially for last minute speakers, for which we apologise.

FULL PROGRAMME
In adherence to the outline of programme of sessions the following will also take place:

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 9.00-9.15 MAIN HALL OPENING WELCOME
THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 11.30-12.30 MAIN HALL Q&A WITH RT HON MICHAEL GOVE MP
The Rt Hon Michael Gove MP, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, will take part in a Q&A shared by Zoe Goldsmith MP.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 20.00-23.00 MODERN ART OXFORD THE LANDWORKERS’ ALLIANCE KNEES-UP
Join the Landworkers’ Alliance for their legendary knees-up which this year is with Me and My Friends - a UK quintet bringing the afrobeat, highlife and roots reggae.

The Vaults & Garden is a three-course lamb or vegetable meal in their historic venue, with lamb supplied by Sandy Lane Farm and vegetables supplied by Worton Organic Gardens. Turl Street Kitchen will serve a three-course beef or veggie curry with pasture-fed lamb supplied by Horton Grounds. Organic Deli will serve an entirely organic three-course veggie meal with one of their famous suppers. Thai Café will serve poppadoms and curry, followed by a thai main dish of vegan pumpkin, vegetable panang, or free-range chicken.

Note please – evening dinner is not included with the standard delegate ticket. Please ask at the registration desk if you wish to find out if there are any places still available.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 17.15-18.30 CHRISTOPHER ROOM IN OUR HANDS: Film Screening The long-awaited release of the Land Workers’ Alliance feature documentary. In Our Hands, profiles the emergence of a new generation of farmers who are growing the future on their own, developing a food system with a vision for post-Brexit food production that reflects our relationship with food.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 17.15-18.15 ASSEMBLY ROOM THE SOIL NEVER SLEEPS: Book Launch Adam Henson, post-in-residence at last year’s ORFC, launches his new book about pastoral farming. For the last 13 months, Adam was embedded on four certified Pasture for Life farms in Cornwall, Kent, Yorkshire and Wales. Adam will read from the book, accompanied by Becky Dellow on the fiddle. He will sign copies of the book after the launch.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 18.00-19.00 TURL STREET KITCHEN BIG, SMALL OR NOT AT ALL? THE FUTURE OF MILK AND DAIRY Chair: Tom Levit (Umamah and Nufield scholar) Shaun Young (The Estate Dairy – a leading barista milk brand), Alex Heffran (Mountain Hall Farm – Jersey micro-dairy), Abi Reader (Goldblad Farm – Welsh woman farmer of the year and founder of 3Consortia Dairy Co-operative Ltd), Lisa O’Gallway (Cream O’Galloway – the UK’s largest ethical dairy farm).

This informal workshop will discuss the rise of micro-dairies and the future of the dairy sector. It will be a charcuterie evening of pastries and cheeses for ten years, whilst discussing some of the wider themes around the dairy industry in general, such as the place of milk and dairy in our diets including health, nutrition, changing diets, milk’s importance and value. We will hear perspectives from dairy companies and dairy farmers.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 19.00-21.00 THE VAULTS & GARDEN, TURL STREET KITCHEN, ORGANIC DELI, THAI CAFE AND EVEN DINNERS
Local restaurants, chosen by Good Food Oxford for their sourcing credentials, pay host to a variety of evening dinners to suit ORFC delegates.

The Vaults & Garden will serve a three-course lamb or vegetable meal in their historic venue, with lamb supplied by Sandy Lane Farm and vegetables supplied by Worton Organic Gardens. Turl Street Kitchen will serve a three-course beef or veggie curry with pasture-fed lamb supplied by Horton Grounds. Organic Deli will serve an entirely organic three-course veggie meal with one of their famous suppers. Thai Café will serve poppadoms and curry, followed by a thai main dish of vegan pumpkin, vegetable panang, or free-range chicken.

Note please – evening dinner is not included with the standard delegate ticket. Please ask at the registration desk if you wish to find out if there are any places still available.

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 20.00-23.00 MODERN ART OXFORD THE LANDWORKERS’ ALLIANCE KNEES-UP
Join the Landworkers’ Alliance for their legendary knees-up which this year is with Me and My Friends - a UK quintet bringing the afrobeat, highlife and roots reggae.

Community Kitchen), Tom Wakeford (Warmington Community Kitchen), Elizabeth Westaway (Countryside Scotland), George McAllister (CAWR, Permaculture and Intensive Development), Consultant), Lachlan McKenzie (Food Workers Unite? collective)

The current food system is reliant on large-scale farmers, large restaurants, in processing and distribution. Labourers in the food system typically experience poor working conditions and low pay. In some cases this can be the tipping point for the farmers who own, rent or manage land, and those employed to work it either seasonally or by contract. There may also be little active solidarity and contact between food workers in rural farming areas and workers employed in the distribution and food service sector in urban areas. The session aims to develop conversations through mapping labour relations in the UK food system and exploring potential opportunities for building relationships and developing solidarities in an effort to work towards food justice in the UK.

This will be an interactive workshop for all participants.

ST. ALDA’S ROOM PERMACULTURE AND INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENT CHAIR: George McAlistier (CAWR, Garden Africa)
Speakers: Elizabeth Westaway (International Public Health Nutrition Consultant), Lachlan McKenzie (Permaculture Association Britain),
DAY 1 - 4TH JANUARY

Chris Evans (Himalayan Permaculture Centre, Applewood Permaculture Centre), Anne-Marie Mayer (Independent Nutrition and Agriculture Consultant).

The session on Permaculture and International Development will look at the broader picture of bringing about the necessary change through a permaculture/agroecological approach to food production, including agroforestry, and the transformation of food and nutrition international development contexts.

CHRISTOPHER ROOM REGAIN YOUR POWER IN THE FOOD SYSTEM
Chair: Anna Cursa (Food Ethics Council).
Speakers: Robert Craig (Cairnhill Farm), Rebecca Pow (Member of Parliament for Taunton Deane).

At present, all farmers and land managers are required to submit multiple and overlapping audits to government agencies, food companies and certifiers each year. This is unnecessary, expensive, bureaucratic and time consuming, and also makes it impossible for consumers, farmers, food businesses and policymakers to gain an accurate understanding of the comparative sustainability of products resulting from different methods of production.

This session will address these issues and outline the progress of a producer working group, convened by the Sustainable Food Trust, which has come together to assess opportunities for achieving convergence between existing sustainability assessment tools. An integrated assessment would allow government departments to assess eligibility for public support payments, food companies to access the sustainability of the products they source, citizens to better understand the story behind their food and farmers to monitor continuous environmental, social and economic performance year on year.

ST. ALDATE’S ROOM GROWING PEOPLE, GROWING FOOD: DEVELOPING GREEN MINDS THROUGH COMMUNAL GROWING
Speakers: Jules Pretty (University of Essex), Sarah Williams (Sustain), Tim Lang (City University).

We have an increasingly urbanising world in which we are becoming more detached from nature. If more people become growers there will be significant repetition and wellbeing. Over time our relationship with the living planet. In the UK we have a major and increasing mental health disease burden. The World Health Organization predicts it will be the second largest globally by 2020 with a corresponding decline in well-being. Well-being is much more than good food; a connection with the living planet brings the greatest good. Communal food growing is brilliant because it combines nature-based therapy with a social element to combat loneliness, and also enables personal growth and learning. Getting community food growing happening at scale should be an extremely effective way of achieving sustainable well-being. Thus, a whole systems approach which embraces food, exercise, mental health, emotional and spiritual connection and recognises the interconnection between ourselves and the living planet, has greater scope to lever the food system changes that we seek.

CHRISTOPHER ROOM THE LAND NEEDS US – LAND WHISPERING AS A TOOL FOR RAISING AWARENESS
Chair: Dan Powell (LandBase).
Speakers: Gabriel Kaye & Elisabeth Winkler (Biodynamic Land Trust).

Recognising the needs of the land and the need in us for connection to land, nature and farming brings up the question “How do we meet these needs?” This is quickly followed by other questions such as “How can we save land for healthy nature and healthy food?” and “What can I do to stop the destruction of soil life, plant life and insect life on so many of our farms of today?” Join us on an hour and a half of connection to land and what it means to each one of us. Explore raising awareness of the need to secure land for healthy farming now for future generations, and share how we can communicate these important messages to create a call to action to secure land for healthy farming and save places as havens for nature and real food growing in the midst of the industrial farming takeover of our countryside.

14.00-15.00 MAIN HALL THE GREAT DISAPPEARING ACT
Chair: Carol McKenna
Speakers: Philip Lymbery (CIWF).

Many animals face extinction and it is not only a destruction of habitat that are to blame. The impact of consumer demand for cheap meat is equally devastating. We are falsely led to believe that squeezing animals into factory farms and cultivating crops in vast, chemical-soaked prairies is a necessary evil. Our planet’s resources are reaching breaking point: awareness is slowly building that the wellbeing of society depends on a thriving natural world. In this presentation that builds on his book Dead Zone: Where the wild things were, Philip Lymbery will take us on an investigative journey across the globe, focusing on iconic species to understand the role that industrial farming is playing in their flight and to highlight the work of pioneering farmers, who are taking action to save life on Earth.

LUNCHTIME SESSIONS 13.00-13.45

LONG ROOM MEASURING AND VALUING SUSTAINABILITY
Chair: Patrick Holden (SFT).

OLD LIBRARY LWA POST-BREXIT PERSPECTIVES
Chair: Ed Hamer (LWA).
Speakers: Christopher Price (CLA), Simon Fairlie (The Land Magazine), Jost Fernandes (LWA).

In the wake of the Brexit referendum numerous voices have emerged to forecast and influence the debate over the Agrarian Model of farming in the UK. Ostensibly arguing from opposing corners have been the Country Landowners Association – representing the country’s largest commercial estates and the Landworkers Alliance – representing small-scale family farmers. This session will briefly outline three alternative visions for the future of agricultural support and rural development in the UK before opening to your floor for your thoughts on areas of disagreement or commonality between them – or entirely new perspectives altogether.

COUNCIL CHAMBER TREES: IMPROVING THE LIVES OF LIVESTOCK
Chair: Liz Bowles (Soil Association).
Speakers: Ted Green (Ancient Tree Council), Andy Smith (Bangor University), Paul Burgess (Cranfield University).

Trees and shrubs used to be much more important features in the lives of animals in the UK, providing shelter and fodder, as well as improving health and welfare and increasing growth rates. No doubt research would help us to understand why we moved away from combining livestock with trees; perhaps it was the reduction in farm labour, perhaps improved grazing grasses, or perhaps the removal of hedges and hence trees, which saw livestock having less interaction with trees. This session aims to present the ways in which interaction of livestock with trees can be beneficial for livestock and the farmer and provide details of how we can incorporate trees within livestock environments in the future. Our speakers will discuss tree fodder, how trees can enrich the range for poultry, and catch up on all the research currently taking place into increasing our understanding of the role of trees for livestock production systems.

LONG ROOM SECURING FARMERS AND FARMLAND FOR THE FUTURE
Chair: Clare Howse (Real Farming Trust).
Speakers: Alison Rickett (Fresh Start), Spencer Christy (Lauriston Farm).

