

# **Assessing Farm Sustainability**

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***The FAST (PG) Tool***

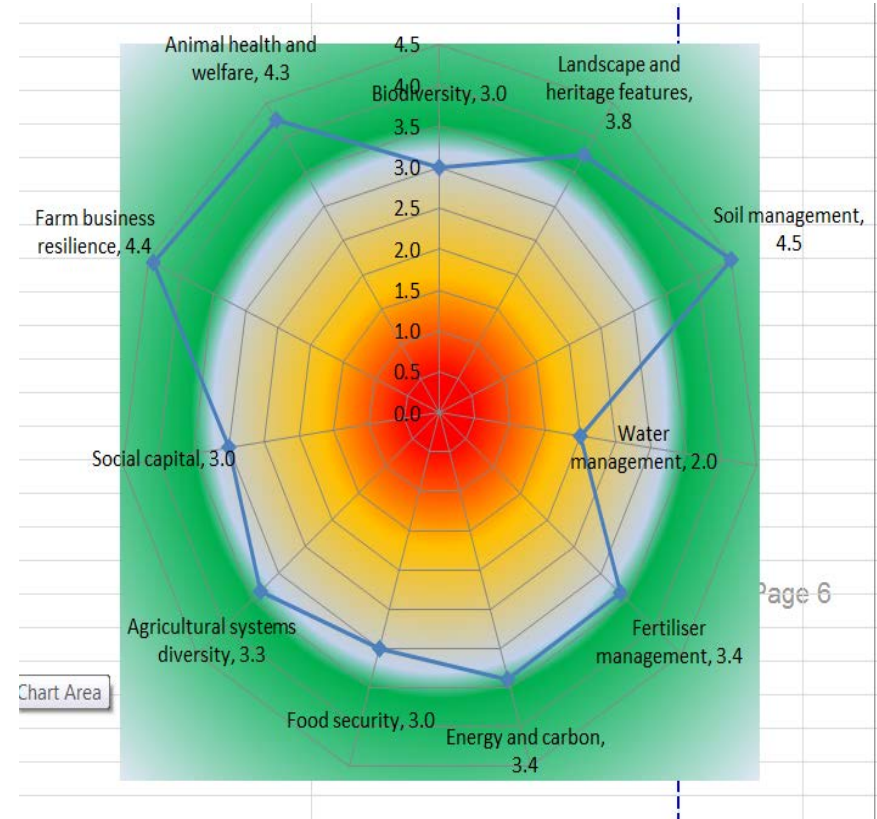
***Making Changes to the Farm***



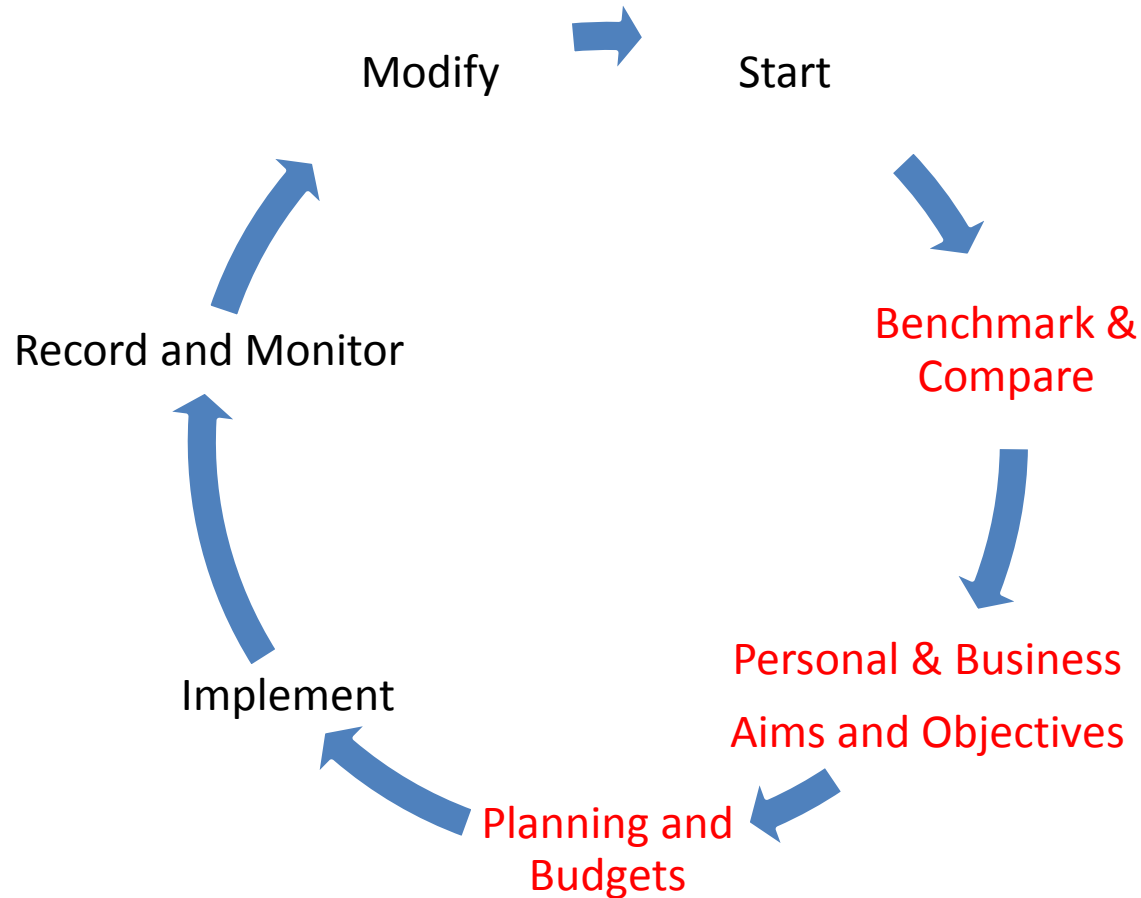
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Help