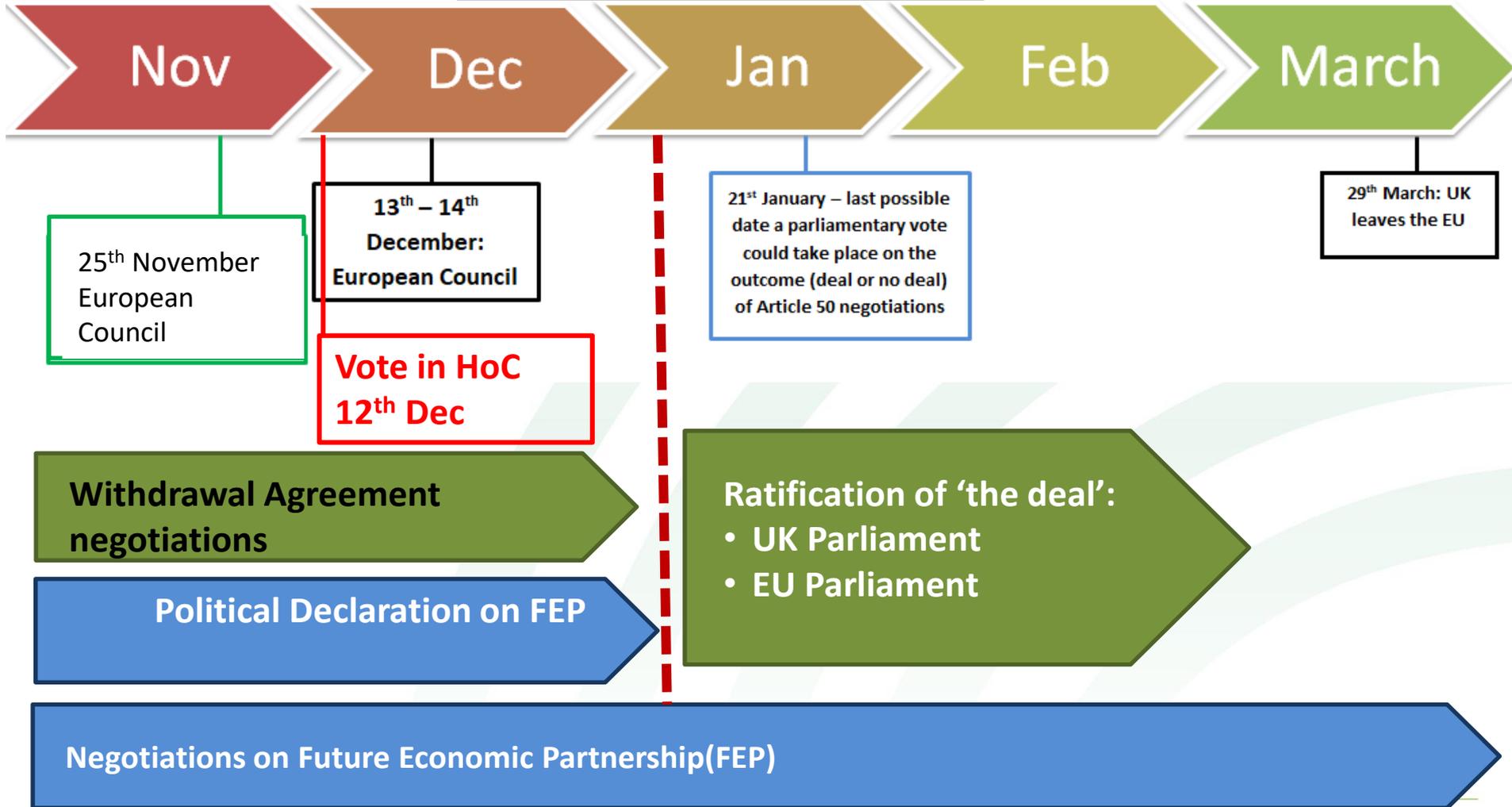


Article 50 negotiation timeline

No Deal Timeline – key dates and NFU action



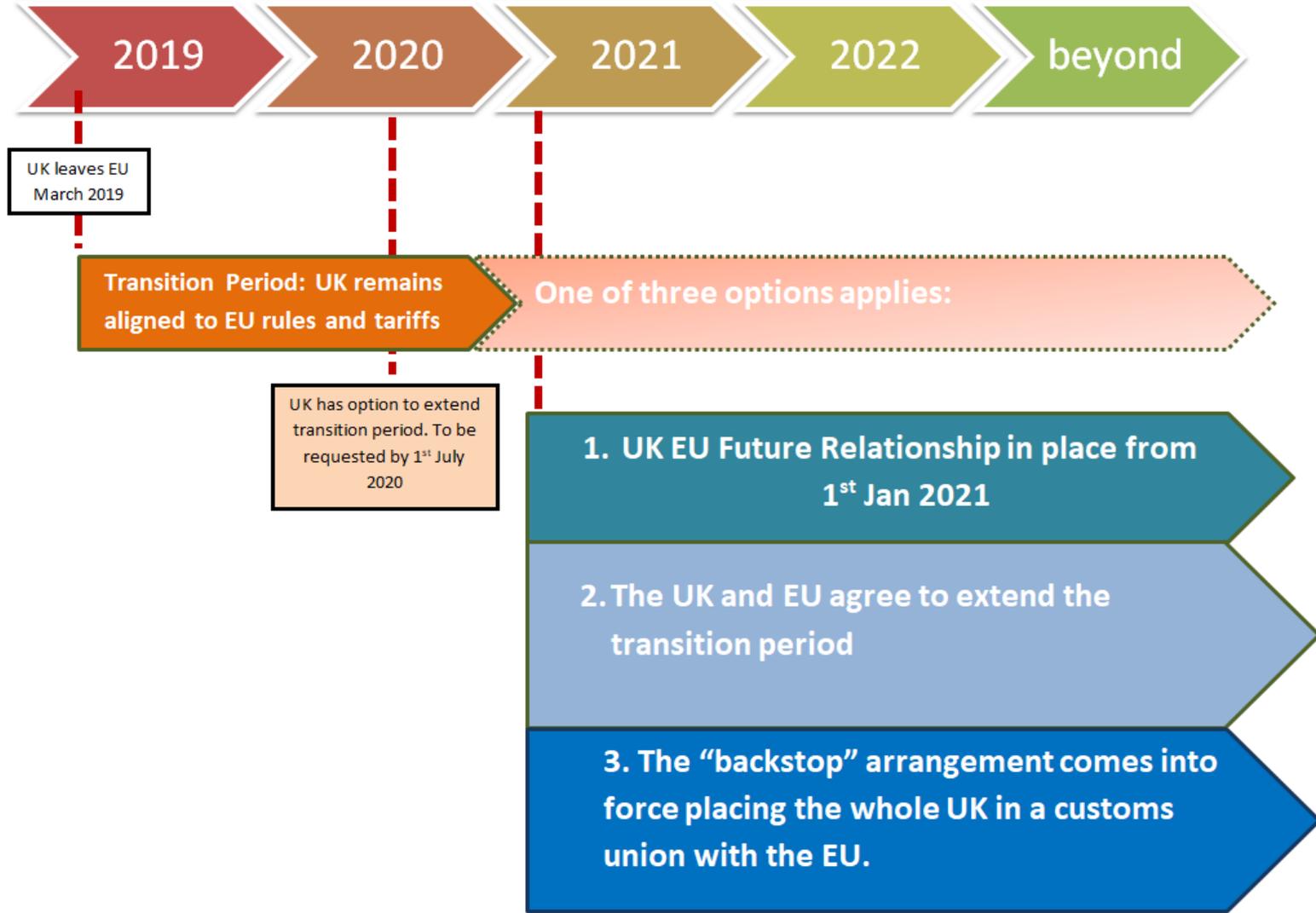
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What does the Withdrawal Agreement mean for farming during the transition period?

21 month transition period	✓
Free and frictionless trade with the EU	✓
UK following EU rules and regulations	✓
Access to EU labour	✓
Access to 3rd country EU FTA's	✓

What happens at the end of the transition period?



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Preparing for all outcomes – deal or no deal

UK Government continue to prepare for no deal

- Over 100 technical notices released
- Over 1,000 new border force staff recruited
- Statutory Instruments – over 800
- 400 NE & EA staff to move to no deal preparedness

BUT how bad would no deal really be?

