





## Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025

## Grass Growth – AFBI Hillsborough and CAFRE Greenmount Plots



## **MANAGEMENT NOTES:**

- Previous week on farm grass growth exceeded L.T average, but forecast is predicted to decrease closer to L.T average.
- Autumn calving herds will be beginning to dry off a proportion of the herd. Review demand on any grass measurement software to account for the reduction in grazing animals.
- Assess and identify paddocks to allow improvements over the month.
  Compare all paddock growth to date this year and previous years and earmark underperforming paddocks/areas of the farm which require improvement.
  Also identify potential issues which need infrastructure improvement, such as drainage, drinker locations, paddock entrance widths and locations etc.

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Value of Grass		Grass Quality	
Dairy — maintenance plus (M+) (kg/cow/day)*	17.3	DM (%)	16.1
Growing animals — live weight gain (kg/head/day)**	0.96	ME (MJ/kg DM)	11.1
*M+ calculated assuming: 650kg cow, and 15 kg DMI. Maintenance=75 MJ/day, 5.3 MJ/kg milk **Beef daily gain assuming: 300 kg beef steer, and 6.6 kg DMI. Maintenance=35 MJ/day, 40 MJ/kg gain		CP (% DM)	16.8
		WSC (% DM)	12.1