This session will use real-world examples to demonstrate the innovative models that are being developed to keep land secured for farming beyond the current generation of farmers. Spencer Christy from the biodynamic Lauriston Farm will describe his journey setting up a Charitable Community Benefit Society which now manages all the activities on his farm. Alison Rickett from Fresh Simple Land Enterprise will describe some of her recent work running the Land Matching Service for England, matching landowners with new farmers in innovative ways. There will be plenty of time at the end for discussion and questions.

ST. ALDATE’S ROOM HUMAN ECOLOGY
Chair: Ulrich Loening (University of Edinburgh).
Speakers: Abi Mordin (Propagate), Svenga Meyerricks (Centre for Human Ecology).

Civilisation rose and fall by how they fed themselves. The ecology of the human species changed dramatically with the inventions of farming, which made civilisation possible but left long-term impacts on the planet. Then the Enlightenment of the 18th Century created modern science and the industrial revolution, which put farming on a new productive footing. The success of this means that now the human species is facing problems with the human population. The old order, in which humans needed to be protected from Nature, has reversed, and Nature now needs to be protected from humans if they themselves are to survive and be happy. The understanding
of this; about how, where and ultimately whether humans live on the planet; is Human Ecology. It has to reach way back, beyond, into the science and humanities, since these determine our behaviour, and hence our ecological impacts and relation to Nature. We now need a new Enlightenment to create a post-industrial society in tune with the biosphere. This session will look at these fundamentals, including some general principles for practical action, and then a number of examples of how that action is being taken.

CHRISTOPHER ROOM MICRO-DAIRYING: THE PRACTICALITIES OF PRODUCTION AT THE PROCESSING Chair: Christine Page (Smiling Tree Farm).

Speakers: Alex Heffron (Mountain Farm Hall), Kees Frederiks (Stroud Micro Dairy), Tali Eichner (Paw Hatch Farm). There is a micro-revolution going on within the dairying world with more people than ever considering small-scale dairying. In this session you will hear from the start-up – Alex Heffron of Mountain Hall Farm in Pembroke and Kees Frederiks of Stroud Micro Dairy as well as Tali Eichner, the Dairy Manager for the well-established Pavl Husbands Dairy which has a unique concept process raw milk, cheese, yogurt, butter, cream and kefir. Hear Alex’s and Kees’ stories and learn about the key considerations for running a micro-dairy such as the parlour, bottling room, infrastructure, sales and marketing, as well as what they would do differently next time. From Tali, gain an overview of what is required to process around 2,000L of milk each week into various products on the small-scale. There will be plenty of time for discussion and questions, so please do bring them along.

16.00 – 17.00 MAIN HALL \Wahtever is happening to the world's insects?\nChair: Sarah Woods (writer, narrative artist, Wales Green Hero).

Speakers: Dave Goulson (University of Sussex) and David Macdonald (University of Oxford).

A new study from German nature reserves reveals a 75% decline in flying insects over the past 27 years. What’s the reason? What are the implications – for farming and the food supply, for humanity, and for the biosphere? What can be done? Why should we care?

ASSEMBLY ROOM POST-BREXIT FARM SUPPORT: HOW SHOULD WE PAYMENTs AND OTHER SUPPORT BE GOVERNED? Chair: Liz Bowles (Soil Association).

Speakers: Julian Gold (Hundred Estate, Oxfordshire), Iain Tolhurst (Tolhurst Organics), Kierra Box (Friends of the Earth), Fidelity Weston (Pasture-Fed Livestock Association).

We will explore the ‘how’ rather than the ‘what’ of future farm payments, focusing on the direct experiences of farmers and growers to identify how the governance of farm support can be radically improved. What are the worst aspects of the current system? This session will highlight some of those elements of the current system that we need to keep and improve?

Are there innovative alternatives Defra could trials during a four-year period? Can the UK learn any lessons from the governance mechanisms for farm support in other countries, such as New Zealand and Switzerland? Who should do what – across the private, public and third sectors? What are the pros and cons of various mechanisms such as audits, verification, regulation, standards, and existing assurance schemes? After what promises to be a highly informative and perhaps cathartic session, we’ll feed your key messages into Defra so they hear the voices of ORFC farmers and growers loud and clear.

OLD LIBRARY WHAT WE EAT AND HOW WE EAT TODAY Speaker: Mama D (Community Centred Knowledge).

What do we speak about food systems, more often than not we think of them as food-producing structures. We focus on the food providers of the field, but what of the food provider within the home? Does the way we think about food have to influence where we get it from and what we think of as a food source? Do our food preferences and the stories we have around them determine how we express our food sovereignty in our daily lives? If so, then how is this manifest? What are the things that determine where we source our food and how do these determinants affect different members of society? This session will be an interactive exploration of how we relate to our food and where we source it. It will involve fun and games and searching conversation. We will finish by bringing together new and renewed ideas about how we can engage with the food systems that surround us to bring a greater sense of economic, social and political justice to our own lives and those of the communities we live amongst.

COUNCIL CHAMBER WHAT ANIMALS WANT: LEARNING AND DELIVERING ANIMAL WELFARE SCIENCE Chair: Kate Still (Farmer Adviser, Animal Health and Welfare).

Speakers: Siobhan Mullan (University of Bristol Veterinary School), Lesley Prior (sheep and goat farmer), Angela Wright (CIWV, PFLA).

Animal welfare science has developed. Now, we can use science to identify not just what animals need, but also their preferences. But what does this mean at farm-level? In this session, we will discuss how we can use these preferences to develop systems that enable animals not just to cope but to thrive and enjoy their environment. We’ll also talk about the wider benefit these high welfare systems can have in delivering sustainable farming systems. Siobhan Mullan will be leading a crash course in animal welfare science, including an interactive session that will question what we think is important to animals versus what they think is important to us. Lesley Prior will be leading the theme of applying the science on-farm with a case study of a sheep and goat system that puts animal welfare at the centre. Angela Wright will be sharing insights about the wider benefits of pasture-based systems in delivering for animals and the environment.

LONG ROOM STICKING AT IT Speakers: Geetee Singh-Watson (Duke of Cambridge), Guy Singh-Watson (Riverford).

This session will tell the story of two organic businesses that became one; it might inspire some and put others off. The aim is to help young, values driven business avoid some of pitfalls and pain of the early years and make it to a more comfortable place before fire goes out and the tank is empty. It will examine the business and personal challenges, the decisions and thinking that helped these businesses make it. The Duke of Cambridge was founded by the uncompromising commadant Geetee Singh in 1997, is still thriving and still the UK’s only organic pub. Guy Watson planted his first leeks in 1987 and with pathairobi determination grew Riverford Organic Farmers over thirty years to make 50,000 home deliveries a week before selling it to his staff this year. The two businesses became one when Geetee and Guy married at the Duke in 2014.

ST. ALDATE'S ROOM FARMING, RENEWABLES AND BIODIVERSITY: CAN IT BE WIN-WIN? Speakers: Chris Church (Westmill Sustainable Energy Trust), Guy Parker (Wychwood Biodiversity), Liz Reason (Southhill Community Energy).

How can we make land on renewable energy sites as productive as possible while maintaining and maximising biodiversity? Is there evidence to show how renewable energy and biodiversity can flourish together on farmland. At Westmill organic farm we have solar and wind power - both community owned, and WeSET (an educational trust) uses income from these to promote positive change. Now the challenge is to go beyond activities such as sheep grazing on solar sites and look at how we can develop work on food, energy and biodiversity. The session will hear from Guy Parker of Wychwood Biodiversity (who has pioneered work on these issues) and from local site developers. A facilitated discussion will explore both the practical issues and the policy moves that are needed to enable many more sites to deliver a win-win-win future.

CHRISTOPHER ROOM DELIVERING DIVERSITY IN FARM SCALES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES Chair: Vicki Hird (Sustain: the alliance for better food and farming).

Speakers: Alisan Rickert (Fresh Start Land Enterprise), Ashley Weller (Trill Farm Garden), David Corrie-Close (The Horned Beef Company), Hannah Claxton (Eves Hill VegCo), Graeme Wills (CPRE), James Odgers (Stream Farm), Rebecca Laughton (LWA).

LWA and CPRE are hosting this session to consider the threats of falling diversity of farms in England and the value of supporting new farms and farmers. Speakers from CPRE and LWA will look at the evidence of farm loss, potential challenges for the English countryside, Farm Business Loans and opportunities for new collaborative models of farming. Smaller breakout groups will follow to give participants the chance to find out more from farmers, growers and others making this happen.

DAY 2 - 5TH JANUARY 9.00-10.00 MAIN HALL MIRACULOUS ABUNDANCE: ONE QUARTER ACRE, TWO FRENCH FARMERS AND ENOUGH FOOD TO FEED THE WORLD Chair: Robert Fraser (Real Farming Trust).

Speaker: Perrine Hervé-Gruyer (La Ferme du Bec Hellouin). In this session, Perrine will be sharing insights into the French Incubator Farm Network, RENETA, Ecological Land Cooperative, Organic Agronomie and the Kindling Trust. She will be discussing the role of such a network in the UK to help grow and support a new generation of ecological farmers. In the context of our food system, we will look at how a small farm can provide enough food to feed the world, the challenge that Perrine and Charles Herve-Gruyer are undertaking at La Ferme du Bec Hellouin in Normandy. In this session, Perrine will show you how using the principles of permaculture and bio-intensive methods, along with other techniques learned from organic pioneers and indigenous tribes from around the world, enables them to be highly productive and profitable on a small scale whilst protecting the biosphere and sequestering carbon.

ASSEMBLY ROOM DELIVERING PUBLIC BENEFITS FROM OUR LAND Chair: Steve Trotter (Wildlife Trust).

Speakers: David Bowles (RSPCA), Simon Berry (Devon Wildlife Trust), Caroline Cornie (Worcestershire Wildlife Trust), Vicki Hird (Sustain), Stephen Briggs (farmer), David Bowles (RSPCA), Courtney Scott (Courteny Scott Food Foundation).

This session will be about the public benefits or ‘goods’ we could be seeking to generate from our new farming policies. Proposers will make the case for some benefits (not an exhaustive list) which the public could be paying for and the audience will get to rate them. Then they will have a chance to vote on the goods they want to see supported. This will include some detail on why and how all these benefits or ‘goods’ could be sought, and the on-going consultations and surveys which Defra and others will be doing around the future of farm policy.

OLD LIBRARY CREATING A NETWORK OF INCUBATOR FARMS FOR THE UK Speakers: Helen Woodcock (Kindling Trust), Oli Rodker (Ecological Land Cooperative), Brian Kelly (Organic lea), Jean Baptiste Cavalier (RENETA).

Inscribed by the amazing example of the French Incubator Farm Network, RENETA, Ecological Land Cooperative, Organic Agronomie and the Kindling Trust, this session will discuss the role of such a network in the UK to help grow and support a new generation of ecological farmers. In the context of our food system, we will look at how a small farm can provide enough food to feed the world, the challenge that Perrine and Charles Herve-Gruyer are undertaking at La Ferme du Bec Hellouin. In this session, Perrine will show you how using the principles of permaculture and bio-intensive methods, along with other techniques learned from organic pioneers and indigenous tribes from around the world, enables them to be highly productive and profitable on a small scale whilst protecting the biosphere and sequestering carbon.
DAY 2 - 5TH JANUARY

RENEA helps to support hundreds of incubator farms across France. Importantly the session will then involve a very practical discussion to kick start our own RENEA here in the UK!

