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## **Wanted - organic land entrepreneurs**

The hunt is on for innovative and dynamic land entrepreneurs, interested in an exciting opportunity to build on a successful organic farming, retail and tourism business at Slack House Farm, Gilsland situated on the Cumbrian / Northumbrian boundary in the heart of Hadrian's wall country.

The present owners have developed flourishing Soil Association registered organic enterprises at Slack House Farm, including an organic dairy herd, processing milk into cheese and yoghurt, a farm shop, café, a bunk and camping barn. Lots more information about the farm can be found by visiting the web site. <https://slackhousefarm.co.uk/>

The owners would like to find like-minded individuals to take forwards the business building on the existing and bringing new ideas and initiatives to the farm, whilst maintaining its organic status and continuing to enhance the farm for wildlife.

"We are calling for individuals and partnerships to register their interest by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 We will invite interested parties to visit the farm in March to look at possibilities and discuss their ideas. At this stage we are just asking for a brief description of their business concept. Even if you have just a kernel of an idea and the passion to succeed, we would love to hear your proposal.

Anyone interested in applying should e mail 3D Rural [sue.steer@3drural.co.uk](mailto:sue.steer@3drural.co.uk) Tel 07729 927777

**Note to editor:**

**About Slack House Farm** - the farm has been kindly pledged to Soil Association Land Trust by Dianne and Eric Horn who have worked the farm for over 25 years. It is situated near Gilsland on the edge of the Lake District and Northumberland National Parks. The farm boasts a rich history of Romans being within a stone's throw of the well-preserved sections of Hadrian's Wall & Birdoswald Roman Fort.

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For further information please contact Sue Steer [sue.steer@3drural.co.uk](mailto:sue.steer@3drural.co.uk)

The **Soil Association Land Trust** safeguards legacies of productive land, providing a haven and preventing land being lost from farming and growing. Land is donated by retiring farmers and landowners, often those with no dependents, who wish to see their life's work continue. Their generosity means not only can we keep land for farming and growing but we can also provide opportunities for people to enter farming, often for the first time. The Land Trust is part of the Soil Association family and is governed by its own Articles and its own Board of Trustees.

The **Soil Association** was founded in 1946 by farmers, scientists, doctors and nutritionists to promote the connection between the health of the soil, food, animals, people and the environment. Today the Soil Association is the UK's leading membership charity campaigning for healthy, humane and sustainable food, farming and land use. Its Chief Executive is Helen Browning, and Chair of Trustees is Martin Nye.

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