Catchment Sensitive Farming Assessment Form

To be completed by Catchment Sensitive Farming (CSF) for Countryside Stewardship Capital Only or Mid-Tier applicants wishing to apply for capital items and options requiring prior approval from CSF.

This form must be completed by CSF, external supplier working on behalf of CSF or a CSF partner, prior to the application deadline and then submitted by the applicant to the Rural Payments Agency (RPA) with the completed Countryside Stewardship (CS) application form.

Applicant name	Ross Watson					
Farm name and address	Hill Farm Partnership, Holmrook, CA19 1UG					
CPH number	08.004.0180					
SBI Number	200629398					
Water Framework Directive Management Catchment	South West Lakes					
River Basin District	North West					
Form completed by: (CSFO or FaLMA supplier)						
Name	Rosie Law					
Company if applicable	CSF					
E mail address						
Telephone number						
Any additional comments						
Pollutant priorities and pressures:						

Pollutant priorities in the catchment as targeted by CSF: sediment, phosphate, nitrate, and ammonia.

Farm description: 480 cattle, 109ha, River Irt catchment, Freely draining slightly acid loamy soils, 100m to River Irt, 500m to Drigg Holme SSSI and 1.4km downstream to Drigg coast SSSI

Pollutant pressures on farm i.e., water and air: Rain falling on roofs is then becoming contaminated as it flows across dirty yards. Rain falling on feeding yard is becoming contaminated and adding to slurry volume. Slurry is getting down clean drains in the corners of the dirty yard.

The following options are approved by CSF for inclusion in a CS agreement: (Please note this list should not exceed the upper financial threshold(s) as contained in the relevant CS manual).									
CS Item / option	OS Map Ref	Field ref.	Max agreed total to be applied for	Unit of Measure (ha, m, m², units)	Additional text to be included in agreement document e.g., description of item / option, what is being covered, reference to any specific conditions set out in this form below etc.				
RP28	SD0799	7849	126	m²	Covering existing feed yard				
RP15	SD0799	7849	161	m²					
RP14	SD0799	7849	1	Unit	To have a solid cover				
RP16	SD0799	7849	346	m	See condition below				
RP13	SD0799	7849	23	m					
Any other supporting information or documents – please include a map or annotated aerial photograph to confirm the location of the approved items / options which have been agreed									



Additional requirements:

Conditions and / or further advice

- Clean water from roofs to be collected in guttering and piped to appropriate storage or clean water drains/soakaways.
- The inspection pit is to have a solid cover to reduce the chance of dirty water/slurry from the adjoining dirty yard entering the clean drain
- The clean drain/downspout in the yard to be concreted should be part way up the yard and not on the corner next to the dirty yard as it is at present- this will avoid the chance of dirty water contamination of clean drains.
- The feed area next to the new concrete yard is to have kerb stones or profiled concrete so spilled feed is contained next to the building and not spoiling the new clean concrete

Planning Permission – Some capital items e.g., buildings, concreting etc. will require evidence of planning permission or confirmation from the relevant planning authority that it is not needed. Therefore, you will need to refer to the relevant CS specification and submit the relevant evidence with the grant claim where required.

Public Right of Way - If any works affect a public right of way applicants will need to contact the relevant highways authority to discuss the proposal and seek any necessary consents or support.

Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and Scheduled Monuments (SM) – Where either a SSSI or SM are present on the farm, the relevant land parcels must be included within a Stewardship agreement, and an appropriate option placed on them where available.

CSF score (if approved)									
High	x		Medium		Low				
Justification to support the CSF approval and score or reasons for declining:									
By directing rainwater away from the feeding yard there will be significantly less rainwater entering the slurry system, therefore enabling slurry to be stored for longer, making it easier to spread at appropriate times. Concrete on the yard shown will enable it to be kept clean, this in turn will ensure that no dirty water is entering clean drains and the nearby river from this yard. The guttering, inspection pit and downspouts will ensure that clean water is directed to clean drains without the chance of contamination from dirty yard areas.									
Form complete	ed by:								
Name		Rosie Law							
Signature							Date 18/04/23		
Countersigned by CSF where applicable:									
Name									
Signature							Date		