COUNCIL CHAMBER
SMALL-SCALE ABATTOIRS TO PRODUCE LOCAL MEAT
Speakers: Bob Kenward (Graff Farm Organics), Paddy Hoare (Perdy Partnership), Richard Young (SFT), Phil Stocker (National Sheep Association).

No matter how well animals are cared for, if they get stressed or frightened before slaughter this can affect meat quality as well as the welfare of the whole farming system. For those with birds or flocks, slaughter also presents additional emotional and practical challenges for farmers, because it’s the only time the animals leave the farm. The number of red meat abattoirs in the UK has continued to decline and for some producers who retain their meat locally, whether as organic, pasture-fed, free-range or rare breed, the cost of taking animals long distances to slaughter and having the carcasses returned to the farm can become a major financial burden. This session will see the launch of a new report and campaign and explore solutions - including the potential for co-operative abattoir provision - to make possible a simplified form of mobile abattoir slaughtering, and the creation of viable new local abattoirs.

LONG ROOM
HERITAGE GRAIN LAB
Speaker: John Letts.

Heritage and ancient grains are becoming very popular with bakers, brewers and distillers. In this session John Letts will first provide an overview of the major ‘Eurasian’ cereal species that are grown in the UK, and discuss their history, botany and uses. Participants will be divided into groups to focus on different heritage grains, and each group will be given a heritage variety to explore. This will be followed by a plenary session over the course of an hour. This first session of the (De)Regulation Marketplace will include the following themes:

2. Water: first in the firing line?
3. Genetic modification – how Brexit could bring GM to our fields and our food.

Table host: Matt Shardlow (Buglife).

Our rural wildlife is in crisis with one of the biggest stories of the summer being the huge declines in pollinators and the ‘windscreen phenomenon’. Reversing declines in wildlife and building a more ecologically robust countryside will benefit farmers and the public. CAP has failed to achieve this so how do we ensure that there is more safe space for bees, birds and other biodiversity? First we have to ensure that we don’t lose our environmental principles or weaken environmental protections and our ability to hold politicians to account for their enforcement. Then we can build on this by setting enforceable and monitored targets for environmental goods. How can we ensure we treat synergy between farming and wildlife? How can the forthcoming Agriculture Act move farming, food and biodiversity closer together?

@ORFC #ORFC18 orfc.org.uk
DAY 2 - 5TH JANUARY

Outcomes

As in field-scale fruit weed control; Robert Diprose will explore the role of electricity in weed control; and Simon Blackmore will ask us whether and how robots could be the solution.

LONG ROOM
DEVELOPING HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE UK HERB CULTIVATION
Speakers: Alice Bettany, Helen Kearney, Mark Rumbell, Anne Stobart, Jo Smith, Jim Twine.

In the UK there is considerable potential to grow the market for home-produced herbs, especially as the focus shifts on the UK becoming more sustainable and less dependent on imports. On the demand side there is genuine interest in natural products involving herbs, from animal health to body care, culinary and medicinal contexts, although little to educate consumers in distinguishing well-grown supplies. On the supply side, there are committed growers from organic farms to agroforestry projects who could produce many more herbs if there was advice and training, more reliable demand and supporting infrastructure. However, there are many issues to face in growing the herb market, from maintaining quality to effective marketing, and ensuring that plans are economically viable. The way forward is likely to include development of links, education and cooperative ventures. This session is designed to bring together those with interests in herb cultivation to consider what is required to further develop and underpin this market.

ST. ALDATE’S ROOM
ACCESS TO LAND FOR AGROECOLOGICAL FARMING - GETTING PRACTICAL WHILE DREAMING BIG
Speakers: Elise Wach (CAWR), Chris Smage (smallfarmfuture.org.uk)

Increasing access to land for small-scale and agroecological farmers is an essential step in transitioning our food systems to become more sustainable, nourishing and fair. Currently, land distribution is highly unequal, land prices are extremely high, and many producers struggle to obtain the planning permission to live on their farms. This session will provide participants with an understanding of practical ways in which more small-scale and agroecological farmers could access land for farming in the UK. It includes strategies for working within the existing planning system and for changing national and local level policies. Information will be useful both to individuals looking for land as well as those wishing to be involved in collective movements for changing land access and distribution. The session builds on the findings from a joint collaboration of the Land Workers’ Alliance and the Institute of Development Studies over the past two years, and incorporates participatory learning methods.

CHRISTOPHER ROOM
HARMONY IN FOOD AND FARMING
Chair: Patrick Holden (SFT)
Speakers: Charlotte Russell (Eden Project), Gaye Donaldson (Centre for Systemic Constellations), Bronwen Percival (Neal’s Yard Dairy).

Who am I, what is it that I am part of and how do I make sense of the world in which I find myself? We are now realising that everything in the universe is connected, bound together by the same common laws and principles which lie behind everything that happens in our world, including and perhaps especially in farming and food production. How can we experience this potential harmony and interconnectivity in our daily lives as food producers? This session will share some of the learning from SFT’s Harmony Conference in July 2017, exploring harmony through the prism of cheese making, the work of the Eden centre and the need to reconcile systemic discord.

12.00-13.00
MAIN HALL
SCOTLAND’S GOOD FOOD NATION BILL: WHAT WOULD COUNT AS SUCCESS?
Speaker: Pete Ritchie (Nourish Scotland).

This interactive session led by Pete Ritchie will explore the range of possible asks for the Good Food Nation Bill which is due to be presented to Parliament in early 2019. Pete will provide an update on the Bill to date, what has already been agreed, and what still up for discussion. Then the audience will have some time to talk in small groups about what they see as the most important provisions to be secured in the Bill, and where most effort should be put into advocacy. There will then be time for feedback, questions and discussion.

ASSEMBLY ROOM
BREXIT, REGULATION AND MARKETPLACE - SESSION 2
These sessions are 15-20 minutes each, repeated three or four times with different participants over the course of an hour. This session will include the four themes:

1. Pesticides and Brexit – threats and opportunities

Table hosts: Josie Cohen and Nick Mole (Pesticide Action Network UK).

This interactive session will look at the implications of Brexit for how the UK uses and regulates chemical pesticides. It will consider how moving away from the EU’s pesticide regime risks leaving UK farmers, consumers and the environment more exposed to the harmful impacts of pesticides. On the flip side, it will also explore the opportunity that Brexit presents to move away from our current system of pesticide-reliant industrial agriculture and towards a more sustainable future. Pesticide Action Network UK will kick off by briefly laying out some of the potential scenarios for pesticide regulation and how they could affect UK farmers and consumers. Then it’s over to you for a group discussion on what you see as the biggest threats and opportunities. PAN UK wants to hear what you need from the UK’s post-Brexit pesticide regime and how the organisation can support you in getting it.

2. Synthetic biology: Regulating new forms of genetic engineering

Table hosts: Helena Paul and Ricarda Steinbrecher (ExoNexus).

We will briefly present synthetic biology and the new genetic engineering or genetic modification techniques (NGEs or NGMs), respectively, and how they are especially relevant to the context of Brexit. The UK government, many companies and some scientists want to relax regulations on GMOs, exclude new genetic engineering techniques (NGETs) from regulation altogether, abandon the Precautionary Principle, and reduce environmental protection. Several major agro-chemical & bio-technology corporations, intent on replacing precaution, are developing an ‘innovation principle’ for assessing new techniques. This is all to promote a techno-industrial approach to agriculture. It means more monocultures, even fewer working on the land, major use of chemicals - and the potential application of NGETs in agriculture.

3. The Pig Idea: How to get food waste back on the menu on the pigs and chickens

Table hosts: Karen Lydack (The Pig Life Campaign and Feedback).

Would you support a move to replace the swill ban with legislation that allows for the use of food waste in pig and chicken feed in a way that is both sustainable and safe? This是比较 important provision to be secured in the Bill, and where most effort should be put into advocacy. There will then be time for feedback, questions and discussion.

OLD LIBRARY
AGRICULTURAL LAND, ARE WE TAXING IT RIGHT?
Chair: Robin Grey (Land Justice Network)
Speakers: Christopher Price (CLA), Molly Scott Cato MEP (Green Party).

A session looking at how we currently tax land, exploring other ways this might be done and how this would affect farming. Please come along and take part in this small group discussion time as well as the more traditional conference panel format.

COUNCIL CHAMBER
MIXING IT UP! IMPROVING THE DIVERSITY OF FORAGE AND CROP SPECIES
Chair: Paul Flynn (Soil Association).
Speakers: Stephen Briggs (Abacuses Agriculture), Iain Tolhurst (Tolhurst Organics).

MIXING IT UP! IMPROVING THE DIVERSITY OF FORAGE AND CROP SPECIES
Chair: Paul Flynn (Soil Association).
Speakers: Stephen Briggs (Abacuses Agriculture), Iain Tolhurst (Tolhurst Organics), James Wrighton (Vitacress).

Nature doesn’t do monocropping, should you? In recent years there has been a growing challenge to the prevalence of fields of Perennial Ryegrass and cereals. In grassland, there has been a resurgence in the popularity of diverse, species-rich herbal laws with mineral rich species working together to enrich soils and improve soil and ecosystem health. We will briefly present synthetic biology and the new genetic engineering or genetic modification techniques (NGEs or NGMs), especially genome editing and gene drives, in the context of Brexit. The UK government, many companies and some scientists want to relax laws on GMOs, exclude new genetic engineering techniques (NGETs) from regulation altogether, abandon the Precautionary Principle, and reduce environmental protection. Several major agro-chemical & bio-technology corporations, intent on replacing precaution, are developing an ‘innovation principle’ for assessing new techniques. This is all to promote a techno-industrial approach to agriculture. It means more monocultures, even fewer working on the land, major use of chemicals - and the potential application of NGETs in agriculture.

4. Public money for public goods:
Improving farm animal welfare post-Brexit
Table hosts: James West (CIWF).

Brexit presents a golden opportunity to rethink our food and farming system, and leaves us with a blank piece of paper on which to redesign it. The session will look at how the move from intensive farming and the use of systems such as farrowing crates and zero grazing, Britain also needs to end the routine preventive use of antimicrobials, and to ensure that consumers are fully informed about the food they purchase through a labelling scheme showing the method of production. When the Common Agricultural Policy ends for British farmers, what sort of future farm payments system should we support? How do we ensure that public goods are recognised in any future farm subsidy framework? Can we ensure that our farmers from being undercut by low-welfare imports resulting from future free trade agreements?

LONG ROOM
WORKSHOP ON THE NEW ENGLISH ORGANIC ACTION PLAN
Speakers: Nic Lampkin (ORC), Lynda Brown (Biodynamic Association), Jyoti Fernandes (LWA), Adrian Blackshaw (Organic Trade Board), Laura MacKenzie (Soil Association), Susanne Patel (ORC).

Organic organisations are working together to create a post-Brexit organic action plan for England, in partnership with government. The plan will be launched in 2018, ahead of Brexit. To do so, ORC has launched an Organic Roundtable with the English Organic Forum, which represents the organisations working with and for organic farmers and food businesses. We need your input to define the action to take and make a difference. The overarching objectives of the plan will be introduced and smaller groups will focus on the themes of citizen access/ engagement; small-scale systems/short supply chains; national supply chains/ trade opportunities; support for organic

#ORFC #ORFC18 orfc.org.uk
LONG ROOM USING ART AS AN INSTRUMENT FOR SOCIAL CHANGE Speakers: Francesca Prince (One Tree Foundation/We Feed the World). Photographs legacies from Martin Parr to Graciela Iturbide to Rankin have donated their time to showcase the work of the women, men and communities who really feed the world, and help audiences understand some of the pressures they currently face in doing so. This will be a sneak preview of an amazing body of work that will culminate in a high profile exhibition that will open in London this time next year before traveling to cities around the world. The exhibition will also be a hub for series of talks, workshops and films led by the food sovereignty movement and featuring various artists and high profile speakers. Please come along to see the photos, hear the stories and input into next years collaborative schedule of events.

