

BEE CONNECTED – ARE YOU?

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Bee Connected

- *Currently best agricultural practice, as advocated by the UK code of practice for pesticide use and farm assurance schemes, requires that notification takes place when certain crop protection products are used.*



In an ideal world

Hi, I'm spraying tomorrow

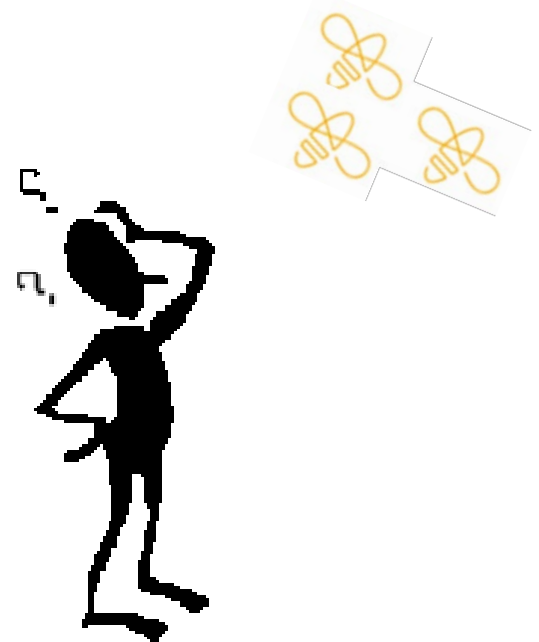
Thanks for letting me know



In the real world... it doesn't happen

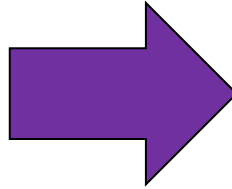


Which can lead in some cases to suspicion & distrust on both sides



There was a system... Spray Liaison Officers

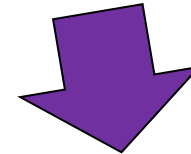
**Decision to
spray**



**Need to find
number and ring
local beekeeper
spray liaison officer**



**Farmer / contractor has
no idea if message
got through or if there are
beekeepers local to his field**



**If they get message,
they need to contact
beekeepers local
to spray event**

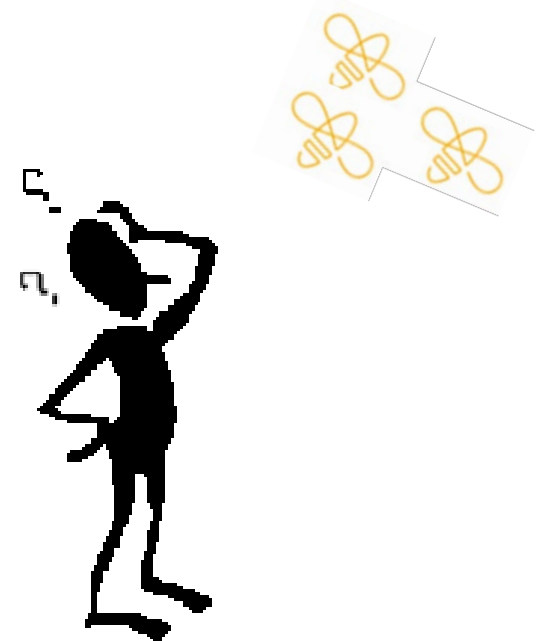
There had to be a better, more efficient way...



Let beekeepers know quickly

Not take too much time

Instant/ easy to use



Anonymity

Only inform what I need to
Easy to use

Instant information

What is sprayed
Will chemical affect my Bees,
The date and time

What will
work for
both parties?



Welcome to “Bee Connected”



Connecting beekeepers and farmers

A valuable tool connecting beekeepers with farmers & informing of crop protection activities nearby.

Welcome to BeeConnected – bringing farmers and beekeepers together, and keeping beekeepers notified when a neighbouring farmer is applying insecticides to their crops.

If you're a farmer or spray contractor, simply register below as a farmer, enter the details of when and where you're planning to spray an insecticide that may present a risk to bees (for instance on a flowering crop, or where the field has a conservation buffer strip), and a simple notification will be sent to neighbouring beekeepers registered with the system.

Login

Your email address *

Password *

[Forgotten password?](#)

Login

Farmer set-up

- From registration to adding spray treatments
- 3-5 Mins!





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Edit Field

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Name *

Cricketers1

Location *

lu70ez



Crop *

Oilseed Rape

☒ This field contains a flowering margin*

Update





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Add Spray Event

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Event Date *

Insecticides *

Select by: ☒ Product name ☐ Active ingredient



Your chosen insecticides will appear here. Please select one or more insecticide used for this spraying event, and then click the '+' to add it to your selection.