farmers build robust business that are

- Productive
- Profitable
- People focused
- Environmentally responsible



# *The Business (Change) Cycle*



# Setting Business Aims

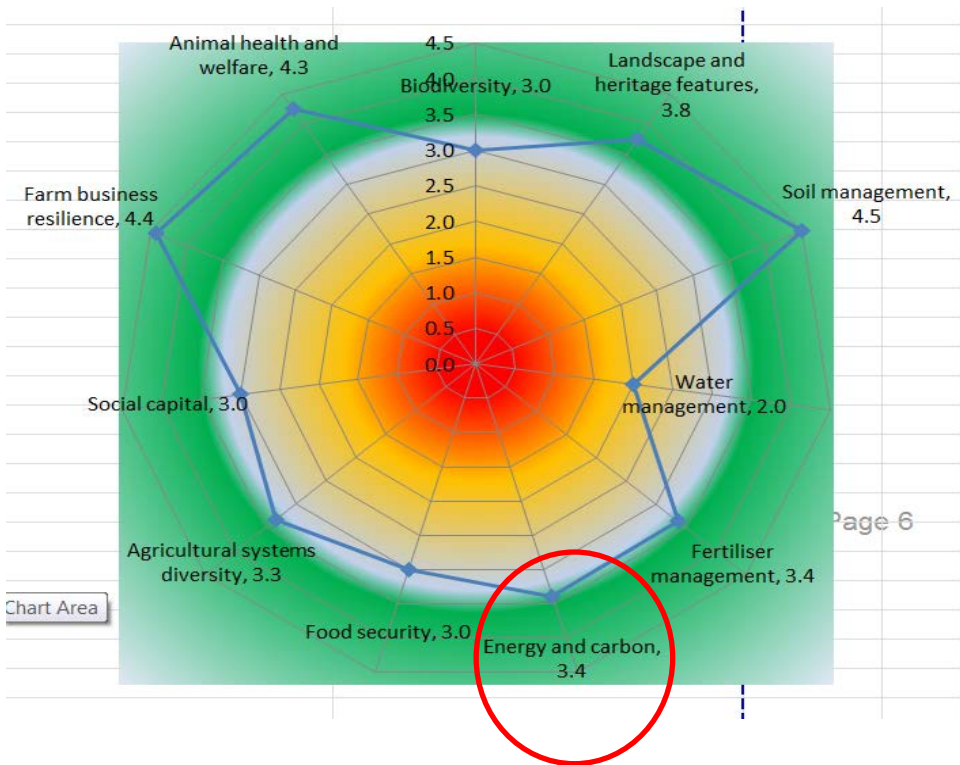
Robust Businesses -do not need to be complex