ST. ALDATE’S ROOM HOW A HOMEOPATHIC APPROACH TO FARM HEALTH CAN RESULT IN A DECREASED USAGE OF ANTIBIOTICS Chair: Lawrence Woodward (Beyond GM, HAWL). Speakers: Chris Aukland (BVSc, VetMF_Hom MRCS), Karen Seyrastedt (MSc, Integrated Healthcare, Homeopathic MARH (UK)). With increasing demand from all sectors for the use of antibiotics in food animals to be dramatically reduced, growing numbers of farmers are training to incorporate homeopathy into innovative and successful health management plans. Here. Homeopathy at Welle Level presents initial findings of two projects that collect and examine the evidence of these successes and explore what can be learned from these farmers who achieve impressive antibiotic reduction and commercial success.

ASSEMBLY ROOM CHLORINE CHICKEN AND HORMONE BEEF: WHAT WILL POST-BREXIT TRADE DEALS MEAN FOR UK FARMING? Chair: Jean Elsdon Baylock (Trade Justice Movement).

Speakers: Nick Dearden (Global Justice Now), Kerry McCarthy (MP), Honor Eldridge (Soil Association).

Future trade deals for the UK are already being discussed behind closed doors, deals that will have profound effects on farming. Tariffs are only the start in trade deals nowadays – the big focus is on regulations. Standards on pesticide and antibiotic use, the line of what is organic and what is conventional conditions and as, a result, they can limit crop performance in terms of production, quality and sustainability. Is “citizen science” the way forward, and what work is involved? A new experience on winter wheat variety testing, joining decentralised, farm-managed trials and thorough statistical analysis, is currently taking off thanks to the LIVESUED EU Project. We will take the audience through these open questions, ongoing challenges and experiences in breeding for organic and low-input systems. We will conclude with an interactive simulation of how a network of participants can develop a collective experiment.
The need for antibiotics.
Explore how a homeopathic approach can help in the treatment of gastrointestinal systems, particularly within crops at a genetic level. She is developing this area within the crops team; studying the ORC Wakelyns Innovation and working on the LIVESEED and DIVERSify EU H2020 projects.

SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

James Alexander
James runs Primewest Ltd - an organic farm, no-tillage specialists - alongside his father. Based in Oxfordshire, the business contracts farms 400 hectares including an Organic dairy farm, 300 hectares of woodland and both managed and co-managed woods.

Richard Bennett
Richard heads up the Government Relations team at the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust. He brings his scientific knowledge and practical experience of WWF to bear on policy-making, to ensure that decisions at Westminster, Brussels and the devolved administrations are as environmentally positive as they can be. Richard has a leading role on the UK’s Brexit policy on water, nature and biodiversity, working with the Green UK and Wildlife & Countryside Link networks. Outside of wildlife and conservation work, Richard is a Director of Westmill Solar Cooperative, a community-owned renewable energy development near his home in Oxfordshire, seeking to bring local people play their part in the UK’s clean energy transition in a way that enhances the natural environment. Before joining WWT, Richard was Parliamentary Programme Manager at the RSPB, focusing in particular on policy and advocacy for a Nature and Wellbeing Act and campaigning for strong environmental commitments in the run-up to the 2015 General Election.

Simon Blacklock
Simon is Professor and Head of Robotics and Automation, Agri-Epi Centre at Harper Adams University, Director of the National Centre for Precision Farming, and has managed the European FutureFarm project. He has extensive experience of multidisciplinary collaboration across universities, commercial partnerships and research projects including autonomous tractors, laser weeding, robotic phenotyping and robotic harvesting. He holds several patents around the world which gives many national and international keynote presentations. Simon leads the research in the UK on agricultural robotics. His personal research focus for FutureFarm is enabling farmers to develop more intelligent machines and processes, and making crop production more efficient and sustainable.

Adrian Blackshaw
Adrian is a Partner in a commercial organic apple and walnut business in Herefordshire. He has experience in senior roles in a number of industry organisations including believers, banking, and has served on several boards. Until recently he was Chair and joint CEO of a medical product development company. Adrian is a Business Ambassador for the Hereford University project and has a strong network in Government, agriculture and business and he believes the business is going to be effective in growing the organic market.

Alice Bettany
Alice is a small scale medicinal herb grower based in Sussex. She started her herb box scheme in 2016 turning the herbs she has grown, foraged, cultivated and widthed in from sustainable suppliers into herbal products. Alice qualified as a Western herbalist in 2014, and took a permaculture design course in 2015. She runs regular workshops teaching children about foraging and the wild medicine of our native lands. When Alice was training as a herbalist it became apparent to her that the same sustainability issues around food applied to the world of herbal medicine. She wondered how UK herbalists could become more self-sufficient and work as a community together.

Charlotte Bickler
Breeding Researcher at ORC, her work focuses on increasing the resilience of our food systems. ORC has an enduring commitment to low input agricultural systems, particularly within crops at a genetic level. She is developing this area within the crops team; studying the ORC Wakelyns Innovation and working on the LIVESEED and DIVERSify EU H2020 projects.

Liz Bowles
Liz is Head of Farming at the Soil Association. Liz has a wealth of experience of agriculture both in the UK and internationally. She has worked in the sector for more than 20 years and has a practical approach combined with scientific and sector knowledge. She is a Nuffield scholar. Her research explored commercial agriculture with an improved approach to Food Farming by developing more intelligent machines and processes, and making crop production more efficient and sustainable.

Kate Bowles
Kate is Head of Organic Research at the Soil Association, where she works to deliver an organic research programme that delivers the evidence farmers need to help achieve their sustainability goals and continue to improve the environment.

Dave Bowles
Dave is Asst Director of Public Affairs, Food, Farmers and the RSVPCA’s political, local government and campaign work in England and Europe. RSVPCA sets the standards for the UK’s only legally backed animal welfare assurance schemes. RSVPCA Assured, and uses that information to lobby for better standards of animal welfare in England and Wales.

Stephen Briggs
Stephen Briggs works for the University of Lincoln’s organic and sustainable agriculture research teams and has been involved in the development of the LinAgro research project (2014-2017) that is working with 26 organisations and 40 stakeholder groups across Europe to encourage innovative approaches to farming that can provide financial and environmental benefits.

Dee Butterly
Dee is a co-founder and grower at Southern Roots Organics Community Supported Agriculture scheme on the Devon/Dartmoor border, and is member of and works for the Landworkers Alliance. Dee coordinated A People’s Food Policy: a comprehensive publication which maps out what a national food policy could look like based on the principles of food sovereignty, the right to food and agroecology.

Nico Campo
Nico Campo is the Head of Seed Research at Agribiot, an international company that uses plant and crop genetics to develop and improve plant varieties in order to deliver benefits to farmers, consumers and the environment. Nico has a background in seed trade, and has supported a range of voluntary and community organisation’s work in the UK and internationally.

Jean-Baptiste Coubes
Jean-Baptiste is the coordinator of the Trade Justice Movement. He was one of the earliest organisers of the Café Fairmont McKeeher Award in 2006 (and joined its board in 2012), working to galvanise young people to get involved. Since then, Hands Up until 2009, has campaigned with Citizens Advice and Community Matters, and has supported many Producer Organisations in the Fresh Produce Sector. Liz has worked within the agro-food sector for over twenty years developing and running strategic industry projects, helping to identify the largest of the most significant farmers in the UK and combine this with being the President of the Board Society.

Kierra Box
Kierra Box is a campaigner in Friends of the Earth’s Brexit team. She was one of the earliest winners of the Christine McAuley Award in 2006 (and joined its board in 2012), working to galvanise young people to get involved. Since then, Hands Up until 2009, has campaigned with Citizens Advice and Community Matters, and has supported many Producer Organisations in the Fresh Produce Sector. Liz has worked within the agro-food sector for over twenty years developing and running strategic industry projects, helping to identify the largest of the most significant farmers in the UK and combine this with being the President of the Board Society.

Fabia Bromovsky
Fabia is Chief Executive of The Rothschild Foundation. After graduating in Mathematics at Somerville College, Oxford, she joined Lord Rothschild’s office in 1993. During this time she worked as a portfolio of private business investments including Clifton Little Venice, Robert Day Flowers and Clifton Nurseries. In 1997 she left Rothschild’s to set up an organic farm in France. She has been a Trustee of the Foundation currently for eight years.

Paul Burgess
Paul is Reader in Crop Ecology and a co-founder of the Crop Research Unit at Cranfield University and Secretary of the Farm woodland Forum. He is also Co-ordinator of the University’s global research project (2014-2017) that is working with 26 organisations and 40 stakeholder groups across Europe to encourage innovative approaches to farming that can provide financial and environmental benefits.

Spencer Christie
Spencer began farming at home at 16 years old. He and his wife, Emma, now have 8 WWOOFers for nine months having spent nine years working in the family engineering
SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

Chris Church
Chris is a Trustee of the Westmill Sustainable Energy Trust (WSET) funded by the wood and solar farms at Westmill, near Swindon. He is a member of the Community Environment Associates and a Trustee of Friends of the Earth.

Hannah Claxton
Hannah founded Eves Hill Veg Co in April 2016, a community-owned and managed shared ownership farming project on rented farm land. The project has been inspired by Hannah’s previous work at Organics in London and her work as a Level 2 Horticulture tutor. She is passionate about sharing productive gardening skills with the volunteers and trainees who attend the project weekly and at the local small scale, local, efficient, distribution.

Josie Cohen
Josie is Head of Policy & Campaigns for the Pesticide Action Network (PAN) UK working to replace the use of hazardous pesticides with ecologically sound and socially just alternatives. Josie has spent the past 15 years working as a campaigner for a range of organisations including the League Against Cruel Sports and Save the Children UK.

Nils Corfield
Nils has practical experience with tree management, wildlife, and organic nursery management. Since 2007 he has been teaching certified permaculture design courses, as well as a range of specialist training and education courses, from design through to practical skills. He is the Director of Edinburgh’s Trees, an urban design practice, education and nursery business which has been creating productive and ecologically low-maintenance edible landscapes since 2008. He counts amongst his clients the Edinburgh Building Society and various councils. He is a commercial nursery owner and is proficient in propagating productive, ornamental, native plants and bare-rooted shrubs, vines and herbaceous plants. This year (2017) he is coordinating a research trial of cocktail cover crops across a number of sites in the UK, establishing the best wild lawns for parasitic soil health in these systems.

David Corrie-Close
David and his wife Bekka are farming without a farm in Cumbria. They have been taking care of the Horned Beef Company. Their flying herd of native breed cattle graze land for the National Trust and Cumbria Wildlife Trust as well as private individuals. As new entrants into agriculture, it’s been a bumpy ride. They continue to search for a farm tenancy.