Affected Fields*



Affected fields will appear here. Please select one or field affected by this spraying event, and then click the '+' to add it to your selection.

Submit



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Success: Spraying event added successfully



Your Fields

This is a list of your fields.

[Add a Field >](#)

Cricketers1

[Edit Field >](#)

[Delete Field >](#)

ChurchLey1

[Edit Field >](#)

[Delete Field >](#)

Priests Field

[Edit Field >](#)

[Delete Field >](#)



Your Spraying Events

This is a list of your spraying events.

[Add a Spraying Event >](#)

17 Jun 2021

5 hive(s) in range

[Edit Spray Event >](#)

[Delete Spraying Event >](#)

Beekeeper set-up

- From registration to adding location of hives
- 3-4 Mins!



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To add a hive, give it a name and then locate it on the map by adding a nearby postcode or location into the search box.

Once you have located your hive, click the map to add a pin to the correct location. You can also choose how close to a spray event the hive needs to be in order to receive a notification, from 1 to 5 km.

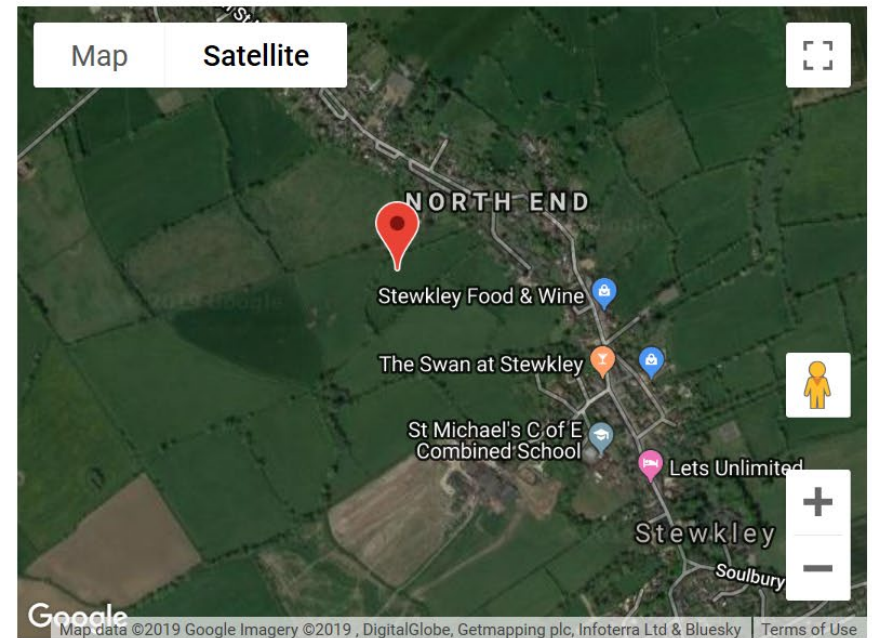
When you're happy with the location, simply click "Submit". You will then start receiving notifications for any spray events in the chosen vicinity of that hive.

Name*

Location *



Spray Alert Distance*





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Your Hives

These are your hives. When spraying is planned nearby, you will see alerts here.

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Carpenters

1 spraying event(s) planned >

[Edit Hive >](#)

[Delete Hive >](#)

Mursley, Church Field

1 spraying event(s) planned >

[Edit Hive >](#)

[Delete Hive >](#)

Long Pasture

1 spraying event(s) planned >

[Edit Hive >](#)

[Delete Hive >](#)

Church field

1 spraying event(s) planned >


[Edit Hive >](#)

[Delete Hive >](#)

Alerts - Bee Connected

beeconnected.org.uk/profile/hive/alerts?id=34525


☆ ⓘ ⚙️ N Paused



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Spraying is planned

Below is a list of fields affected by, and the date of nearby sprays.

Thursday 17 June 2021

Distance from Hive

< 1 km

Crop being sprayed

Oilseed Rape

Flowering margin

Yes

Pesticide(s) being sprayed

acetamiprid

BeeMail - Ask Farmer a question >

New Message

Using the form below, you can send the farmer a message regarding their spraying event on the **Thursday 17 June 2021**. Any replies will be sent to the email address linked to your account.

Message *

Dear Farmer,

What time will this spray be applied?

Many thanks

Cancel

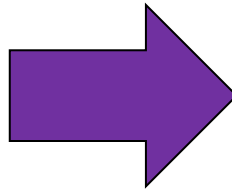
Confirm

11:36

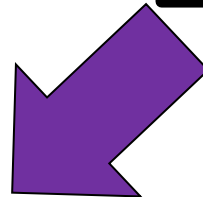
16/06/2021

Simply put.....

