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Don't miss out on CFE advice at Cereals 2011

With a year remaining for the Campaign for the Farmed Environment, farmers and land managers can't afford to miss out on the practical advice on offer at Cereals 2011 to guide decision making that supports the CFE for this cropping year. The CFE area (stand D431) will provide farmers with advice and practical tips on voluntary environmental management which is best suited to their holdings.

Record uncropped land for the CFE

The June 2011 Defra Survey of Agriculture and Horticulture is currently available for completion. Holdings selected for the survey will be asked to record uncropped land as well as game covers and wild bird seed mixtures which are one of the CFE targets. Read more [here](#).

New report shows CFE is making progress but more needs to be done

More than 60 per cent of farmers and land managers who have renewed or joined Entry Level Stewardship have done so to directly throw their weight behind the Campaign for the Farmed Environment, according to a new survey. News that voluntary land management is being actively put in place by farmers and land managers to provide environmental benefits across England has been welcomed by the CFE. But, the partnership has warned that with just one more year to achieve some tough targets the good work on the ground needs to increase but those that have taken action to support the CFE need to be congratulated. Read more [here](#).

Renew or join ELS to support the CFE

If you have an Entry Level Stewardship (ELS) agreement which is coming up for renewal or you are considering joining the scheme make sure one third of your points are put in key target options like field corner management, pollen and nectar mixes and wild bird seed mixes. Apply or renew online [here](#).

Farm visits

If you are considering signing up to ELS, Organic ELS or Uplands ELS for the first time, or if you are renewing your agreement or transferring from an expiring Countryside Stewardship or Environmentally Sensitive Area agreement, you can have a FREE one-to-one farm visit to help you through the process. A local and experienced adviser will give you information on applying, choosing and locating the right options for your farm, and managing options over the agreement period. To arrange a FREE farm visit please contact the Natural England events team on 0300 060 1695 or click [here](#) for further details.



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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.

Free advice DVDs

The Programme Office have another 50 DVDs 'Growing Farmland Wildlife, with Environmental Stewardship' to give away. Email [here](#) for your copy. Remember to include your name and full postal address. The first 50 requests get a copy of this advice tool produced by Natural England and Defra.

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CFE events for farmers and advisers

Farm walks and advice clinics throughout June will provide you with an opportunity to find out about what you can do to support the CFE by putting in place key target options in ELS and Campaign voluntary measures. Find out more [here](#)

RSPB Hope Farm: Cambridgeshire

Visit the RSPB's Hope Farm on the 23 June to see many of the CFE options in practice and discuss how practical these would be on your land. For full details click [here](#). To book a place contact Will or Elizabeth on 01223 874580 or email eastanglia@cfeonline.org.uk

Rawcliffe Bridge Trials

BASF Sponsored Cropwise trials site at Rawcliffe Bridge will be hosting the annual trials demonstration on the 27 June. A wide selection of wheat varieties will be demonstrating a combination of innovative fungicide regimes by kind permission of Messrs Hinchliffe.

Lincolnshire CFE Advisers Breakfast Meetings

A number of breakfast meetings are being held throughout June. Get an update on the CFE and how you can help to prevent the return of a Cross Compliance Set Aside whilst eating a wholesome breakfast! For a full listing of dates click [here](#)

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