Caroline Corrie
Caroline is Farm Manager at Petworth Organic and is passionate about food security for people and wildlife and believes the future lies in ecology and technology working together. As a Board member, a leader in agriculture, conservation and a farmer, as an MSC in Applied Entomology, Caroline has managed Worcestershire Wildlife Trust’s Ladywell Farm for 11 years. Half of her farm is organic and the whole is managed to enhance farmland wildlife and soil health. The farm was recently surveyed to investigate the impact of agri-environment scheme management on the health of solitary bee communities on UK farmland. The abundance of bees and their pollinating insect populations, presenter and communicating key findings of their research, in the future. She is interested in the role of the bee, the importance of biodiversity and the potential for the bee to pollinate our crops.

Kath Dalmeny
Kath is Coordinator of Sustain. Her background is as a food campaigner and consultant to organisations such as the Food Commission, National Consumer Council, National Federation of Women’s Institutes, Food Climate Action Network, Green Alliance, London Authority and the London Development Agency. She has a special interest in food, sustainability and climate change; is passionate about sustainably fishing and fair trade and is increasingly fascinated by the role cities can play in improving the food system; and also increasingly interested in how the better market food and fairer trading conditions can be enjoyed more equitably by consumers and producers alike.

Anna Cohen
Anna is the policy officer for the British Medical Association on food and nutrition issues. She recently wrote a briefing paper on the unintended consequences of crop insurance programmes, comparing different national models of risk mitigation. Previously, she was the Legislative and Government Affairs Coordinator in Washington D.C. for the Center For Food Safety, a non-profit organisation that focuses on food safety, genetic engineering regulation, and agroecological/organic farming. She was a co-author on the 2016 report on potential food safety risks posed by the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade deal.

Anna Cura
Anna is a zoologist with a Master’s degree in biodiversity conservation and management from the University of Oxford. She is currently conducting research on the role of agri-environment scheme management on the health of solitary bee communities on UK farmland. She is interested in the future of the bee, the importance of biodiversity and the potential for urban food systems.

Brian Danks
Brian Danks is a research biologist with the Centre for Research on Modelling Aquatic Ecosystems (CERMAE) in France. He has been investigating the role of biodiversity in food security, and the potential of agroecology and organic farming to enhance biodiversity. Brian has also been involved in the development of new techniques for the assessment of biodiversity, and in the application of these techniques to real-world situations.

Tali Eichner
Tali runs the processing dairy at Old Farm, Hatch Farm near Petworth in West Sussex. She produces raw milk, kefir, cream and a range of award-winning organic dairy products, and has recently been developing a range of products from milk from the farm’s 35 pasture-fed, horned, Meuse-Rhine-Issel MRI cows. She is a member of the British Lactation Council and has judged at the International Cheese Show and Artisanal Cheese Awards.

Evan Evans
Evan Evans is a member of the land reform movement and has been involved in a number of projects and initiatives to support the development of community food growing projects. He is currently working as a research assistant on a study of community food growing projects in the UK, looking at the impact of these projects on food security and local food systems. Evan is also a co-founder and director of the Community Food Growing Network, a national network of community food growing organisations.

Chris Evans
Chris is a VSO volunteer in a community forestry programme in Nepal. He quickly realised the shortfalls of international development and in 1988 embarked on a career to address these shortcomings. This included founding a demonstration and training centre which grew organically into a diverse array of projects spanning four districts, 65 villages, eight working groups and a membership of 12,000 farmers. In 2001, he co-founded the Farmers’ Handbook, a free online resource that has since been used by farmers in Nepal and is based on best practice learned in Nepal, but applicable globally. He currently works with the Himalayan Permaculture Centre. Beside his grassroots roots in Nepal, Chris has taught permaculture in the UK, Europe, India, U.S.A. and Mexico. He is a UK assessment level tutor for permaculture. He is also studying for his PhD in permaculture design and has written a paper on the potential of permaculture design in the UK.

Jyoti Fernandes
Jyoti is an agroecological smallholder farmer based in Dorset, UK. The farm is part of a local smallholders’ cooperative that shares knowledge and resources across the members, and collectively. She is a member of the Land Workers’ Alliance, a national organisation of smallholders and farmers, and the coordinating committee for the European Coordination of Via Campesina between 2014-2016. Her current work with Land Workers’ Alliance is researching a Post-Brexit alternative agricultural subsidy regime for the UK, that promotes agroecological farming, food sovereignty and localised food systems.

Jake Fiennes
Jake is the Estate Manager on the 5,500 acre Revingham Estate in South Norfolk. He has spent most of his working life in the commercial property sector, and the last 15 years has been involved in community food growing projects. The Estate’s environmental policy has taken a much more rigorous role during his tenure, from the minimum of properly managed
**Speakers and Chairs**

**Kees Frederiks**
Kees is the owner of Stroud Mini Dairy. A dairy farmer of the future who was a pioneer in the revival of small, family-owned dairies. From his own experience, he knows what it means to make the transition towards more sustainable and ethical farming. He is passionate about regenerative agriculture and the role of small-scale farms in providing a viable way of life for future generations.

**Derek Gow**
Derek is the Managing Director of a specialist wildlife consultancy which is focused on protecting water voles and other vulnerable wildlife species. For over 20 years, he has been working with farmers to develop innovative conservation strategies that benefit both wildlife and agriculture. His expertise lies in developing practical, cost-effective and scalable solutions that can be implemented on farms at all scales.

**Ed Homer**
Ed runs Chegford community market garden in Devon and is a founding member of the Land Workers’ Alliance. Since 2012 he has worked as LWA policy and press officer and co-authored the LWA’s post-Brexit policy paper: Making Food Sovereignty a Reality.

**SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS**

**Julian Gold**
Julian is Farm Manager for Hendred Estate, Oxfordshire. He farms 750 hectares on a six-year rotation: arable rape, winter wheat, brassica, spring barley, winter beans, winter wheat, winter barley/second wheat. There are also sheep and shoot enterprises on farm. Julian is passionate about sustainable intensification, soil health and Controlled Traffic Farming. East Hendred has highly alkaline, silty clay loam soil over chalk, with 67% average yearly rainfall.

**Dave Goulson**
Dave is Professor of Biology at Natural History Museum, London. He is an entomologist with a special interest in bumblebees; he founded the Bumblebee Conservation Trust in 2006. He has done much research on the threats faced by this important group of insects, and he has been very influential in raising public awareness of their plight. His work has helped to protect bumblebees and other pollinators, and he is a leader in the movement to restore pollinator-friendly habitats on farms and other landscapes.

**Alex Heffron**
Alex, along with his wife, Sarah, manages a small farm in the Preseli hills of Pembrokeshire 18 months ago without any previous farming experience. Since then the couple have grown a range of different crops, including potatoes and carrots and lettuces. They now grow vegetables and medicinal plants and supplying some of the UK’s most exclusive restaurants with the highest quality produce.

**Rabbin Glen**
Rabbin is a folk singer and social historian based in Sheffield. He is a founder member of the Land Workers’ Alliance and of the Ruffly Shiso Farming to London March which brought over 1000 dairy processors and supermarkets over milk to work collaboratively to accelerate the transition towards more sustainable food systems.

**Vicki Hird**
Vicki (MSc FRES, Farming Campaign Coordinator, Sutton) is a soil ecologist and expert, strategist and senior manager who has been working on environment, food and farming issues for over 25 years. As part time Sustainable Farming Coordinator at this event, Vicki manages the farm policy and related campaigning and provides comment and guidance on these issues. As Chair of the Farming Group, she has an active role within the Soil Association and is responsible for farm R&D and developing and managing funding and mentoring programmes for agroecological enterprises.

**Perinne Hervey-Gruyer**
International business lawyer for a leading environmental organisation. She has been involved in international conferences on ancient trees, flora and fauna and now farms 170 acres of Wiltshire farmland. Her work includes an MBE in recognition for his work as a consultant on ancient trees in the Farmed Environment (CFE). His hobbies include bird watching, walking and golf.

**Katie Hastings**
Katie is a founder of the Green Island Farming to London March which brought over 1000 dairy processors and supermarkets over milk to work collaboratively to accelerate the transition towards more sustainable food systems.

**Patrick Holden**
After studying biological agriculture at Emerson College, Patrick took his farm in Wales in 1973, producing milk from a herd of Ayrshire cows which is now into a dedicated dairy herd. He is the founder-chairman of Organic Farmers and Food Workers, a network of small-scale farmers who work together to improve the standards of organic farming and to raise £80,000. England’s first community-owned farm, Fordhall is a national asset, running a care farm, youth project, organic café, farm shop, courses, workshops, volunteering, community gardening and access through farm trails. A pioneering example of the power of small actions, it shows how community-based small-scale farms can offer a viable way of life for future generations.

**Alex Heffron**
Alex, along with his wife, Sarah, manages a small farm in the Preseli hills of Pembrokeshire 18 months ago without any previous farming experience. Since then the couple have grown a range of different crops, including potatoes and carrots and lettuces. They now grow vegetables and medicinal plants and supplying some of the UK’s most exclusive restaurants with the highest quality produce.

**Paddy Heare**
Paddy is a land agent based in the Cotswolds who runs Perdix Permaculture, and is also involved in several agri-food projects for other lost British species.

**Ed Homer**
Ed runs Chegford community market garden in Devon and is a founding member of the Land Workers’ Alliance. Since 2012 he has worked as LWA policy and press officer and co-authored the LWA’s post-Brexit policy paper: Making Food Sovereignty a Reality.

**David Hardley**
David is a farmer in Monmouthshire where he runs a pedigree Jersey herd. He has been chairman of the Wales Jersey Breed Society since its creation in 2000. FFA is a pressure group set up by farmers who were disillusioned with the way farming organisations were representing their interests. FFA has a long history of civil disobedience from the fuel protests in 2000 to numerous blockades of dairy processors and supermarkets over milk prices. In March 2016 David organised The Farming to London March which brought over 3,000 farmers and supporters to London. David has twice been voted ‘personality of the year’ by readers of Farmers Weekly, received the Dairy Industry Award in 2005, and was awarded the prestigious RAMBD Prince Royal Award for his services to the dairy industry in 2007.

**Ted Green**
Ted is founder member and President of the Ancient Tree Forum, and Honorary Vice President of the International Tree Foundation. His awards include an MBE in recognition, especially trees and fungi; an honorary lecturership from Imperial College, University of London for his outstanding contribution to tree conservation and education; the Arboicultural Association Annual Award for his services to arboriculture; and the President’s Medal by the Royal Forestry Society. Ted was named one of the 100 Environmental Earth Shakers of all time in the Guardian newspaper in 2006. After working as a wilding Natural England Conservation Liaison Officer to the Crown Estates at Windsor he became and remains a regular speaker at international conferences on ancient trees, pollards, woodland pasture and parkland, and fungi.

**Perinne Hervey-Gruyer**
International business lawyer for a leading environmental organisation. She has been involved in international conferences on ancient trees, flora and fauna and now farms 170 acres of Wiltshire farmland. Her work includes an MBE in recognition for his work as a consultant on ancient trees in the Farmed Environment (CFE). His hobbies include bird watching, walking and golf.

**Clare Hollins**
Charlotte is a former chairman of the Fordhall Community Land Initiative, Fordhall Organic Farm in Shropshire. She was a founding member of the Smallholders and Farmers’ Union of England (SFU) and of ORFC 2017. His celebration of pasture-based farming to London March which brought over 1000 dairy processors and supermarkets over milk to work collaboratively to accelerate the transition towards more sustainable food systems.

