**Appendix 1. Flock application form – Please complete your details below:**

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| Name  |  |
| Address |
| Telephone |  |
| Email |  |
| Electronic identification (EID) |  |
| Full EID system already in place and fully utilised | Yes, since …………… (year) |
| EID equipment |  |
| EID software |  |
| Mating:  |  |
| Number of ewes available to project |  |
| Ewe breed |  |
| Ability to single sire mate groups of ewes with rams | Yes / No |
| Willing to use artificial insemination (AI) on a proportion of ewes | Yes / Need more information / No  |
| Lambing period (planned) |  |
| Rams:  |  |
| Ram breed(s) currently used |  |
| Do you already use recorded rams | Yes / Some / No |
| I am a pedigree, performance recorded ram breeder (breed) |  |
| Facility to hold rams in quarantine on farm | Yes / No |
| If using AI, are we able to align AI & natural service dates | Yes / No |
| Lambs:  |  |
| Lambing | Indoors / Outside |
| Willing to tag, weigh and fully record lambs at birth | Already do / Willing to start |
| Able to manage all lambs as a uniform group | Yes / No  |
| Willing to collect lamb weights at 56 (8 -weeks), 90 days (12-weeks) plus a final sale weight | Already do / Willing to start |
| Lamb finishing system (brief explanation) |  |
| Slaughter |  |
| Abattoirs report standard kill data on individual lamb EID basis | Yes already do / Possibly / No |
| Date of first slaughter batch (usually) |  |
| Date of last slaughter batch (objective)  |  |

**General flock information:**

* You would be invited to attend all project group meetings (most are online)
* You may be asked to host an open day
* You would maintain full ownership of the lambs and rams
* Lamb payments - 50% paid at pregnancy scanning and the remainder paid when the slaughter season completes

**The project would agree to provide:**

* Terminal sire performance recorded rams sourced by the project are provided free of charge, they will be fertility/health tested with all associated costs covered\*
* Artificial Insemination (AI) including all associated costs such as semen purchase, synchronisation and AI fee
* Access to veterinary advice as necessary - AI, ram health/fertility and lamb management

\*Performance recorded terminal sire rams sourced by individual farms can be put forward – in these circumstances farms take full responsibility.