



04 April 2023  
Our ref: RFI 6545

Dear [REDACTED],

### Environmental Information Regulations – Information Request

We refer to your request for information dated 16 March, which we have dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

You have stated:

*'I am trying to find out how many FETF-style grants have been issued for the purpose of purchasing stock handling systems (e.g., mobile sheep handling systems) over the last five years. Could you point me in the right direction to find this information please?'*

Please find the information you have requested below:

Within the last five years, there have been three rounds of the Countryside Productivity Small Grant Scheme (2018-2020) and one round of the Farming Equipment Technology Fund (2022) in which applicants could apply for funding for purchasing stock handling systems, in an "FETF-style" scheme.

The number of grants paid for each of these items is as follows:

Item	Paid claims*				
	CP Small 2018 - Round 1	CP Small 2019 - Round 2	CP Small 2020 - Round 3	FETF-Round 1	Grand Total
(SG1) / (FETF56) - Mobile Cattle Handling Systems	190	173	153	68	584
(SG2) / (FETF57) - Fixed Cattle Handling Systems	302	275	219	98	894

(SG27) / (FETF69) - Mobile Sheep Handling Systems	420	492	618	435	1,965
(SG28) / (FETF70) - Fixed Sheep Handling Systems	124	134	97	58	413
(SG31) / (FETF76) - Fixed Handling System for Pigs	9	3	1	0	13

**\*as of 27 March 2023**

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Yours sincerely

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