**Nick Johnson**
Nick is a grower at Sheffield Organic Growers. A former Soil Association apprentice, he learnt how to grow the full range of vegetables at Trealy-rhine Organic Farm over three years ago.
SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

Adam Keeyes
Adam is a grower at Plasgwyn Farm, growing off-the-grid, organically certified, and traditional Welsh fruit, vegetables and grazing sheep on 25 acres of land in Pembridge, Herefordshire. Adam has a deep passion for agriculture, working with the British Animal Welfare Society, is a member of the Farming and Land Use Committee (Science, Environment and Rural Affairs) at Westminster, is an associate of MOOC Farming and Land Use, and a member of the Poultry Welfare Science Partnership office for a participatory approach to action plan development (www.orgc.org)."
documentation of programmes and policies involving nutrition. She has a PhD in International Development, Human Ecology and Soil Science from Cornell University. USA, and a particular interest in nutritional quality of foods. She studied and taught agriculture and rural development in Africa and Asia. She is the founder of the Centre for Agroecology, Water and Land (CAWR), and the principal investigator of the project 'Systemic Change: A world fit for food and farming'. The project is supported by the Department for International Development and applies the principles of Permaculture Design to her work in International Development.

**George McAllister**

George McAllister is a PhD researcher at the Centre for Agroecology, Water and Land (CAWR), Coventry University with a focus on facilitative agroecological learning approaches that strengthen the capacity of local agroecological organisations and self-organised networks to develop pathways for everyday peace formation in divided societies. With an NGO background going back to the early 1990s, George has been exploring and developing innovative plant-based livelihoods approaches with farmers and civil society organisations as head of programmes with UK NGO GardenAfrica www.gardenfrica.org.

**Kerry McCarthy**

Kerry McCarthy was elected as the Labour Member of Parliament for Bristol East in May 2005. Before being elected to Parliament, Kerry has a background in farming and international development. Kerry holds a master's degree in International Relations and is a qualified solicitor. She has worked as a Volunteer for the Land Reform Project in rural communities and has worked in international aid for several years. Kerry has a keen interest in matters relating to Third World development. Kerry's main policy interests are human rights, women's rights, the environment, sustainable development and human rights in the regions of the South.

**Siobhan Mullan**

Siobhan is a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Bristol Veterinary School. In her role as Director of GM Freeze, Liz works closely with farmers and others in the food and farming sector. She is a key player in shaping the debate on GM crops and their impacts on the environment and human health. Her work is focused on issues such as genetic modification, environmental impacts, and the social and economic implications of the technology. Liz is also involved in the development of policies and regulations that aim to ensure the safe and sustainable use of GM crops. She is committed to promoting a balanced and evidence-based approach to the regulation of GM crops and food products.
SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

Dan Powell
Dan has worked with the land management animal for decades. He has a wide experience of the agroecological approach of a number of different perspectives and from various country situations. Practical learning, increasing numbers of people on the land and positive rural development are all close to his heart. He is one of the co-founders of the Landbase initiative.

Flora Lege
Flora joined the Gaia Foundation in 2010 for a long career in journalism and broadcasting. Following 10 years with the BBC, she moved to New Zealand in 2005 where she founded a magazine presenting a TV show about sustainable living. Returning to the UK, Flora started working as an communications specialist. Starting Agricultural, starting up new horticultural businesses, and biochar. Flora has been well received as being a real green voice and has been with the Soil Association since 2006. His own evidence includes running a walled garden in Sussex supplying a Michelin starred restaurant, and working for Garden Organic at their gardens in Kent. Ben also set up and ran the 10 acre horticultural production at Daylesford Organic Farm, before moving to the Welsh College of Horticulture as commercial manager. More recently he has worked as community for the Farmhouse Community near Bristol.

Lesley Prior
Lesley Prior is a sheep and goat farmer producing superfine merino wool and Mangalarga grade cashmere. In the UK, welfare is a priority and Lesley is interested in the scientific measurement of welfare as a way of establishing what really matters. Behavioural assessments and usingpite stress hormones are new tools she is keen to use. Lesley has extensive connections throughout the sector for supply and processing chains for wool and cashmere. She has spoken at industry conferences in Australia and the UK and has worked with Australian and Swiss organisations as a consultant on development projects. She enjoys sharing her passion for the textile industry, and helping new and emerging opportunities for people, but above all, she enjoys spending time quietly sharing the lives of her sheep and goats.

Sue Pritchard
Sue is Director of the RSA Land Commission, a two-year inquiry into the future of the UK’s food, farming and countryside, as we exit the EU. The Commission seeks to engage people and communities in crafting a vision for a food system that works for the environment, produces what society needs, and contributes to our health and happiness. Sue’s background is researching, writing and advising on new thinking for more sustainable futures. At home, Sue runs Llanfanarf Farm, which also hosts the Soil Biodynamic Foundation and a charity providing ‘green care’ education and development.

Ben Raskin
Ben is Head of Horticulture at the Soil Association. His specialist knowledge and experience of land and peat production for biodiversity in the solar industry.

Oli Redder
Oli is Executive Director for the Ecological Land Cooperative and is part of the core group of the Land Workers’ Alliance (LWA) and has worked on new business start-ups and associated support for over 20 years Oli also has worked and continues to work on a variety of environmental projects and campaigns.

Mark Rumball
Mark began his career at Just April in Scotland supplying ingredients for the factory. His initial training involved learning about all aspects of manufacturing, from packing and compounding, to responsible sourcing of ingredients. It was through this training that he stumbled across a passion for fresh seasonal organic herbs and salads, which led him to his career as an ethical buyer. Mark has worked as an ethical buyer for over 15 years working with various companies as “wonderfully varied” - helping to maintain the foundations of an ethical company by sourcing ingredients from the best, most region-specific, and responsible sourcing current materials to see what can be improved. Mark is keen to support local growers and regenerative agriculture.

Sue Pritchard
Sue is Director of the RSA Land Commission, a two-year inquiry into the future of the UK’s food, farming and countryside, as we exit the EU. The Commission seeks to engage people and communities in crafting a vision for a food system that works for the environment, produces what society needs, and contributes to our health and happiness. Sue’s background is researching, writing and advising on new thinking for more sustainable futures. At home, Sue runs Llanfanarf Farm, which also hosts the Soil Biodynamic Foundation and a charity providing ‘green care’ education and development.

Carrie Rickett
Carrie is Head of Learning at the Eden Project, responsible for adult learning and leadership programmes. She has been an organic farmer for 30 years and is a partner in a 700 acre mixed livestock farm. Charlotte also trained as a journalist and worked for the Soil Association. She currently works as a media executive in the NHS, on the board of the acute trust for Cornwall.

Courtney Scott
Courtney is Research and Policy Advisor at the Food Commission. Her independent think tank that tackles the growing challenges facing the UK’s food system through the interests of the UK public. She provides policy advice in the US and Brussels, focusing on non-communicable disease prevention. Courtney has a PhD in economics, has Masters in public health nutrition from the University of California, Berkeley, and earned her BSc in nutrition policy at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Molly Scott Cato
Molly is an economist and writer who has campaigned for green politics all her adult life. She studied policies, philosophy and economics at Oxford University and has a PhD in Economics. She worked as Professor of Economics at Roehampton University in London. Molly’s other areas of special interest include land ownership and food production, renewable energy, especially when owned by local communities; cooperatives and self-managed firms. She joined the Green Party in 1988 and has worked for the party at all levels, including a year spent as joint-share Campaigns Director on the party’s national executive and several years as Chair of its regional council. Before being elected to the European Parliament, Molly led the Green Group in London Assembly and was Chair of the Council’s Audit Committee. For the past 15 years Molly has been a member of the Green Party on economics and finance.

Karen Sayer
Karen is a Horniman homeopath based in London, currently studying the role of homeopathy in regenerative agriculture. She is undertaking a qualitative research project interviewing farmers in Scandinavia, Holland and the UK, who have taken a basic training in homeopathy and use homeopathy as part of their farm health management.

Matt Sheldrow
Matt is a natural historian, writer and conservationist, and is the Chief Executive of

Guy Parker
Guy is Director of Wychwood Biodiversity (www.wychwoodbiodiversity.co.uk) who have played a leading role in the development of good practice guidance for biodiversity in the solar industry.

Helena Paul
Helena is co-director of Ecoexus (www.ecoexus.info). She has worked on indigenous peoples’ rights and tropical forests; oil exploitation in the tropics; biodiversity and agricultural biodiversity; agriculture and climate change, especially bioenergy; patents on life, genetic engineering (GE); synthetic biology, geoengineering, and corporate power.

Adam Payne
Adam is co-founder and grower at Southern Roots Organics Community Supported Agriculture scheme and manages Lower Hewwood Farm, a 45 acre organic livestock farm on the Devon/Dorset border. Adam is also on the coordinating group of the Land Workers’ Alliance (LWA) as a coordinator and spokesperson for the European Coordination of Via Campesina (ECVC) in 2014-2016.

Ian Pigott
Ian runs a diversified farming business in Hertfordshire. A keen supporter of conservation agriculture he devotes a lot of his time to reconnecting young people with food, farming and biodiversity through education initiatives and public engagement. He founded The Farmshop! Charity with his wife Gillian in 2014. He is a Nuffield Scholar, the founder of the UK’s national farm open day, Open Farm Sunday, a trustee of LEAF, and a columnist for Farmers Weekly. Ian was awarded an OBE for services to Agriculture and Education in the 2016 New Year’s Honours List.

Christopher Price
Christopher is the Director of Policy and Advice at the Country Land and Business Union (CLA). He has overall responsibility for managing all the CLA’s national policy and advisory work. He makes sure that the organisation’s policy work is focused on what matters most, and that members’ queries are dealt with accurately and efficiently. A farming and environmental law background, he joined the CLA as Public Law Adviser in 2002. He became Chief Legal Adviser in 2007 and took up the position later that year. Before coming to the CLA Christopher worked in local government for a number of different authorities.

David Price
David works for the Seed Co-operative, a community-owned seed company, an initiator of the Biodynamic Association, which is supported by Garden Organic and the Organic Research Centre. David’s main areas of responsibility are in the development of the Seed Co-operative as an organisation. After completing agricultural college and working in contracting business undertaking practical land management work, mainly on nature reserves. This included woodland and scrub management, livestock fencing, moving and a firewood business. Later David moved in to management training for the Norwich Wildlife Trust, RSBP, Environment Agency and Heritage Lottery Fund. See: www.seedcooperative.org.uk

Francisca Price
Francisca joined the Gaia Foundation in 2010 for a long career in journalism and broadcasting. Following 10 years with the BBC, she moved to New Zealand in 2005 where she founded a magazine presenting a TV show about sustainable living. Returning to the UK, Francisca started working as an communications specialist. Starting Agricultural, starting up new horticultural businesses, and biochar. Francisca has been well received as being a green voice and has been with the Soil Association since 2006. His own evidence includes running a walled garden in Sussex supplying a Michelin starred restaurant, and working for Garden Organic at their gardens in Kent. Ben also set up and ran the 10 acre horticultural production at Daylesford Organic Farm, before moving to the Welsh College of Horticulture as commercial manager. More recently he has worked as community for the Farmhouse Community near Bristol.

Lesley Reason
Lesley is a Director of Southhill Community Energy, whose mission is to maximise biodiversity in their site. Lesley is also Communities Director for the OxfordLow Carbon Hub.

