



In this webinar Tom O'Dwyer presents the progress of the Signpost farmers in Year 1 of the programme. 2021 is the baseline year for the programme and the results set out the environmental metrics for these farms including total emissions, emissions footprint, ammonia emissions as well as nitrogen use efficiency and phosphorus use efficiency.

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### Shay Ryan

The Irish farming landscape is defined by a range of biodiversity features. Best practice in the management of these features is an integral part of sustainable farming. Farmers like Shay Ryan, Teagasc-Tirlán Signpost Future Farmer, play a crucial role in protecting farmland biodiversity. Through the Biodiveristy Brochure he co-developed Shay highlights the space for nature on his farm and the actions he takes to enhance farmland biodiversity.

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### Newford Farm

Newford suckler -to-beef demonstration farm is 68 ha situated in 4 blocks close to Athenry Co Galway. The farm was established by Teagasc and Dawn Meats with the support of the Irish Farmers Journal and McDonalds in 2015. The Newford herd consists of 95 dairy cross Aberdeen Angus and Hereford cows, stocked at 2.42 Lu/ha Newford Farm's aim is to generate a high profit from a grass-based suckler-to-steer and heifer-beef production system using 100% 5 star terminal AI sires calving from the beginning of February.

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### Tom Tierney

Tom farms on heavy soils and grows a combination of winter and spring cereals with spring beans and winter oilseed rape. Tom describes the ease with the harvest in 2022 due to exceptional weather conditions but the take-all and BYDV were very prevalent in early drill crops due to the good sowing conditions in 2021 and the kindness in which crops were established during autumn 2021. Tom has monitored crops intensively for foliar diseases and eliminated fungicides at key timings.

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## Climate Actions for November

Each month, we present climate actions that farmers can take to reduce gaseous emissions. These actions will be practical and timely. See below climate actions for the month of November.

[Read the full Climate Actions for November here](#)

## Soil Carbon Sequestration



Soil carbon sequestration is an important mechanism that removes carbon dioxide from the air and storing it in the soil, improving a number of aspects of soil health.

[Read article in full here](#)

## Increasing Farm Biodiversity



One of the objectives of the Signpost programme is to achieve 10% biodiversity on all the farms. In this clip, Signpost Dairy Farmer, Tim Leader, and Teagasc colleagues explain how to manage a new hedge to help meet this target.

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## Steps to Reducing Emissions on Your Farm



In this video Siobhan Kavanagh, Communication & Engagement Specialist to the Signpost Programme, outlines the first steps to reducing emissions on your farm

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## Why Farmers are Engaging with Climate Action



In this video we meet some of the Signpost Programme farmers who are actively engaging with Climate Action. Francis & Bernie Gonley, sheep farmers from Sligo, Michael McGuigan, suckler beef farmer from Meath, Dermot Walsh, dairy farmer from Cork, Peter O'Hanrahan, dairy calf to beef farmer from Kilkenny, Matty Moore, pig and tillage farmer from Offaly and Kay O'Sullivan, forestry and organic beef farmer from Cork.

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## Signpost Sustainability Week



Rosarie O'Connor, Munster Bovine talks to a group on Signpost dairy farmer Conor O'Briens farm in



Signpost Climate Action launched during Signpost Sustainability Week



Galway on the 18th of October  
during Sustainability Week



Thomas Ryan Michael Hassett Tirlan, Aoife Leader Sandra Hayes Teagasc , Host Signpost dairy farmer Steven Fitzgerald and his wife Catriona, Stevens mum and dad Noirin and Richie and Richard O'Brien regional manager of KK/WD with Eanna Loughrey Teagasc, picture taken during Sustainability Week.



During this webinar which took place on Friday the 14th of October, as part of Sustainability Week, Mark Gibson discusses with Seamus Kearney, Signpost Training & Development Specialist and Deirdre Hennessy, Researcher Moorepark the steps to reducing chemical nitrogen use on farm.

## Lidl Ireland Climate Supplier of the Year - 2022



**(from left to right: Dermot Herlihy, Rachel Johnson and Rebecca Tierney - Teagasc Poultry Adviser to Belview Eggs)**

Lidl Ireland recognise Belview Eggs for establishing a carbon footprint for Free Range egg production in Ireland and Ireland's first poultry farmer to be part of the Teagasc Signpost Programme. Belview Egg Farm are Teagasc's poultry Signpost Farm with Rebecca Tierney as their poultry adviser. The company was established in 1978 by Dermot & Nicola Herlihy with a mere 5,000 hens and has since grown to Ireland's fourth largest egg packing centre and the largest egg packer and producer in Leinster. The company is currently run by Dermot Herlihy and Rachel Johnson. Belview supply eggs to Lidl, Musgraves, Iceland, Applegreen, BWG, Glanbia and Tesco. The packing centre employs 30 staff and additional 10 staff on their two poultry sites.

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### The Environment Edge Podcast



Derogation farming – are you aware of the current situation in Ireland? And what does the future holds for farmers with higher stocking rate? Teagasc Environmental Specialist, Tim Hyde, joins Deirdre and Cathal on the latest Environment Edge podcast to discuss just that.

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