

**Farm Woodland Forum
2022 Annual Meeting**
16-17 June
Bangor University, North Wales



“Are we finally rolling the agroforestry log over the crest of the hill...”

Thursday 16th June Venue: Hen Goleg Conference Suite, Bangor University, LL57 2DG

11.00: Arrival. Registration with tea and coffee

11.30: Welcome and introductions

The sessions will all take the format of two short presentations followed by a panel discussion

11.45 - 13.00 Session 1: Sensors and technology in agroforestry research

Modern technology is helping us to deliver the Government’s tree and woodland expansion agenda. Sensors and digital solutions will help inform the introduction of agroforestry into the farmed environment and will be an essential part of the broader delivery of public goods from agroforestry. This session will include a discussion of sensors, Lidar and remote sensing technologies for monitoring and understanding agroforestry systems and also digital Farmer Decision Support Tools.

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch and posters

14.00 - 15.15 Session 2: Policy and other mechanisms to increase uptake of agroforestry

In light of the UK and regional Government’s ambitious tree and woodland expansion targets this session will explore the latest policy developments in agroforestry and the role that agroforestry can play in increasing tree and woodland cover on farmland. Plus other mechanisms to increase uptake.

15.15 - 15.30 Break

15.30 - 17.00 Session 3: Agroforestry in practice

Reflections on the future of agroforestry from a farmers perspective - how to make it work for farmers, we will hear from farmers at different points on their agroforestry journey. What are the opportunities and issues in getting agroforestry onto the agenda for farmers, foresters and land managers?

19.00 Dinner and 2022 Farm Woodland Forum AGM

Friday 17th June

Field Trips to Farming Connect demonstration farms

9.00 Coaches leave Bangor (option to take own car)

10.00 - 12.00 Hendre Llwyn y Maen Farm LL22 8TE

Hendre Llwyn y Maen is a farm in the Elwy valley which recently moved over to a New Zealand style dairy system. The farm has a long history of tree planting and benefits from an extensive shelter belt system

Back through Bangor

13.30 - 16.00 Henbant Farm LL54 5DF (option to leave from here or return to Bangor)

Henbant (<https://www.henbant.org/>) is a small, ecological based farm in North West Wales. Current pasture is managed holistically but within larger field parcels than the daily livestock requirements. The grazed pasture is divided into 30 separate units by tree-lanes, some of woody highly palatable species for cattle to browse and some with top and soft fruit. The farm is also in the process of setting up a no-dig, ecologically intensive market garden; here the garden will be divided up with a significant amount of fruit trees and perennial plants. This will combine forest gardening techniques and theories with the requirements of highly productive annual vegetable production.

16.30 Coach returns to Bangor

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