

# Gilestone Farm IACS7A

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<p>Mae'r tabl isod yn rhoi manylion tiri (rhifau a maint casau) yn ogyddol ag eglurhad am unrhyw wahaniaethau a ddarganfyddwyd yn ystod yr archwiliad fferm diweddar.</p> <p>The table below provides details of the land (field numbers and areas), together with an explanation of any differences, as found during the recent farm inspection.</p> <p>OS - Arolog Ordnans / Ordnance Survey                  NG - Grid Cenedlaethol / National Grid                  ha - hectar / hectare</p> <p>Mae'r rhesi wedi'u lliwio yn dangos bod y parseli wedi'u newid</p> <p>The shaded rows indicate changed parcels</p> <p>Marc Diogelwch SWYDDOGOL - SENSITIF / Security Marking OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE</p>												<p><b>Dulliau Mesur - Measurement methods</b>                  Luniau o'r Awyr - AP - Aerial Photo                  GPS - GPS - GPS                  OsMstMap - MM - OsMstMap                  Mark-up - MU - Mark-up                  Aral - O - Other                  Synhwydd o Bell - RS - Remote sensing                  Asesiad technegol - TA - Technical Assessment                  Tap - T - Tape                  Owyn - W - Wheel</p>		<p><b>Dull Rheoli - Control Method</b>                  Synhwydd o bell - RS - Remote sensing                  Archwiliad Corfforol - INSP - Physical Inspection</p>	
Manylion Datganiad Declared Details												Manylion yn Dilyn Archwiliad Fferm Details Following Farm Inspection			
Tafren map Rhif Cae	Datganiad anynebedd	Datgariad Cnwd	Defnydd Tiri	Rhify map	Tafren map Rhif Cae	ALLFF	Maint y cae	Anynebedd ddarganfyddwyd	Cnwd ddarganfyddwyd	Defnydd Tiri	Sylweddau	Dulliau Mesur (Gweler yr Ailwedd Uchod)	Rheol 10 Mis	di-adyddiad	Dull Rheoli (Gweler yr Ailwedd uchod)
Map Sheet Field No OS NG	Declared Area ha	Crop Declared	Land Use	Map Number	Map Sheet Field No. OS NG	LFA	Total Field Size ha	Found Area ha	Crop Found	Land Use	Comments	Measurement Methods (See Key above)	10 Month Rule	Retrospection	Control Method (See Key above)
SO1024 9156	0.13	WS1	O	Map 2 of 3	SO1024 9156	1D	0.13		WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland				INSP
SO1123 0379	4.07	GR1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 0379	1D	4.07		GR1	F	GRASS (TEMPORARY UNDER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1123 1363	0.95	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 1363	1D	0.95		GR2	F	GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1123 1795	0.98	GT1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 1795	1D	0.98	0.85	GT1	F	Track added and entrance to cottages. TRACKS (Ungrazed). ROADS.	MU	0	2 years for track 2 years for road	INSP
SO1123 2089	2.32	GR1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2089	1D	2.32	2.32	GR1	F	GRASS (TEMPORARY UNDER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1123 2245	1.99	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2245	1D	1.93	1.93	GR2	F	Boundary amended. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 3678	2.00	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 3678	1D	1.93	1.93	GR2	F	GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 4089	0.20	WS1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 4089	1D	0.29	0.29	WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 4671	0.27	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 4671	1D	2.26	2.26	GR2	F	Boundary amended. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 4852	3.94	ZZ89	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 4852	1D	4.06	4.06	ZZ89	O	Boundaries amended. BUILDINGS/YARDS	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 5281	0.39	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 5281	1D	0.26	0.26	GR2	F	Boundary amended. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 6177	0.98	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 5583	1D	0.13	0.13	SC3	F	New parcel split from 6177. Streamside corridor.	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
				Map 1 of 3	SO1123 5675	1D	0.15	0.15	ZZ97	O	Prev of yard area. TRACKS (Ungrazed).	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
				Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6177	1D	0.86	0.86	GR2	F	Boundary amended. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
				Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6574	1D	0.06	0.06	SC3	F	New parcel split from 6177. Streamside corridor.	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 6865	2.09	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6658	1D	0.44	0.44	GR2	F	New parcel split from 6865. Grass	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