**“Simplicity is a great virtue but it requires hard work to achieve it and education to appreciate it and to make matters worse complexity sells better” Edsger W Dijkstra**

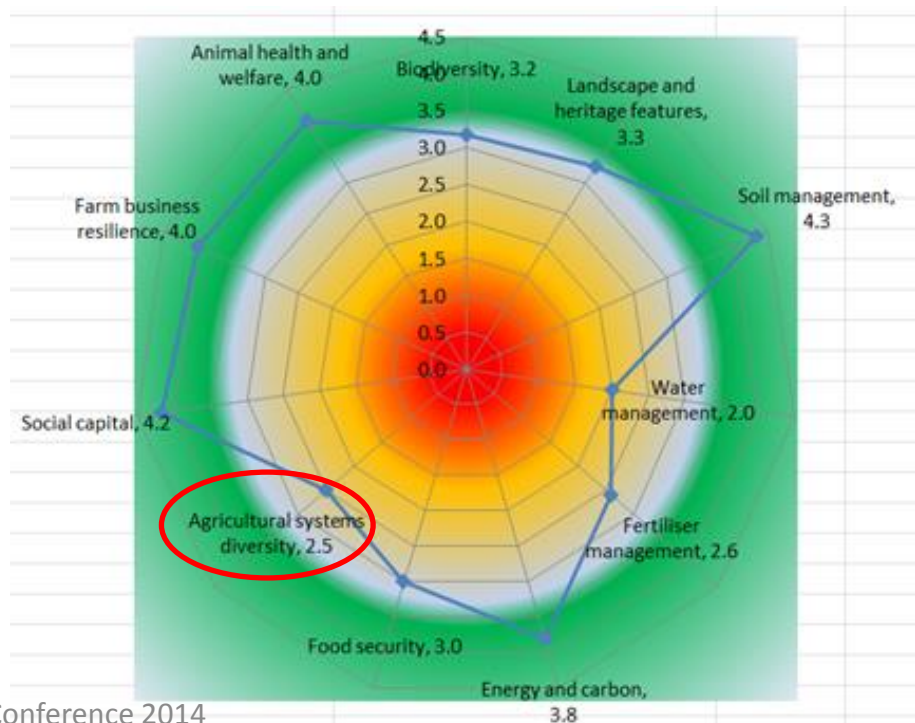


# PG Tool enables Benchmarking and Identification of Strengths and Weaknesses

## Organic Farm 1



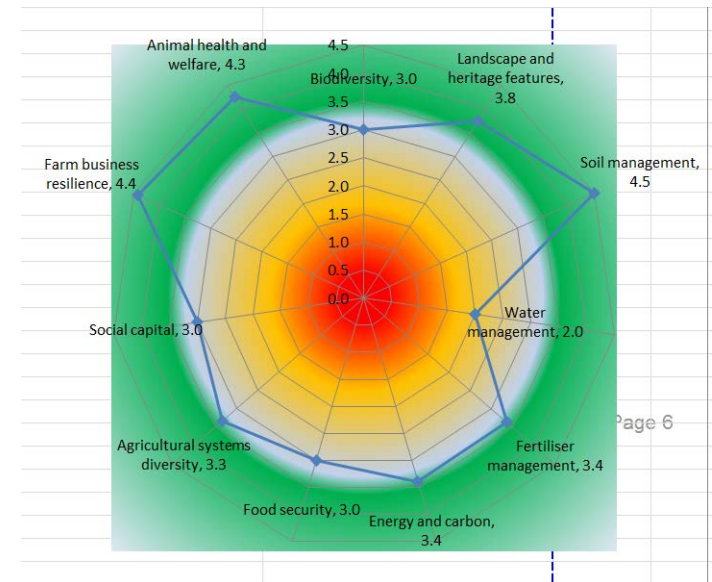
## Organic Farm 2



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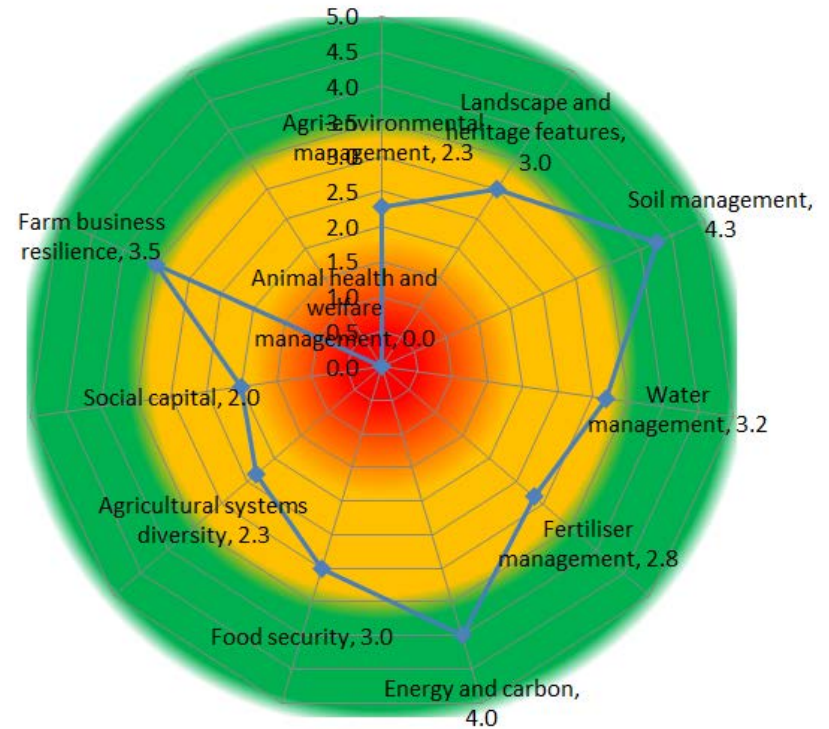
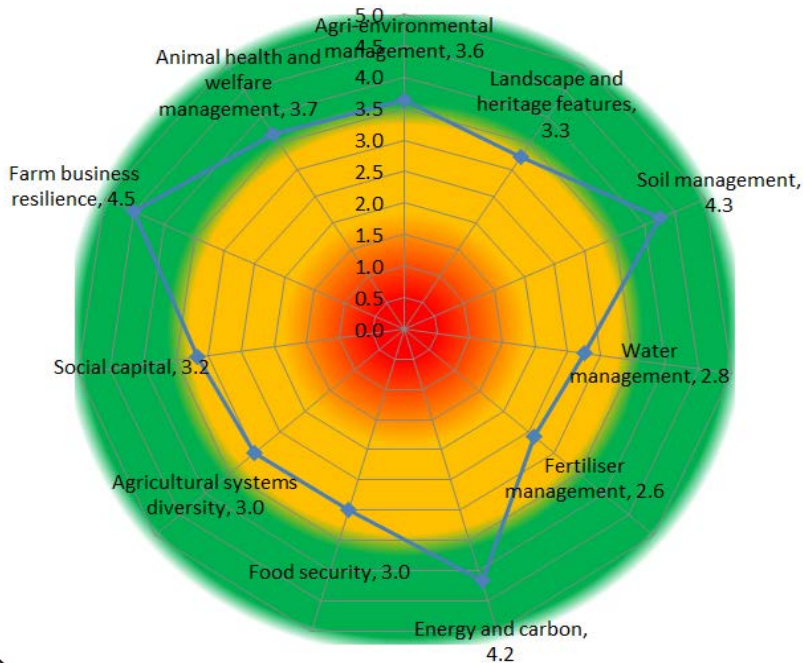
## Spurs and Activities

- Soil Management
- Landscape and Heritage
- Agri-environmental Management
- Water Management
- Fertiliser Management and Nutrients
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- Fertiliser Management and Nutrients
- Energy and Carbon
- Food Security
- Agricultural Systems Diversity
- Social Capital
- Farm Business Resilience
- Animal Health and Welfare Management



# Conventional Farms

## Conventional Mixed Farm



## Conventional Arable Farm



# Identifying Weaknesses

