## <u>A week to go — have your say on post-</u> <u>Brexit farming support in Wales</u>

The UK will leave the common Agricultural Policy next year and the Brexit and our Land consultation, launched in July, proposes a new Land Management Programme in Wales to support farmers post-Brexit.

The new Land Management Programme consists of two large, flexible schemes — the Economic Resilience Scheme and the Public Goods Scheme. Farmers will be able to participate in both schemes.

The consultation is open until 30 October.

Cabinet Secretary said:

"There is now a week to go until our consultation 'Brexit and our Land' closes — one of the most important consultations for the farming sector in generations.

"That is why I launched the consultation ahead of the Royal Welsh Show and made it the longest consultation I've held so we could have a genuine debate on our proposals.

"Brexit brings with it unprecedented challenges and means we will have to do things in a different way. We have always been clear maintaining the status quo is not an option and the UK will leave the Common Agricultural Policy next year. So we need to design the best system for farm support in Wales and that is what we are currently consulting on.

"Our proposals aim to keep farmers farming. However, the proposals are just that — proposals. All consultation responses will be carefully considered and we will consult further in the Spring.

"My message to farmers and anyone with an interest in land management is simple — there has never been such an important time to get involved and help us shape the future of farming in Wales. Have your say by 30 October."