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## Are You Ready For Your Maize Harvest?

As I write this, I'm already hearing of the first crops of maize having been harvested, and if you haven't yet harvested your maize are you ready with everything you need for when the contractor arrives to harvest?

Despite the cold, then wet, spring which meant a later drilling period than normal, the conditions since for growing have been very favourable and so some high yielding crops are expected this autumn. [Read more](#)



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## Customers Are Not Just External

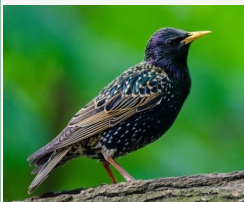
One of the key elements of Lean management is understanding that you have internal customers as well as external customers. It is equally important to understand what your internal customers requirements are, as it is to know your external customer needs. [Read more](#)

## DBL Grass Trials Farm Walk

Thanks to one of our Buying Group members, DBL held a farm walk at the beginning of September.

The farm walk was an invitation to the Group members to see the results of the first year of a trial that we have been doing, in conjunction with our seeds supplier Horizon Seeds, on the member's farm after challenging us last year to see what would work best for the situation on farm. [Read more](#)

## Do you have problems with Starlings?



To many people, Starlings represent a significant problem when it comes to their feed. Starlings can cause major economic loss in livestock systems around the UK. Starlings feed selectively on maize grains, thereby reducing both the feed value of the ration and consequent milk output. There is also strong evidence that European starlings harbour E.coli, Salmonella and Campylobacter and can spread pathogens between farms. [Read more](#)



**DBL will be joining FCG Sherborne at The Dairy Show and invite you to join us for refreshments, we will be located in the Showering Pavilion.**



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THE DAIRY SHOW

Wednesday 6th October

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our stand  
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day of free  
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## Red Tractor Updates

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August Red Tractor released their new standards to be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021. Here's a quick overview of what has changed for Dairy (D), Beef & Lamb (B&L) standards.

[Read more](#)



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