	0.17	ZZ30	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6461	1D	0.42	0.25	SC3	F	New parcel split from 6865. Streamside corridor & pond	MU	0	2 years for boundary	INSP
	0.14	Y23	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6866	1D	1.77	1.74	GR2	F	New parcel split from 6865. Grass	MU	0	2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 7953	2.72	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 7953	1D	2.67	2.67	GR2	F	Boundary amended. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU		2 years for boundary	INSP
SO1123 2480	0.64	WS1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2480	1D	0.64	0.64	WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland				INSP
SO1123 2567	5.35	GR1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2567	1D	4.99	4.99	GR1	F	GRASS (TEMPORARY UNDER 5 YEARS)	MU			INSP
	0.10	ZZ30	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 3862	1D	0.48	0.33	GR2	F	New fenced off area - split from parcel 2567. GRASS				INSP
	0.02	Y16	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2852	1D	0.87	0.87	ZZ30	O	PONDS-NEGLECTABLE	MU	0	2 Year(s) For pond	INSP
SO1123 2852	0.87	WS1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2852	1D	0.87	0.87	WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland				INSP
SO1123 3043	0.54	WS1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 3043	1D	0.84	0.54	WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland				INSP
	0.30	ZZ30	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 3043	1D	0.30	0.30	ZZ30	O			0		INSP
SO1123 3133	0.68	GR9	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 3133	1D	0.72	0.72	NO1	O	Glamping pods. NON-AG ACTIVITIES.	MU			INSP
	0.02	Y23	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 2297	1D	0.02	0.02	ZZ97	O					INSP
SO1123 4432	3.96	WS1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 4432	1D	3.96	3.96	WS1	O	Stock excluded woodland				INSP
SO1123 5571	0.65	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 5571	1D	0.65	0.65	GR2	F	GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1123 5737	0.26	NO1	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 5737	1D	0.26	0.26	NO1	O	Yard area - wood enterprise	MU			INSP
SO1123 6055	0.64	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6055	1D	0.64	0.57	GR2	F	GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)	MU	0	2 years for trees	INSP
				Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6055	1D	0.07	0.07	ZZ11	O	BROADLEAF WOODLAND-GROUP.				INSP
SO1123 6636	4.15	WT1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6636	1D	4.53	4.15	WT1	F	WHEAT-WINTER SOWN.	MU			INSP
	0.33	MP1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6636	1D	0.33	0.33	MP1	F	HORTICULTURE MIXED PRODUCTION.		0		INSP
	0.05	ZZ97	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6636	1D	0.05	0.05	ZZ97	O			0		INSP
SO1123 6649	1.36	GR2	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 6649	1D	1.36	1.36	GR2	F	GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1123 7873	12.32	BA5	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 7873	1D	12.33	12.33	BA5	F	BARLEY-SPRING SOWN.	MU			INSP
	0.01	Y23	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 7873	1D	0.01	0.01	Y23	O					INSP
SO1123 8739	4.19	OA4	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 8739	1D	4.19	4.19	OA4	F	OATS-WINTER SOWN.				INSP
SO1123 9679	0.40	ZZ31	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1123 9679	1D	0.40	0.40	ZZ31	O					INSP
SO1124 1107	4.30	WT1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 1107	1D	4.30	4.30	WT1	F	WHEAT-WINTER SOWN				INSP
SO1124 1847	15.81	BA5	F	Map 2 of 3	SO1124 1847	1D	15.73	15.57	BA5	F	Area of GR2 Glasstr Buffer. BARLEY-SPRING SOWN. GRASS (PERMANENT OVER 5 YEARS).	MU	0	2 years for boundary	INSP
	0.03	ZZ30	O	Map 2 of 3	SO1124 1847	1D	0.03	0.03	ZZ30	O			0	2 years for buffer	INSP
SO1124 3004	4.27	GR1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 3004	1D	4.27	4.27	GR1	F	GRASS (TEMPORARY UNDER 5 YEARS)				INSP
SO1124 3024	3.38	BA5	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 3024	1D	3.38	3.38	BA5	F	BARLEY-SPRING SOWN.				INSP
SO1124 5302	7.22	WT1	F	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 5302	1D	7.22	7.22	WT1	F	WHEAT-WINTER SOWN.				INSP
SO1124 6515	0.28	ZZ31	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 6515	1D	0.40	0.40	ZZ31	O	RIVERS/STREAMS.	MU			INSP
	0.12	ZZ11	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 6515	1D	0.12	0.12	ZZ11	O					INSP
SO1124 7804	0.19	Y23	O	Map 1 of 3	SO1124 7804	1D	0.19	0.19	ZZ22	O	SCRUB/GORSE/BRIAR-GROUP.	MU			INSP

