

# FARM MANAGEMENT TRAINEE PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITY

## SUMMARY

- **Job Area:** Livestock Production
- **Position:** Temporary
- **Location:** Frome
- **Job Reference:** Placement Role

## DETAIL

A new and exciting position has arisen for a placement student to join our newly developed trial farm down in Somerset, near Frome.

Long Lane Development farm is a Buitelaar owned professional rearing facility, offering huge opportunity for a young, ambitious individual wanting to progress in their career.

The 2019 acquisition and continued investment and development at the farm, offers a state-of-the-art facility, with huge opportunity for education, on-farm trials and research and development.

The site currently has capacity for up to 1200 calves at any one time. However, due to ongoing development work, capacity will be increasing up to 1500 in the Spring of this year.

*What can we offer you?*

- Paid placement position
- Opportunity to work on a state-of-the-art calf rearing facility, utilising innovative systems & technologies in the workplace.
- Learn from and work with a highly experienced, knowledgeable, and qualified team
- Work directly alongside our Development Farm Manager
- Work with our supply chain veterinary partners
- Understand and contribute to the research & development with industry experts

- Participation in industry leading Open Days involving key stakeholders and progressive producers
- Access to working group meetings with senior management

**Daily tasks include, but are not limited to:**

Record Keeping:

- Completion & upkeep of farm records including trial work processes & procedures in line with pre agreed protocols including:
  - Vaccinations
  - Disbudding

Managing milk feeding

- Timings
- Milk feed plans
- Weaning procedures
- Managing required staffing levels in line with calf intakes

Selecting calves:

- Assisting farm manager in selecting calves for licenses and orders with the aim to select calves while the farm manager is on leave

Health management:

- Work alongside supply chain vets to develop and apply health plan measures
- Following and ensuring health plans are adhered to, identifying sick animals, following treatment protocols
- Identifying areas of improvement to management of treatment protocols

Feeding:

- Understanding the concentrate feeding routine, ration transition protocols, cake to blend, higher protein cake to lower etc.
- Working with supply chain nutritionists to develop feed plans

Shed preparation:

- Steam cleaning
- Cleaning of feeding and management equipment
- Disinfection of pens in preparation for new batches of calves



General:

- Upkeep of general farm hygiene and maintenance
- Engaging in farm tours with customers, suppliers, guests and relevant meetings.

Desirables:

- Tractor driving, including but not limited to straw chopping, mucking out sheds, operating auger bucket

The general work routine at Long Lane:

- 7 am start
- Break for breakfast half an hour
- Lunch break one hour
- 5PM finish (may require some over time)
- Collection days to help collection staff grade and batch calves to order (approx. 8PM finish)
- Weekend rota work applicable.

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