Pasture Profit Index (PPI) Meeting - Day Plan

- 11.00 – Welcome & Introduction – B Wickham
- 11.20 – DAFM protocol changes and new initiatives - David Cummins
- 11.40 – Pasture Profit Index- Mary McEvoy
- 12.20 – Pasturebase Ireland – Vincent Griffith
- 12.40 – Meeting summary – Brian Wickham
- 12.55 – Introduction to Clonakility experiment - B McCarthy
- 2.00 – Visit Grassland experiment
• DAFM protocol changes and new initiatives - David Cummins
• Pasture Profit Index- Mary McEvoy
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Matters arising and Follow up from last meeting

- Consultation with the Grassland industry – Stakeholder groups (Dairy and Drystock farmers), Advisory (Dairy and Drystock), Research meetings, Trade meetings
- One to one meetings with industry
- Dissemination to the wider industry - Co – Op newsletters, Technical articles
- Prototype List released to the Industry meeting attendees, Today to Grassland farmers
Matters arising and Follow up from last meeting

- All presentations and meeting minutes available on Teagasc/Moorepark webpage (Pasture Profit Index)–
  www.agresearch.teagasc.ie/moorepark/pastureprofitindex

- Recent PPI publications - IGAPA 2014, European Grassland Federation (Aberystwyth, Wales 2014)
Matters arising and Follow up from last meeting

- Research underpinning the development of PPI
  - Clonakilty farm system study (2013)
  - On farm variety comparison within Pasturebase Ireland (2013/4)
  - Variety persistency work - cutting and grazing, development of persistency/wear machine (2014)
  - Effect of sward structure on cow performance and utilisation (2011)
  - Variety Ground score change under grazing (2014)
  - Clover interaction with grass varieties (2013)
Matters arising and Follow up from last meeting

- More information of monocultures versus mixtures
  - On farm comparison studies
  - Grazing plot studies
- Publication of Pocket Reseeding Manual – 15,000 distributed to industry, further 7,500 reprinted for further distribution - guidance for reseeding with Recommended list.