

## **Progressive Farming Trust is looking for new board members**

Progressive Farming Trust is a charity working to advance collective knowledge and practice in environmentally sensitive and organic farming.

We focus on three main areas:

- Enhancing knowledge exchange, education, and training that drive on-farm action
- Supporting farm businesses to adopt more resilient and sustainable models
- Strengthening shorter, fairer supply chains that empower both farmers and consumers

To help deliver these priorities we run:

- Agricology, a free information hub where farmers and growers can access practical guidance about sustainable agriculture
- Dean Organic Fund, offering small interest free loans to organic farmers

Established in 1980, the Trust has a long history of supporting progressive farming. For many years we worked as the <u>Organic Research Centre</u>, and following a de-merger in September 2025, we have refocused our activities and are now developing a new strategy to guide our future work.

We are recruiting up to four new volunteer Directors to join our Board and help strengthen the organisation. The Board currently meets quarterly (around one day every three months), either in person or online.

We welcome applications from people who bring any of the following:

- Experience as a grower, farmer, or food producer
- Knowledge of charity sector finance
- An interest in improving uptake of knowledge and skills in sustainable agriculture and food supply chains

We are actively working to build a more inclusive and diverse Board, and particularly encourage applications from people who are underrepresented in food growing, farming, and the environmental sector. We value lived experience as well as professional expertise.

If you are interested in applying, please send a CV and cover letter to <a href="mailto:recruitment@progressivefarmingtrust.org">recruitment@progressivefarmingtrust.org</a>. This will be a rolling recruitment process and will remain open until all vacancies are filled.