

Official Statistics: Forestry Commission England: Headline Performance Indicators at 30 September 2017

The document will present Forestry Commission England's six headline indicators: number of high priority forest pests in the UK Plant Health Risk Register, percentage of known tree felling that is carried out with Forestry Commission approval, percentage of woodland in active management, area of woodland, cost of managing the Public Forest Estate and number of private sector businesses operating on the Public Forest Estate.

Policy paper: Badger Edge Vaccination Scheme 2 (BEVS 2)

Updated: Updated to make it clear that this content is still valid, although we'll be updating some details (like dates) in due course. This is because expressions for interest have been requested today (13 September 2018).

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The Badger Edge Vaccination Scheme (BEVS 2) provides funding towards the cost of vaccinating badgers in the Edge Area of England.

These documents set out the details of BEVS 2, and the policy background:

- the 'scheme outline', setting out the criteria that applicants need to meet to secure grant funding
- the 'how to run a scheme to vaccinate badgers' document outlining practical aspects of a badger vaccination project

You should also read the '[Licence and training guidance](#)' setting out license and training requirements for vaccinators.

Weighing up beef benefits

An interactive beef demonstration at AgriScot this month is set to highlight the herd management and profitability benefits of regularly weighing cattle.

Time running out for funding vote

The clock is ticking for people to cast their votes for an innovative community project at Scotland's Rural College.

New research using hydrogen aims to take the carbon out of heating

The British Geological Survey (BGS) will lead the recently funded ELEGANCY research project that will support the decarbonisation of heating using novel hydrogen-based technology. This project is one of five supported by the UK Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) with co-funding from the EU.