Pete Richie
Pete is Executive Director of Nestlé UK and Ireland and a member of the Scottish Food Coalition. He has been a farmer, running Whitmuir Organics with his partner Heather Anderson. He has background in community development and social policy. He has a beautiful cottage called Lucy.

Ellen Rignall
Ellen is a grower at Trill Farm of sweetcorn, salad, peas, beans and other vegetables in East Devon, and is the South West Regional Coordinator for the Gaia Foundation’s Seed Sovereignty programme. Ellen is trained in plant science and biology and focuses on seed saving and production at Trill Farm Garden which produces seed for the Real Seed Catalogue.

Karen Sayer
Karen is a Horniman homeopath based in London, currently studying the role of homeopathy in regenerative agriculture. She is undertaking a qualitative research project interviewing farmers in Scandinavia, Holland and the UK, who have taken a basic training in homeopathy and use homeopathy as part of their farm health management.

Matt Sheldrow
Matt is a natural historian, writer and conservationist, and is the Chief Executive of...
Buglife, the charity that looks after bees, snails, beetles and all other invertebrates. Matt has an MSc in Conservation Biology, and before Buglife was an ecologist at the RSPB overseeing the management and monitoring of biodiversity on nature reserves. Matt writes a regular Country Diary column, and contributes to the development processes being convened by the Greener UK and Wildlife & Countryside Link networks.

Geetia Singh-Watson
Geetia grew up on a commune in Somerset, where she was taught from an early age to be aware of the impact we each make on the world around us. She moved to London in the early 1990s and started working in restaurants, but became deeply disillusioned with the lack of sustainability. She quickly decided there was a market for a restaurant that cared about its impact on the environment as well as serving fantastic food and drink. It took a few years to make a plan, find the money and the right venue, but in 1996 she opened The Duke of Cambridge – the UK’s first organic restaurant. The largest 100% organic retailer, LWA and a social scientist by training, she is currently working on developing the Greenpathway App which will enable small businesses to act responsibly and be led by their values. On this, Geetia has said: “If someone asks you if you’re a restaurateur? Well don’t you think you can do without being bloody good at your job, but I would say both are equally important to me. Food is my love – but food at any cost? Not on my life!”

Guy Singh-Watson
Guy is the founder of Britain’s largest 100% organic retailer, Riverford Organic Farms. Following first-hand experience of the unethical behaviour of supermarket chains, he decided to sell direct to customers, and offer other organic farmers a chance to market their produce at a guaranteed price. A self-confessed ‘veg nerd’, Guy lectures on ethical business, has written several cookbooks, and campaigns on issues such as pesticide use and intensive livestock farming.

Chris Smaje
Chris helps work a small farm where he lives in Frome, Somerset. A member of the LWA and a social scientist by training, he’s written on agriculture, sustainability and social issues with various civil society and small-scale farmers’ groups worldwide. See: www.smailfarm.org

Andy Smith
Andy is Senior Lecturer in Forestry and Director of Research at the Centre for Environmental, Natural Resources and Geography, Bangor University. He leads the Silva Fennica Natural Network Research for Low, Energy and Environment (NRN-LCEE) project, Multi-Land. Multi-Land is investigating the role that trees, woodlands and forests have on the provision of food, water and resilience of ecosystem services, to generate an evidence-base to improve the integration of agriculture and forests since 1995.

Andy held the positions of Climate Change Impact Scientist at the NERC Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (2011-2013), and postdoctoral researcher at Bangor University (2010-2013). He has expertise in climate change impacts on biogeochemical processes and plant-soil interactions. His work includes above- and below-ground aspects of forest ecology. In particular, he studies the impact of global warming and elevated CO2 on plant community dynamics, and below-ground ecosystems.

Jo Smith
Jo has been working at the Organic Research Centre since June 2009. Jo is Principal Agroecology Researcher, Jo is responsible for agroecology research and is working on a range of European projects investigating the role of agroecology as a way of reconceiving production with protection of the environment. Jo is a member of the executive committee of the Farming and Forests Network. Jo has a background in agroecology research and is a council member for the European Agroforestry Federation. Jo is involved in research projects relating to multifunctionality in the farm and forestry environment, particularly with respect to animal health and nutrition.

Ricarda Steinbrecher
Ricarda is a biologist, molecular geneticist and co-founder of EcoNexus. She has worked on GMOs, their risks and impacts on agriculture, environment and health during her PhD at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and with the Swiss foundation for bioethics. She is committed to international expert groups on the risk assessment of GMOs, as well as synthetic biology. Ricarda is a founding member of the European Network of Scientists for Social and Environmental Responsibility and was a co-founder of the Swiss Society for Civil Society and small-scale farmers’ groups worldwide. See: www.econexus.info

Kate Still
Kate is a farming advisor with a focus on working with farmers to improve the health of their livestock, as well as their welfare and production efficiency. She has been instrumental in developing the Assure Welfare outcome assessment and advice service for Livestock. Kate is a collaborative programme to embed welfare outcomes into the assurance process of livestock systems, and an avenue of intervention to prevent welfare problems and optimise enterprise performance. Additionally, Kate runs workshops and workshops coordinated a number of field labs. With a BSc Honours in Agriculture, Kate’s career to date has included practical farming (predominantly dairy and sheep), farm business consultancy, and providing advice to farmers on agri-environment schemes and conservation on farmland (botanical specialism).

Anne Starkst
Anne is a clinical herbal practitioner based in Devon, and until 2010 was Director of Complementary & Alternative Sciences at Middlesex University in London. She is a co-founder of Holt Wood Herbs (www.holtwootherbs.co.uk) a small family business that has been transformed from a redundant conifer plantation to a productive medicinal forest garden based on permaculture design principles. Anne is a member of the National Sheep Association and the British Association of Herbalists and Naturopaths. She has written several books about his experiences, the most recent being “Back to Earth”, self-published in 2016.

Steve Trotter
Steve is the first Director for England at The Wildlife Trusts. Steve is a lifelong campaigner for nature and advocate for better access to the natural world. He obtained a degree in Botany from the University of Essex in the UK. Steve is passionate about working with farmers to develop innovative and sustainable solutions to nature conservation issues. He has written several papers on the integration of agriculture and nature conservation and has given talks on the benefits of working with farmers.

Phil Stocker
Phil joined the National Sheep Association as Chief Executive in 2009. The National Sheep Association has 15 years with the National Sheep Association. Phil has 25 years of livestock and arable farming experience, managing several different farms. He is committed to the Association being recognised as the focal point for UK grassroots sheep farming issues. He is passionate that sheep be properly recognised as a key enterprise, and long term sheep farming maintains its tradition and culture while making technical advances to meet the future challenges and opportunities.

Andrew Trump
Andrew has been working in agriculture business, Andrew runs Organic Arable, the only wholly organic grain marketing business in the UK. Organic Arable is run by farmers, and works differently from other grain traders, working closely with individual farmers and seeking long-term supply agreements, so members can grow crops for a known market.

Colin Tudge
Colin is a blogger by education and a writer by trade, authoring a book on organic farming and the philosophy of science. He is currently working to establish a ‘College for Enlightened Agriculture’. Colin tweets as @ColinTudge,

Marek Thiemlenn
Marek has worked in various roles at Oxfam, WWF, Bingenheimer Saatgut AG since 2014. Bingenheimer Saatgut is a relatively small company with a large reputation in organic and certified organic seed production. Marek is also a keen advocate for genetic underpinning. Bingenheimer Saatgut stands for a large range of biodynamic seed varieties and is a strong regional player with the knowledge of agriculture and sales in Eastern Europe. In addition to industry knowledge, Marek’s approach is to think about agroecology. He is the CEO of the biodynamic farm. He is a freelance as a journalist, a photographer and dabbles in videography.

Iain Talhurst
Iain has been active within the organic movement for over 40 years and runs the UK’s most successful organic supermarket chain, The Real Food Company. He is also involved with the Greener UK and Wildlife & Countryside Link networks. He is a member of the Soil Association’s National Board and a frequent public speaker on issues related to multifunctionality in the farm and forestry environment, particularly with respect to animal health and nutrition.

Steve Trotter
Steve is the first Director for England at The Wildlife Trusts. Steve is a lifelong campaigner for nature and advocate for better access to the natural world. He obtained a degree in Botany from the University of Essex in the UK. Steve is passionate about working with farmers to develop innovative and sustainable solutions to nature conservation issues. He has written several papers on the integration of agriculture and nature conservation and has given talks on the benefits of working with farmers.

Andrew Trump
Andrew has been working in agriculture business, Andrew runs Organic Arable, the only wholly organic grain marketing business in the UK. Organic Arable is run by farmers, and works differently from other grain traders, working closely with individual farmers and seeking long-term supply agreements, so members can grow crops for a known market.
SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS

Ashley Wheeler
Ashley runs Trill Farm Garden with his partner Kate. They specialise in growing salads to sell to restaurants around Lyme Regis. Ashley is a founding member of the Land Workers Alliance and is currently helping to launch LandBase.

Sarah Williams
Sarah is Programme Director for Sutton having joined in 2009, as part of the Capital Growth team who successfully supported 2,012 new community food growing spaces in London. Sarah has developed new areas of work at Sutton including the national Dig programme and work on the Growing for Health programme. She currently oversees most of the London programme of work, run under the London Food Link umbrella, and represents Sutton on the London Food Board. In her time at Sutton her roles have included running community regeneration projects, including at Groundwork East London where she led on a series of environment-based projects.

Donna Williamson
Duncan is a global food system expert and has been working in the field of sustainable systems for over 20 years. He is the Food Policy Director for WWF UK, heading their food work. He devised and delivered the on-going Livewell project, which is demonstrating that a sustainable diet can be sustainable. He is leading the WWF Network’s position on sustainable diets, coordinates WWF’s work on sustainable food security, and advises companies on food sustainability issues. He has run projects in Greece, Thailand and on the Galapagos Islands. He has degrees in Sustainable Environment and Food, and was awarded an MA in Food and Sustainable Agriculture. He is a Director at Eating Better, on the Advisory Board of the Pasture-Fed Livestock Association and has been a member of the board of the Land Workers Alliance for many years. He is a founder member of the Ceres有机 lobby.

Greame Willis
Greame is a Senior Rural Policy Campaigner at CROPS, specialising in food and farming. He managed CPRÉ’s Mapping Local Food Webs project which researched local food networks nationally from 2007-2012, wrote CPRÉ’s New Model Farming: resilience through diversity report (August 2016) and Uncertain harvest: does the loss of farms matter? (August 2017). Graeme previously taught at Sunderland University and Anglia Ruskin University and now works at Anglia Ruskin University and comes from a Cheechee farming family.

EXHIBITION

SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

Compassion in World Farming is a leading force for animal welfare worldwide. Ten years ago, a British farmer who became highly concerned by the development of factory farming was inspired by the charity’s work; since it was founded, Compassion has made a significant contribution to animal welfare. Its campaigning work has resulted in the EU recognising animal sentience, enabling, capable of feeling pain and suffering, has secured landmark agreements to outlaw the battery cage for laying hens as well as outlawing narrowveal crated cattle and sow stalls across Europe. In addition, Compassion has worked on a series of environment-based initiatives such as the EU Food Secure Project.

