

Week Beginning 26th July 2021



01-Mar 01-Apr 01-May 01-Jun 01-Jul 01-Aug 01-Sep 01-Oct 01-Nov

MANAGEMENT NOTES:

- Grass growth continues to be restricted by lack of rainfall. There is some rain forecast over the next few days. However, grass growth forecasting models are currently predicting growth to remain significantly below the 10 year average for the next two weeks.
- Try to maintain average farm cover above 2100 kg DM/ha. Continue to reduce demand to match growth through supplementation or introducing an additional area to the grazing platform.
- Topping or pre-mowing should be avoided at present as it will only delay regrowth. Spreading fertiliser should also be delayed until more favourable conditions are forecast.







Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
Dairy – maintenance plus (M+) (kg/cow/day)*	18.1	DM (%)	21.9
Growing animals – daily live weight gain (kg/head/day)**	1.01	CP (% DM)	16.3
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, and 15 kg DMI. Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg milk		WSC (% DM)	14.7
**Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, and 6.6 kg DMI. Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain		ME (MJ/kg DM)	11.4

