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| **TITLE** | **Sustainable Farming Scheme (SFS) – Proposed Scheme Outline (2024)** |
| **DATE** | **14 November 2024** |
| **BY** | **Huw Irranca-Davies, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs** |

Since the *Sustainable Farming Scheme: Keeping farmers farming* consultation closed in March this year, I have been listening to feedback and working with stakeholders on the Ministerial Roundtable and supporting groups, including the farming unions and representatives of the Wales Environment Link, on the Sustainable Farming Scheme (SFS).

This positive collaboration with stakeholders has made excellent progress towards developing a Scheme which provides appropriate and accessible support for farmers in Wales to produce quality, sustainable food along with other benefits aligned to the Sustainable Land Management objectives.

I intend to issue a Written Statement to Senedd Members on Monday the 25 of November, accompanying a revised Scheme Outline, when I will be celebrating the quality of Welsh farming and produce in person at the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society Winter Fair, Builth Wells.

This will be followed by an oral update to Senedd Members in Plenary on Tuesday 26 November on the revised Scheme Outline.