

Fact Sheet 1



Stewart Tower: focusing on climate change

Climate Change

Like everyone in Scotland, farmers need to reduce their carbon footprint to help tackle climate change.

Stewart Tower is one of four **Climate Change Focus Farms** in Scotland. We are working with SAC (the Scottish Agricultural College) as part of the Scottish Government's **Farming for a Better Climate** initiative.

What role can farming play in helping Scotland to reduce its emissions?

Scotland has set targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all types of farming. It is estimated that around 20% of greenhouse gas emissions in Scotland are linked to farming. Many of these gases are produced from natural processes, so they are difficult to measure and reduce. One way farming could reduce or "offset" the emissions is to take carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere and lock it up in soils or growing crops and trees.



Want to find out more?


Visit www.farmingforabetterclimate.org

Fancy working out your own carbon footprint?

You can find out how to save yourself money and reduce your own carbon footprint by going to <http://carboncalculator.direct.gov.uk/index.html>

Get in touch

We would love to know what you think. You can email the Farming for a Better Climate initiative at climatechange@sac.co.uk

 Did you know?

by 2020 Scotland has to reduce its emissions by 42%. By 2050 emissions must be down by 80% (compared with levels in 1990). That means we all have to do our bit.