

Soil Health Farm Walk

Seaham Grange Farm to showcase initial results of reduced tillage practices to the farming sector.

Summary: 25/07/18; The Wear Rivers Trust in partnership with Frontier™ and Seaham Grange Farm are planning to exhibit the benefits of converting to sustainable low-tillage farming to local farmers, both in cost to the farmer and in improving the environment.



Details of the event: The event will kick off 5:30pm at [Seaham Grange Farm](#) with a meet and greet before heading down to the trial plots at the Glebe field. A “walk and talk” style will be utilised over the course of the evening covering topics such as; ‘Increasing Nutrient Efficiency’, ‘Benefits of No-Till Farming’, ‘Cultivation Techniques’ ‘Data Collection and Analysis Methodologies’, & ‘Expected Results’. The key benefits will be underpinned by the Wear Rivers Trust’s own Steve Hudson, who will use the opportunity to highlight pollution risks to the underlying groundwater source through the Magnesian Limestone Rural Diffuse Project (MLRDP). The project focuses on the identification of farmland where valuable nutrients can be retained in the topsoil instead of being lost through percolation to groundwater or via runoff to nearby rivers. This will both provide long term benefits to the farming business while protecting the environment. Additionally, updates will be available with regards to CAP & Stewardship. The evening will close with a pie and a pint at the nearby [Seaton Lane Inn](#)

Refreshments will be provided. Local farmers, landowners and anyone with an interest in reduced tillage farming techniques or environmental protection are invited to book their place at the event by contacting Kirstie Hutchinson on 01388 488867 or admin@wear-rivers-trust.org.uk.