

Stradone Farm, Co. Cavan

This farm has drumlin soils and is located near Stradone in Co. Cavan. The farm was purchased 40 years ago by the parents of current owner. Currently milking 103 cows, there is also a poultry unit on the farm.

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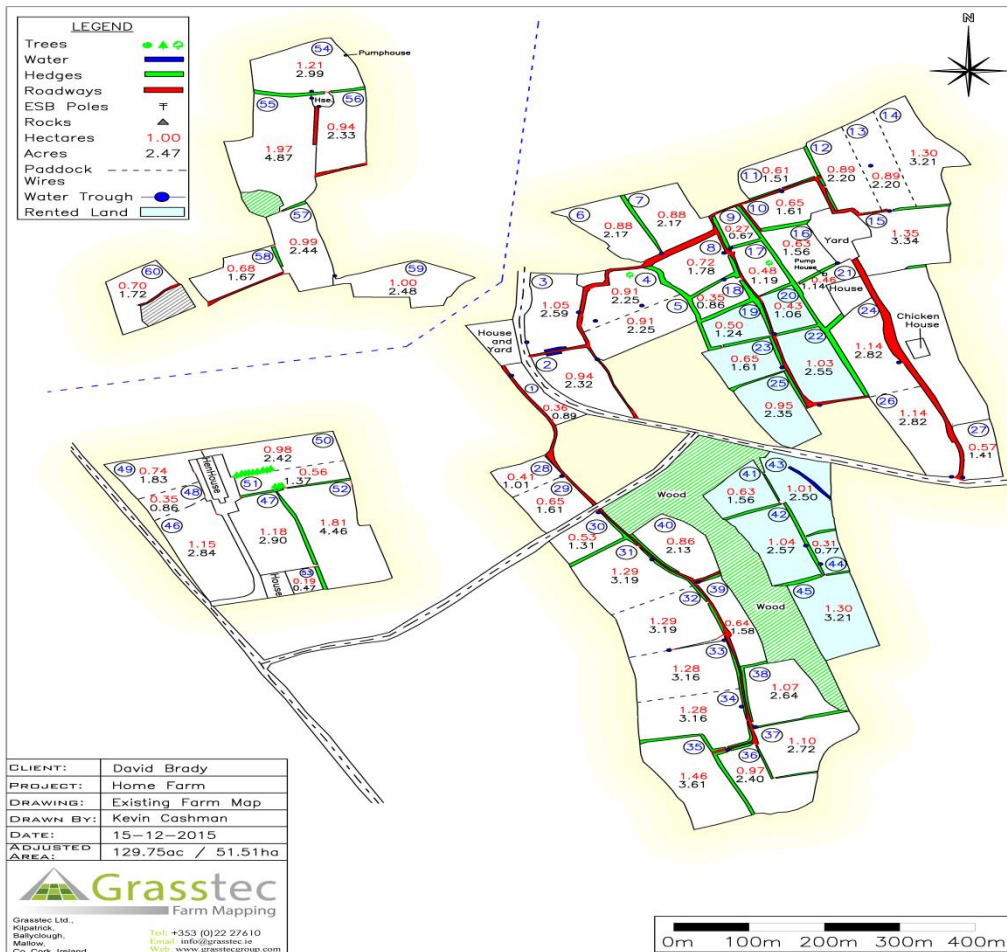


Table 1: Farm Performance

Year	Herd Size	Stock rate	Area MP	EBI	EBI	6 week
		MP	Ha	Total	Fertility	Calving %
2014	63	2.3	32	104	45	45
2015	81	2.5	32	112	48	24
2016	82	2.1	39	47	5	58
2017	81	2.08	39	65	17	74
2018	92	2.36	39	95	28	83
2019	103	2.64	39	117	40	81

Table 1 show that from 2014 to 2019 herd size has grown from 104 to 117, strong emphasis on EBI and fertility is reflected in six week calving percentage (EBI base change for 2016).

Table 2. Dairy Outputs

Year	Milk Solids/ha	Gross Output	Gross Output	Total Costs	Total Costs	Net Margin	Net Margin
	Kg	€/Ha	c/litre	€/Ha	c/litre	€/Ha	c/litre
2014	911	3120	39.6	1770	24.9	1350	14.8
2015	1047	3184	32	2115	23.4	1069	8.6
2016	881	2941	25.8	2002	23.9	307	1.8
2017	970	4099	37.26	2190	19.93	1907	17.33
2018	1166	4715	36.8	2977	23.23	1739	13.57
2019	1206	4498	35.79	2761	21.97	1737	13.82

Table 3: Grass production Tonnes Dry Matter/Ha

Year	StartGrazing	End Grazing	Total Grown (T)
2015			7.3
2016			10
2017	12th Feb	9th Nov	9.8
2018	22nd Feb	7th Nov	11.6
2019	15th Feb	6th Nov	13.6

