



Re; CAP Strategic Plan post 2020

Everyone is concerned about the Environment, Global Warming, and Pollution yet Agriculture in Ireland cannot accept that modern farming is the main contributor to the destruction of the environment, more and more Fertilisers, Slurry. & Weed killers are been spread every year, our land is dying fast no Worms in the ground, Bees and Wild life cannot survive.

The Rural Environment Protection Scheme should be reintroduced.

I am an Organic farmer for almost 10 years my land has recovered and my animals require Zero veterinary treatments, There are Thousands of farmers who would change over to Organic farming given the opportunity, EU Commission recommend each Member State have 4% Organic Agriculture. Ireland is far short at 1.3 %.

My Herd is mainly Rare Breed Dexter cattle, Grass fed, finished without concentrates, suitable for Marginal land. Low Emissions.

Premium product which can return a much higher per kg price to the producer.

Animal welfare. Good disease resistance, Easy calvers, Good converters to low quality forage Marginal Land.

Expansion of the Breed needed to create year round supply of much in demand Beef.

Rare Breeds:

1. Receive BORD BIA fund to help in the marketing of Rare Breed Beef.
2. Inclusion of Rare Breeds in trials for Methane emissions in Grange.
3. Financial support to promote Rare Breeds.

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