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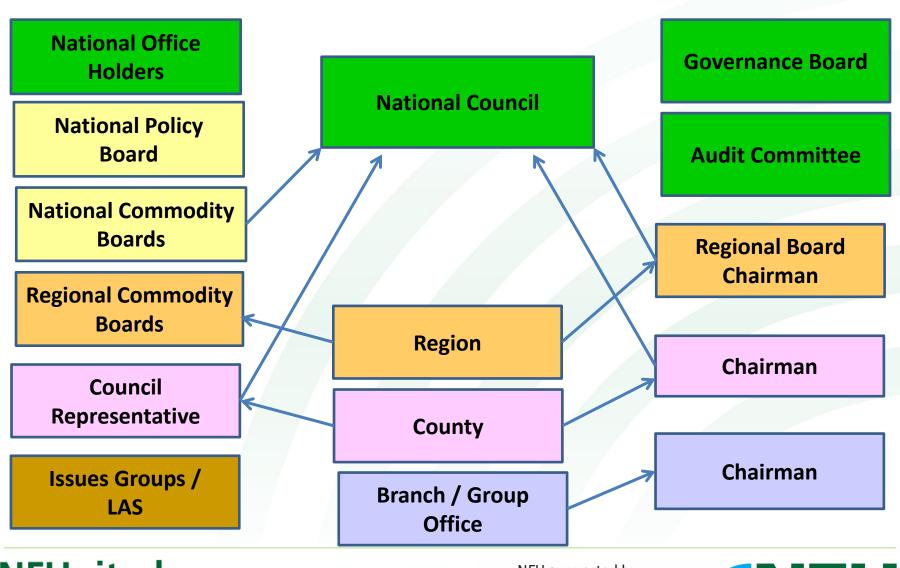
### The NFU - headlines

- Formed in 1908
- Represent farmers and growers in England and Wales
- 46,000 Farmer and Grower members
- Democratic Structure run by farmers for farmers
- £17.6m in subscriptions (voluntary)
- 250+ Local offices (with NFU Mutual)
- Additional memberships
  - Students and Young Farmers, Professional, Countryside





### **Democratic Structure**







### Sectorial price snapshot

Commodity Prices	December 2016 prices	% change from 3 months ago	% change from 12 months ago	% change from 24 months ago
Milk (ppl) – November 2016	25.6	19.6%	5.8%	-10.8%
Deadweight pigs (p/kg)	149.0	8.4%	21.6%	3.5%
Feed Wheat (£/t)	136.4	-4.8%	5.9%	-7.1%
Deadweight sheep (p/kg)	386.9	-4.8%	5.9%	-7.1%
Deadweight cattle (p/kg)	351.3	-0.5%	4.2%	-0.9%
Source: AHDB (Figures may not add up due to rounding).				

- Price movements have been generally positive over the past year. Following the results of the EU referendum, the pound has weakened significantly against the euro, contributing to higher prices.
- However, higher global supply and lower demand fundamentals are still in full force, keeping some pressure on prices.







### Labour

Horticulture alone employs over 80,000 workers That number will rise to 95,000 in the next four years



Government to trial a fixed-term seasonal work permit scheme for agriculture and horticulture. The long term goal is to bring in 90,000 workers.







# Brexit – a new landscape







#### THE TIMES

# Brexit means cheaper food for Britons

JOHN LONGWORTH

The Telegraph

Brexit will lead to cheaper food if right policies adopted, says OBR official



Cheaper food AFTER EU exit: Consumer boost as experts now say that prices will come DOWN



Brexit means cheap food imports, says Farage





### **Building Blocks for a Domestic Agricultural Policy:**

Building Competitive, Profitable and Progressive Farm Businesses



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