## **Email 8 November 2024**

**From:** WG Official 1

**Sent:** 08 November 2024 12:15

**To:** WG Official 2; WG Official 3;

**Cc:** WG Official 4; WG Official 5; WG Official 6

Afternoon both,

Welsh Government own Gilestone farm which has been tenanted out, without seeing the tenancy agreement and any special conditions attached I can only assume the farm is rented on a commercial basis.

The inspection in 2022 was to assess a Glastir contract, however any breaches of cross compliance rules would have been recorded and the appropriate penalties applied if found at the time of the inspection. Please see attached table regarding the issues raised.

<b>Point raised</b>	<b>Cross compliance restriction</b>	<b>Farm specific comment</b>
Ploughing to the edge of the River Usk.	Cross compliance restricts ploughing within the first 1m from the bank	There is a line of trees/shrubs along the riverbank. Therefore unlikely there could be a breach of this requirement based on the tree coverage. There was no reported breach at the time of inspection.  The boundaries of cultivated fields away from the river appear to show generous buffer strips.
Flailing of the hedgerows,	Not an illegal or poor management activity if done right. Cross compliance restricts such activity from 1 March to 1 Sept (for the majority of bird nestings).	Inspection carried out in June there were no reports of such activity being carried out on this farm.
Removal of trees/no replanting plan,	Felling licence required for the removal of more than 5 cu.m/calendar quarter.  Hedgerows and traditional landscape features are also not to be removed.	No obvious loss of trees from the aerial imagery over the past 10 years.  No signs of hedgerow removal, some new hedges established.

<p>Extensive use of pesticide, herbicides,</p>	<p>Right product needs to be used for the purpose it is licenced for and used within the guidelines of the product label.</p>	<p>Without knowing what products are used it is impossible for anyone to tell this by looking at a field.</p>
<p>Extensive use of slurry and inorganic fertilisers</p>	<p>Timing of applications and total Nitrogen production are limited through Cross compliance.</p>	<p>Suckler bred cattle and some sheep registered on farm. Stocking levels would appear to be relatively low.  No slurry store declared or visible.</p>
<p>Regular ploughing,</p>	<p>No restrictions on how frequent land can be ploughed as long as it is not environmentally sensitive permanent grassland or covered by Environmental Impact Assessment regs, and regular arable fields wouldn't.</p>	<p>Cultivation of the arable fields is visible from the aerial imagery.</p>
<p>Habitats are in generally of low biodiversity value</p>		<p>Appears to be a diverse range of crops and crop types across the farm. A variety of arable crops (Wheat/Barley/Oats), grassland, water, woodland, hedgerows.</p>
<p>Moving to a less intensive farming regime; protection and repair of the trees, hedges and meadows; control of invasive species; alongside creation of features such as wetlands, ponds and woodland, would all significantly improve the quality and condition of the site for Nature.</p>		<p>There are a number of ponds and wooded areas within the farm including a new pond constructed Aug 2020.</p>

**Preliminary Ecological Appraisal – Gilestone Farm**

Please see separate document.