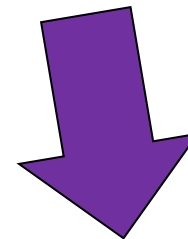
**Decision to
spray**



**Four clicks later,
notification is
complete**



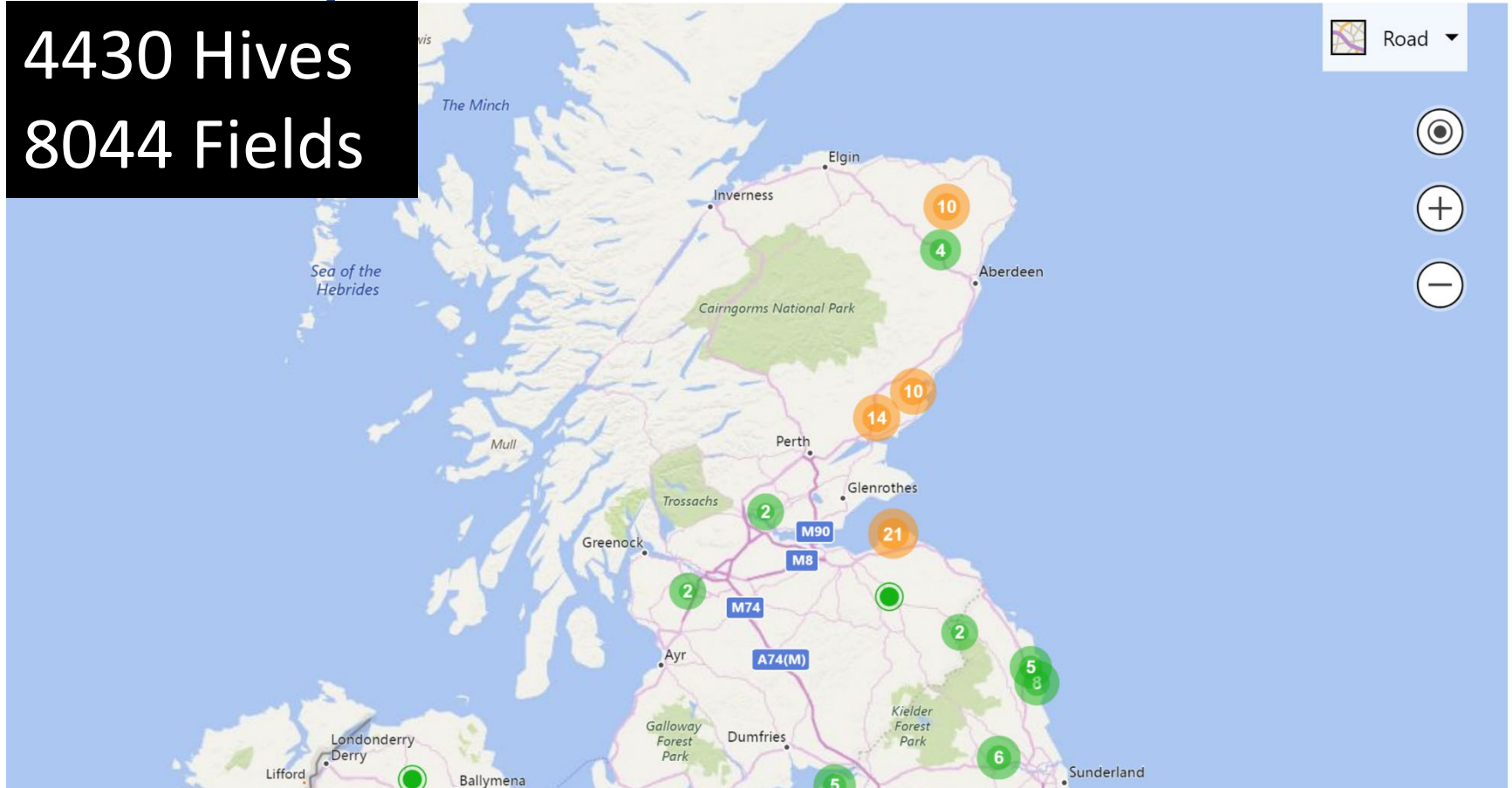
**Farmer / contractor
aware of bee hives
in his area and
can react**



**Local beekeepers
aware of spray event
and can react**

Currently we have:

4430 Hives
8044 Fields



This certifies that

Neal Eyans

Number ●●●●

Has signed up to

BeeConnected

Connecting Farmers & Beekeepers (part of the Voluntary Initiative)

1. This certificate and unique number are not transferable
2. This certificate is part of your IPM plan
3. This certificate can be used as evidence to demonstrate compliance with the relevant part of EC:f KEY in the Red Tractor Standards



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

