



NSA Breed Society Forum

Thursday 2nd May 2019 at Onley Grounds Farm

(in the Equestrian Centre Conference Room, Willoughby, Rugby, Warwickshire, CV23 8AJ)

An open invitation for NSA, NSA-affiliated breed societies and NSA partners to share and gather information. The morning will provide key industry updates and the afternoon will be an interactive session discussing the importance of breed diversity for the UK sheep sector.

- 10.15am **Registration, tea and coffee**
- 10.45am **Welcome**
From NSA Eastern Region – hosts for this years Breed Society Forum.
- 10.50am **Sheep sector industry updates (with a break half-way through for tea/coffee)**
Led by Joanne Briggs, NSA
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| Policy/Brexit | Eleanor Phipps, NSA Communications Officer |
| Breeding/genetics | Emma Steele, Signet |
| Wool opportunities | Gareth Jones, British Wool |
| NSA activities | Chris Adamson, NSA Campaigns and Activities Officer |
- 1pm **Lunch**
- 1.45pm **The importance of breed diversity for the UK sheep sector**
Led by Nicola Noble, NSA, with contributions from SAC Consulting
- Outcomes from the NSA stratified sheep system meeting, January 2019
The role of health certificates
Highlights from the Defra sheep genetic scoping study
Common themes and next steps
- 3.20pm **Closing remarks and next steps**
- 3.30pm **Finish**



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