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**Trinity Grain: Prestigious speaker event on strengthening collaboration in the farming industry**

Delivering long term sustainable value to its farmers through cooperation is the overarching aim of farmer-owned grain storage and marketing cooperative Trinity Grain, which is launching its new five-year strategic plan by hosting an evening panel of distinguished speakers, titled ‘*Helping Yourself and Helping Each Other’.*

Baroness Minette Batters, Member of the House of Lords, Farmer, and former President of the National Farmers’ Union, will engage in the discussion, along with Nick Shorter, Group Chief Executive of Velcourt; Dan Knight, Director at Evolution ABS; and James Dallas, CEO of Openfield.

Taking place on Wednesday 5th February, at Thruxton Race Circuit, Hampshire, the event will deliver on Trinity Grain’s vision to showcase the true power of cooperation in helping to overcome current challenges in the farming industry.

David Evans, Managing Director at Trinity Grain, said: “We are thrilled to have such a prestigious mix of speakers to discuss the importance of cooperation amongst farmers, sharing ideas and having important conversations on how we can work together to enhance practices across the industry and deliver value to farmers.

“The benefits of cooperation, with many voices speaking louder than one, has the potential to improve efficiency and productivity but also to boost wellbeing in the sector by fostering connections between those with common interests and priorities. Providing the opportunities and mechanisms for these discussions to be had is a priority for us as a cooperative.”

Open to those in the south of England, the event will provide members, prospective members, and those linked to the industry, either as stakeholders, contractors, or other partners, the opportunity to hear from highly regarded industry experts on the benefits of collaboration in opening doors and finding solutions.

Trinity Grain Limited specialises in the professional processing, storage, and marketing of its farmer members’ grain across the South of England. The company offers a comprehensive service that mitigates risk, simplifies operations, and provides a reliable foundation for farmers navigating significant political, economic, and environmental challenges.

Handling over 200,000 tonnes of grain and oilseed annually for its 300 members, the business’s new five-year plan emphasises its commitment to safeguarding and enhancing long-term sustainability while consistently delivering value to its farmer members. True to the essence of a cooperative, it strives to act in the spirit of cooperation, not merely in name.

Richard Williamson, Executive Chairman of Trinity Grain, said: “By facilitating an event like this, we hope our members find it influential; growing their networks and contacts throughout the industry, as well as with fellow members, and gaining perspective and inspiration to enable them to make improvements to operations.

"In today’s challenging economic and political climate, enhanced cooperation is likely the only way for farmers to maintain their footing. Against this backdrop, Trinity is uniquely positioned to serve as both a conduit and a facilitator for collaboration. Our ethos as a cooperative is rooted in working together for the greater good, and it’s essential that we embody this not only at an operational level but on a personal level as well. We are delighted to welcome such respected speakers to help bring this to life at our panel discussion."

“In response to evolving agricultural policies, market volatility, and growing impacts of climate change, Trinity Grain is launching this new dynamic strategy to ensure long-term sustainability of existing activities and assets, while recognising its cooperative nature and generating true value for its members.”

The panel event will begin following the members-only AGM on Wednesday, 5 February, at 5.45pm at Thruxton Race Circuit, Hampshire. Please contact Rose Moore rose.moore@trinitygrain.co.uk to find out more information and book a place.

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**Notes to Editors**

About Trinity Grain

Trinity Grain is a professional farmer owned grain storage and marketing cooperative handling in excess of 200,000 tonnes annually for 300 growers across Southern England.

Our Purpose:

Trinity is a cooperative with a purpose of providing farmer members with an efficient grain storage and marketing service, managing risk, removing on-farm storge hassle, and charged at cooperative rates.

Value Delivery to Farmers:

Acting as a cooperative in the truest sense of the word, Trinity Grain delivers long-term, sustainable value to their farmers through:

· Professional Grain Storage: Catering to all farming businesses, Trinity reduces on-farm storage risks and hassles while preserving grain quality; Trinity Grain members benefit from affordable grain processing, cleaning, segregation, blending, and professional quality management.

· Direct Market Access: Cooperative pooling connects Trinity farmers directly to end users, with expert marketing partners managing sales, and a dynamic marketing committee, ensuring members don’t have to stress about selling their grain.

· Efficient Administration: Trinity’s central administrative team provides personal support to their farmers supporting their grain storage and marketing needs.

· Strategic Leadership: Continuous reinvestment ensures affordable, high-quality facilities, with a focus on sustainability, farmer well-being, and strong governance.

Trinity Grain, is dedicated to supporting their farmer’s success, enhancing the value of their crops, and securing a sustainable future for farming.