EXHIBITORS

Aberystwyth University (IBERS) and Bangor University (SENRYG) has been successfully delivering training to agricultural professionals for the past five years and are now partners in the much broader offering of The Agri Food Training Partnership. The IBERS courses focus on agricultural production and the SENRYG courses give you the option to focus your learning on environmental topics. Our regularly-updated postgraduate programmes reflect the research strengths of the two Universities: animal-plant-microbe-soil interactions, sustainability and efficiency.

www.aber.ac.uk/ibers

www.bangor.ac.uk/sernyg

The Biodynamic Land Trust aims to mobilise communities to secure land for ecological farming for future generations. Part of the emerging access to land movement, the charity (founded 2011) has secured land and through community shares to buy five farms in Sussex, Gloucestershire, Worcestershire, Devon and the Orkneys, providing tenancies for farmers, including new entrants. By de-commodifying and securing land to grow healthy local food, it builds communities around vibrant, working biodynamic farms.

www.biodynamiclandtrust.org.uk

Cowsfield Seeds – complex seed mixtures and the benefits they bring to animal health, soil fertility and farm profitability are disputed. Cowsfield Seeds and our focus at this year’s ORFC will be on herbal keys. We will be sharing our brand new easy to use guide, “The Herbal Key Farming System” and our technical advisors will be on hand to talk to face to face about the many benefits of herbal keys as providers of natural fertiliser, mineral rich feed, drought resistance and warm control.

www.cowsfieldseeds.co.uk

At Triodos Bank we offer a uniquely sustainable approach to banking. We lend “real” money entrusted to us by our savers and investors who share our values. Our lending is 100% ethical and transparent. The UK market for organic products is thriving. Farmers are seeking new ways to diversify in this dynamic market, while making their processes as sustainable as possible. Triodos Bank actively supports the organic market by sourcing some of the UK’s leading organic businesses from - farmers, producers and processors to retailers and restaurants. We are passionate about sustainable farming practices, biodiversity and organic food production.

www.triodos.co.uk

PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

The Land Workers’ Alliance (LWA) is a producer-led union of small-scale and family farmers who use sustainable methods to produce food, fibre and fuel. The LWA is an official member organisation of La Via Campesina which represents over 200 million small-scale farmers around the world, and promotes the role that our members play in providing food security, environmental stewardship, livelihoods, and our technical advisors will be on hand to talk to face to face about the many benefits of beef keys as providers of natural fertiliser, mineral rich feed, drought resistance and warm control.

Back for another year, the Blackwell’s book stall will once again stock the recommended reading list and book awards.

SUSTAIN is the alliance for better food and farming, representing around one hundred national members, and supporting hundreds more at local level, working together to create a fair, healthy, ethical and sustainable future for our food, farming and fishing.

www.sustainweb.org
conference, including many written by this year’s speakers and delegates. For learning, for life.
www.blackwells.co.uk

The Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience (CAWR) drives innovative, transdisciplinary research on the understanding and development of resilient food and water systems internationally. New knowledge, policies and technologies are needed to develop systems that are more resilient to change and which ensure the health of our food and water supplies. Resilient systems are better able to bounce back from stresses caused by longer-term change or short-term events. The Centre’s research develops and integrates new knowledge in social, agroecological, hydrological and environmental processes, as well as the pivotal role that communities play in developing resilience. Unique to this Centre is the incorporation of citizen-generated knowledge – the participation of farmers, water users and other citizens in transdisciplinary research, using holistic approaches which cross many disciplinary boundaries. CAWR works with local, national and international social movements and public bodies in order to bring about transformational change.
www.coventry.ac.uk/research/areas-of-research/agroecology-water/resilience

Cranfield University – Cranfield is an exclusively postgraduate university that is a global leader for education and transformational research in technology and management. For the past 50 years, Cranfield has been contributing to enhancing natural capital and ensuring that global food systems are more resilient for the future. We work with global and domestic agriculture and food companies, environmental agencies and governments to ensure that our research benefits all in society.
www.cranfield.ac.uk

The Ecological Land Cooperative develops affordable, low impact, smallholdings for ecological agriculture in England and Wales. By supporting new entrants into ecological agriculture we help revitalise rural communities. We want to see a living, working countryside where land is valued as a way to enhance the good of communities and the natural world.
www.ecologicalandcoop.org

Ethex brings together on one platform the best positive investment opportunities to make it easy to make money do good. Through Ethex people can invest into businesses that they believe in – whether it’s organic farming, fair trade or land trusts – and these positive businesses can then find the investment they need to develop and grow. Ethex enables organisations to access new sources of investment from its 12,000+ strong investor base who are keen to generate social, environmental and financial returns from the products they invest in. To date we have helped more than 60 social enterprises raise over £57 million.
www.ethex.org.uk

Homestead at Welle Level (HAWL) – award-winning Farm Homestead, purpose now in its 17th year, HAWL has been established since 2001 and has taught hundreds of farmers and smallholders how to use homestead for their animals. People who come on the course are generally concerned about antibiotic usage, and/or are looking for holistic alternatives to improve health without compromising welfare.
www.hawl.co.uk

Indie Farmer is an online magazine that celebrates the small-scale producers and growers that are redefining tradition and exploring new ways to farm and produce real food. We share inspirational stories about the real farming movement and give a voice to those dedicated to making better, food, and safer food in the UK and beyond. We also highlight the ethical, political and environmental issues connected to modern farming and food production.
www.indiefarmer.com

The Land is written by and for people who believe that the roots of justice, freedom, social security and democracy lie not so much in access to money, or the ballot box, as in access to land and its resources.
www.thelandmagazine.org.uk

LandBase launched at the Oxford Real Farming Conference 2017. We offer experience-led events for motivated land-workers. LandBase seeks to meet the needs of those who seek to establish viable community-centred, rural and resilient businesses quickly and efficiently, especially those from urban background with little formal agri-hortic training. LandBase envisions a world where people can earn their livelihood from the land without denying one to their children and grandchildren.
www.landbase.org.uk

New Food Entrepreneur – we are launching a new website and social media campaign, New Food Entrepreneur, to promote stories of people who have made a success of producing and selling “real” food. We will target the millennial generation in order to encourage them to enter the sector and grow it. The second phase of the project will be to establish local programmes that directly support new young people with production, branding, marketing and selling.

www.orfc.org.uk

The Organic Research Centre (ORC) is the UK’s leading independent research centre for the development of organic/agroecological food production and land management. ORC aims to influence policy and public debates based on sound evidence and foster knowledge exchange. ORC established the collaborative Agroecology project, supported by the Daylesford Foundation, jointly with the Allerton Project (GWCT). Agroecology.co.uk is a one-stop-shop for practical information about sustainable farming based on agroecological principles.
www.organicresearchcentre.com
www.agroecology.co.uk

Permaculture Association of Britain (PAB) – we support our members and others in the permaculture network to design thriving communities across Britain by applying permaculture ethics and principles, and contribute to permaculture worldwide. Whether involved in gardening, farming, building homes, economic regeneration or business, using permaculture design empowers people to make the right choices for a sustainable future. By putting ethics first and using natural systems as a model, there are innovative ways to live fairly and sustainably now and in the future.
www.permaculture.org.uk

Seed Co-operative – we only sell certified organic and biodynamic open pollinated vegetable, herb and flower seeds produced by a network of small-scale growers in the UK and four similar networks in central Europe. As the UK's community-owned seed company you can buy shares, become a member and help take back control of our seeds. We have a stall with last year’s stock at knockdown prices, and we are participating in workshops; come and find out more!
www.seedcooperative.org.uk

Stir to Action is a community organisation that publishes a quarterly magazine (STIR), runs workshop programmes and short courses, produces “How-to” resources for setting up co-operatives and community enterprises, commissions original artwork and facilitates social economy start-ups. STIR magazine explores community ownership, co-operatives, post-growth economics, food sovereignty, alternative finance, law and social change, open data, cultural activism, peer-to-peer production, and the future of work.
www.stirtoaction.com

Woodland Trust – incorporating trees into existing farm management practices can help to support a more sustainable and productive agricultural sector. From simple hedgerow plantings to fully integrated agroforestry systems, trees help address a range of issues affecting sustainable farming by contributing to: shade, shelter, water and pollution management, reducing soil erosion, pollination, integrated pest management and product diversification. The Woodland Trust offers tailored advice, support and trees for farmers wanting to plant on their land.
www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/farming

WWOOF UK connects volunteers wanting to learn about ecological growing and low impact lifestyles with sites across Scotland, Wales, England and Northern Ireland living ethically, needing practical help on the land and willing to share knowledge. Food and accommodation are provided in exchange. WWOOF UK is a registered charity.
www.wwoof.org.uk

NETWORKING

Save time for networking! There will be networking opportunities in the breaks and during the lunches, as well as informal networking opportunities in the breaks and during and after the conference.

CONTACT

Keep in touch during and after the conference. Tweet @ORFC use the hashtag #ORFC18 and sign up to our mailing list at orfc.org.uk
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Session</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9:00 -</td>
<td>Miraculous abundance: one quarter acre, two French farmers and enough food to feed the world</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:00 -</td>
<td>Delivering public benefits from our land post-Brexit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 -</td>
<td>Creating a network of incubator farms for the UK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 -</td>
<td>Small-scale allotments to on-farm slaughter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 -</td>
<td>Heritage Gran Lab</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 -</td>
<td>Creating gardens of sanctity</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00 -</td>
<td>Seed: the beginning and the end</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:30 -</td>
<td>BREAK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Brexit (De) regulation marketplace – session 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Making the people’s food policy a reality</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Mechanical weeding: tried and tested</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Developing healthy and sustainable UK herb cultivation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Access to land for agroecological farming – getting practical while dreaming big</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30 -</td>
<td>Harmony in Food and farming</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>BREAK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Scotland’s good food nation bill: what would count as success?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Agraregulatory law, are we taxing it right?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Mixing it up! Improving the diversity of arable land and crop species</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Workshop on new English organic action plan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Personal resilience</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:00 -</td>
<td>Nature friendly farming network</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>Launchpad</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13:00 -</td>
<td>LUNCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Restoring lost species to their landscapes. Can farmers really help?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Chlorine chicken and hormone beef: What will post-Brexit trade deals mean for UK farming?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Civil disobedience and policy change</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Soil frontiers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Farming, food and medicine - a healthy ‘imbalance’ to stress?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Organic arable breeding as a “citizen science” experience</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14:30 -</td>
<td>Slipstream Wales: scaled up change and bold ambition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15:30 -</td>
<td>BREAK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16:00 -</td>
<td>Closing plenary</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16:00 -</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
OXFORD TOWN HALL
Venue for the majority of conference sessions and whole conference networking

CHRISTOPHER ROOM
Located in the Parish Rooms on Pembroke Street, venue for some conference sessions

THE VAULTS & GARDEN
Evening dinner venue (lamb and vegetarian). Café open all day. Present your conference badge to receive 10% off food and drink throughout the day

TURL STREET KITCHEN
Evening dinner venue (beef and vegetarian). Café open all day. Present your conference badge to receive 15% off food throughout the day. Evening hosted by the Pasture-Fed Livestock Association

MODERN ART OXFORD
Café open all day. Evening hosted by the Land Workers’ Alliance

ST ALDATES TAVERN
Not an ORFC venue this year, but delegates often meet up here after the end of the conference

ORGANIC DELI
Evening dinner venue (vegan). Café open all day

THALI CAFÉ
Evening dinner venue (vegan, vegetarian or chicken). Café open all day