



- 1 The Club Leader provides advice, support and guidance to club officers and members in all aspects of running a Young Farmers' Club.
- 2 Get to know the club and its members. This will enable you to judge when it is appropriate to offer help and when it is advisable to stand back and observe.
- 3 Respect the values and opinions of the young people concerned and the qualities office holders bring to their post(s); they might not do things your way, but their way could still work.
- 4 Act as a mentor to club officers, especially those who are new and inexperienced.
- 5 Don't judge members or say, "I told you so".
- 6 Ensure that the club complies with all relevant legislation.
- 7 Ensure that you are familiar with the Child Protection Policy, especially if the club has members under the age of 18 years. This is for your own protection as much as the members'.
- 8 Ensure that you are familiar with the Health and Safety Policy and seek support from the county office on putting health and safety/risk assessment procedures in place.
- 9 Work with the previous year's officer team to provide an induction for the new officers.
- 10 Ensure that you understand the roles of the members you are supporting and that they know what your role is.
- 11 Step in as and when required to support the club during times of difficulty.
- 12 Stay in touch with the club through regular attendance at club meetings and events or other means as appropriate.
- 13 Keep up to date with relevant activities and policies at other levels within YFC eg at county, area and national level.
- 14 Ensure that the club is providing a balanced programme of activities for all members.
- 15 Be approachable and prepared to listen, no matter how much of a hurry you are in.
- 16 Ensure that members know how to contact you and be there for them when they need you.
- 17 Be diplomatic and remember that the members have the final decision.
- 18 Share experiences with other Club Leaders, both within the club and from other clubs.
- 19 Remember, you do not have to be an expert in everything, but you do have to be prepared to find out if you don't know how to tackle a particular problem.
- 20 Live the values of YFC – fun, learning and achievement.