

#### BROOKFIELD FARM

2020 GLAS TRADITIONAL FARM BUILDINGS GRANT SCHEME SEMINAR
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#### Glas Traditional Farm Buildings Grant

- Heritage Council with DAFM
- GLAS Traditional Farm Buildings Grant Scheme
- Significant heritage value, contribute to the character of the landscape
- Conserved for active agricultural use
- Traditional Farm outbuildings, including walls, gate pillars, yard surfaces.
- Minimal intervention repair but don't set out to do too much work



#### **Brookfield Farm**

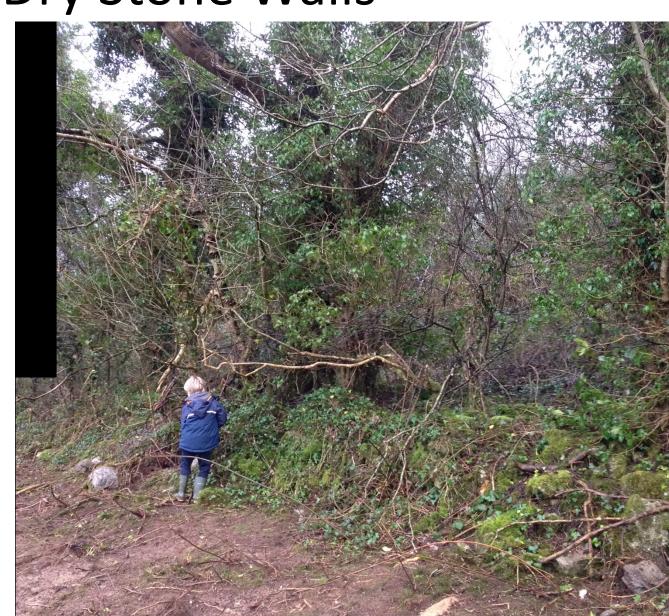
Integrated and diverse farm and business



### **Dry Stone Walls**

Nearly 1km of dry stone walls enclosing a broadleaf wood.

Most in poor condition.



- Clearing scrub from walls
- Collapsed walls buried stones
- Rebuilding by CELT





Finished double wall and corner





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- 75% grant for wall repair enclosing wood
- NativeWoodlanddesignation



Having a go – slow work!

CELT provided highly skilled trainer Bob and trainees.



#### Dry Stone Walls Drone view 2018



#### Meeting Prince Charles

Heritage Council, Kilkenny 11th May 2017



### Background Brookfield Farm

- 30 ha farm (c. 75 acres)
  - 15 ha arable
  - 6 ha broadleaf forestry planted 1996
  - 3 ha native woodland
  - 6 ha grass/ forage

#### Farming:

- arable (barley, wheat, oil seed rape)
- timber, forestry
- Lamb sold directly
- Forage crops: hay, silage

#### Farm Business:

- Beekeeping Honey +
   Hiveshare +
- Handmade beeswax candles
- Visitor Experiences

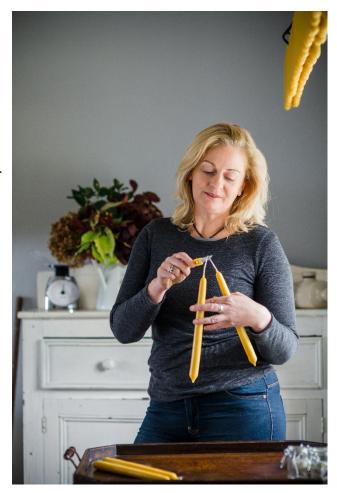






# Brookfield Farm – recent activity

- RDS Sustainable Farming, Sustainable Living Award Winner 2019
- Farming for Nature Honorary Ambassador 2019
- Farming for Nature Awards nominee 2018
- Bank of Ireland Start Up Awards Bronze award winner Creative Retail and Craft awards 2017
- Bank of Ireland Start Up Awards Regional finalist Sustainable Start up 2016
- Nuffield Agricultural Scholar awarded 2016
- National Ploughing Championships Innovation Arena 2016.
   Enterprise Ireland and the Irish Farmers Journal
- Selected Design Ireland Best Gifts RDS National Craft + Design Fair 2016 + 2017 + 2018
- Design Council of Ireland Member
- Member Tipperary Food Producers' Network
- Great Taste Awards judge 2016
- Tipperary Green Business Network member
- ACORNS programme 2016 + 2017 + 2018 (competitive rural female entrepreneur programme)
- A Taste of Lough Derg Tipperary County Council food producers' promotion. 2014 - 2020
- Awarded alumnus IFOAM (Organics International) Global Organic Agriculture Leaders' programme, scholarship winner 2015
- IFOAM Masterclass Korea Scholarship winner 2017
- Winner Irish Times Artisan Food Producers' competition 2014



# Brookfield Farm – Thank you!



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