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Don't snub the
survey...

Victoria Hicks, National CFE Coordinator, explains why you're only 11 questions away from becoming a vital CFE statistic...

"It's imperative that all farmers respond to the Defra postal survey this year to help us create a clear and reliable picture of what farmers have achieved through the Campaign. This will be the last ever survey to assess the land area managed under the CFE, which makes it an important set of figures to collect. With only 11 questions to complete and a table to record any land meeting, or nearly meeting, the CFE's voluntary measures you'll have finished it whilst listening to an episode of the Archers! The first few questions are centred on your understanding and awareness of the Campaign, and then your environmental management for the cropping year 2011 to 2012. Read more [here](#)

Watch out for the Defra Survey!

The survey to record land managed under the Campaign for the Farmed Environment is being sent out by Defra on 20th February. It's being sent to 5,500 farmers randomly selected from across the whole of England who have more than 10 ha of arable land. If you receive a survey please respond, as this is an excellent opportunity to demonstrate the unpaid environmental management carried out on English farms. If you need any help in completing the form please call 02476 858892.



Registration deadline for YFC Competition looming

By the time you'll be reading this, you will still have chance to enter our young farmers competition that asks teams to suggest how a farm of their choice can support the CFE. All teams entering will receive a free bag of Campaign seed mix from Kings Game Cover and Conservation Crops to give to their chosen farm. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs including CLA Game fair tickets, subscriptions to Practical Farm Ideas and prize money donated by Masstocks Farm Consultancy. Visit our [website](#) or

email yfcomp@cfeonline.org.uk for more information.

Cultivate stubble land from 15 Feb

Retain your over wintered stubble land until 14 February and you will be supporting the campaign! Please record any eligible stubble land using our online record form www.cfeonline.org.uk

CFE Annual Meeting

Discussions on what has been achieved by the CFE and moving forward were key as Local Campaign Coordinators, partner leads and farmer chairs gathered together on January 23 at the CFE Annual meeting held at the Woodside Conference Centre. Click [here](#) to view the full presentations.

Tell us what you have done to support the CFE?

We are always looking for case studies, tell us what you have done to help support the Campaign and we will publish it.

One-to-One Farm Visits

The Campaign for the Farmed Environment is offering free one-to-one visits to farmers and landowners interested in knowing more about the CFE and how they can support the Campaign on

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their farm. These informal visits provide farmers the opportunity to explore their farms' potential for supporting the Campaign, either through Entry Level Stewardship, Campaign Voluntary Measures or a combination of both. Read more [here](#)

GIVE AWAYS

Free farm signs

Farmers and land managers across England are being offered free signs to show they are protecting the environment and wildlife on their farms to support the Campaign. The signs, supported by Syngenta, can be used to indicate key target options in Entry Level Stewardship (ELS) and Campaign voluntary measures. Request a sign by emailing cfeonline@nfu.org.uk or calling 024 76858 536.



CFE Calendar

The CFE has produced a 2012 Calendar, complete with all the dates for cross compliance, ELS and CFE options for each month. Visit our website to download the Calendar [here](#)



Free advice DVDs

The Programme Office have 'Growing Farmland Wildlife, with Environmental Stewardship' DVDs to give away. Email [here](#) for your copy. Remember to include your name and full postal address to get a copy of this advice tool produced by Natural England and Defra.

Free Advice Leaflets

Farmers and land managers can request FREE copies of advice leaflets around the Campaign themes of Resource Protection, Farming for Birds and Farming for Farm Wildlife. Request copies by emailing cfeonline@nfu.org.uk or calling 024 76858 536.

Latest Photos



Victoria Hicks CFE Project Coordinator discusses voluntary measures at LAMMA 2012.

EVENTS

07 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Staffordshire
08 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Lincolnshire
09 Feb	Farm Business Updates 2012: Hinchingsbrooke Country Park
10 Feb	Farm Walk: Maidstone
14 Feb	1:1 Advice Clinic: Kent
15 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Leicestershire
16 Feb	Biobed Demonstration: Banbury
16 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Lincolnshire
20 Feb	Farm Business Updates 2012: Cedars Hotel
21 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Warwickshire
21 Feb	1:1 Advice Clinic: Kent
21 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Northamptonshire
21 Feb	Pesticide Workshop: Banbury
23 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Derbyshire
23 Feb	Green Futures 2012: Nottinghamshire
28 Feb	Free Green Breakfast: Worcestershire
29 Feb	Farm Business Updates 2012: Mansion House

For full details of all these events please click [here](#)