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The Wiltshire office of The Farm Consultancy Group is based in a rural setting on Max Sealy's family farm in North Wiltshire. The office is staffed by Sue Lane and Judith Harford who provide administrative back up to the consultants working from this office.

All aspects of Farm Consultancy Group services are delivered from the Wiltshire office with the team covering a wide range of topics from technical consultancy in all livestock areas and farm business consultancy covering both livestock, arable and diversified businesses. There is a heavy emphasis on rural business including rural grants and diversification advice.

## Curriculum Vitae

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Max Sealy has fifteen years experience as a farm management consultant. He provides financial and business planning advice to a wide range of farming and rural businesses as well as technical advice mainly to dairy and mixed farming businesses; this includes dairy nutrition and grassland management.

Max is a graduate of Seale-Hayne with a BSc (Hons) in Agriculture. He combines his consultancy business with responsibility for managing the 190 cow autumn calving dairy herd on his 380-acre family farm. He is very much a hands on farmer employing just one full time herdsman on the farm. This gives him a unique insight in how his clients also manage their businesses.

He is a member of RABDF, FWAG, NFU and CLA. He is SFEDI accredited and is a Lantra registered consultant.

He is assisted in his business by George Drewett and Tom Tolputt, please see details below.

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Tom Tolputt

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Tom works with Max Sealy as a nutritionist and business consultant, specializing in dairy & beef nutrition and organic farm management. Tom has a background in the feed industry and has worked with a large number of herds in the UK, as well as travelling to the USA to study dairy systems. He also carries out training work for both DairyCo and Omsco.

He currently farms in Cornwall on a 220 acre organic suckler beef, potato, cereal and vegetable unit and is Director of Cornish Organic Growers (COG) and of Cornish River Valley Produce.

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George Drewett

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George works as a farm management consultant alongside Max Sealy, providing advice on a wide range of topics including business advice, budgeting, environmental schemes, waste management, farm diversification, planning support and agricultural justifications.

He is currently in the process of creating The Avon Meadow Sheep Group that will be marketing lamb from a number of different farms within the Wiltshire area to achieve a sufficient end price. Along with bulk purchasing products, holding meetings and talks to allow farmers to gain a better understanding of the industry.

George graduated from Reading University with BSc (Hons) in Agriculture in 2007. He has managed his own flock of 150 ewes since 1998 and also manages 150 acres for the production of cereals and grain maize on the family farm, which has given him experience of the day to day practicalities of running a farming business.