- Trading with EU on WTO terms
- Threat of unilateral tariff reduction/abolition
- Technical restrictions on EU trade
- Restricted access to EU labour

NFU Brexit toolbox – preparing members for all outcomes



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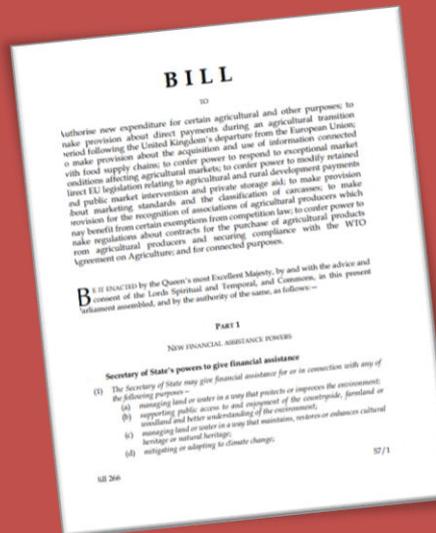


What does it mean for farming?

“Disorderly Brexit” (No Deal)

Trading with EU on WTO terms
Threat of unilateral tariff reduction/abolition
Technical restrictions on EU trade
Access to EU labour

End of CAP – new agricultural policy



“Orderly Brexit”

- Length of transition period
- Rule-taker during transition
- Regulatory alignment and membership of customs union
- 3rd country trade deals
- Access to EU labour

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Whitehall – Fantastic Mr Fox?



Dr Liam Fox MP ✓

@LiamFox

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.@businessinsider I cannot be any clearer, we will not lower food standards in a future free trade agreement with the United States



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Despite some misleading reporting @LiamFox has been clear, we will not accept an agreement that lowers 🇬🇧 food standards.

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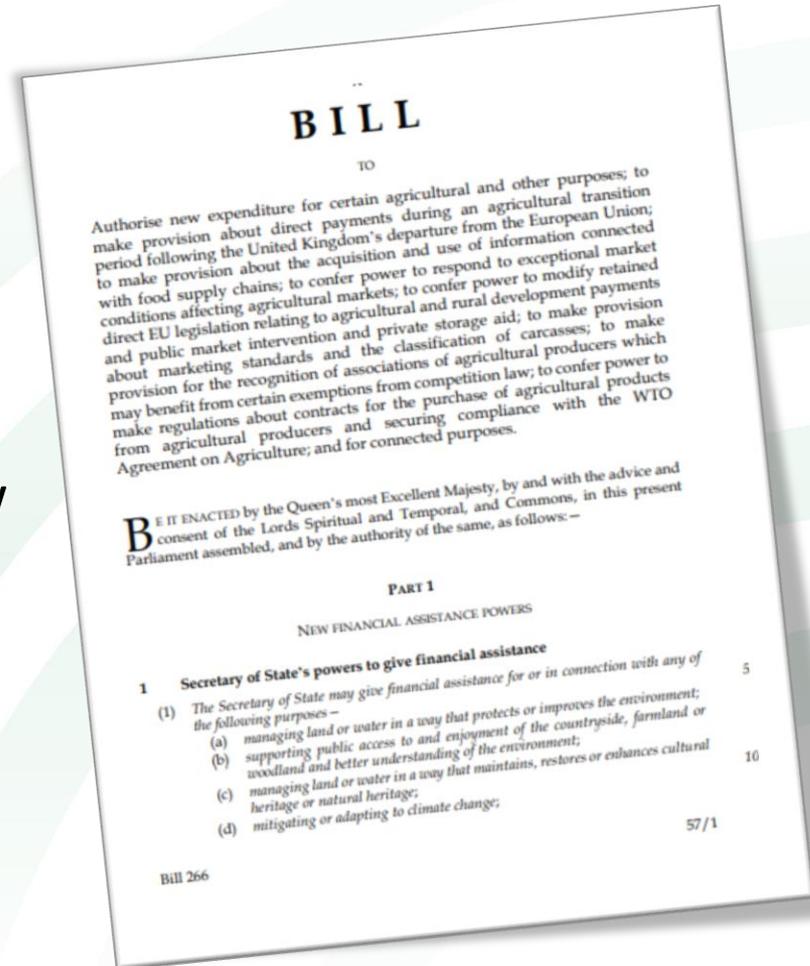
Agriculture Bill

An “enabling Bill” –
distinction between

legislative framework

for replacing the CAP, and how
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powers to deliver

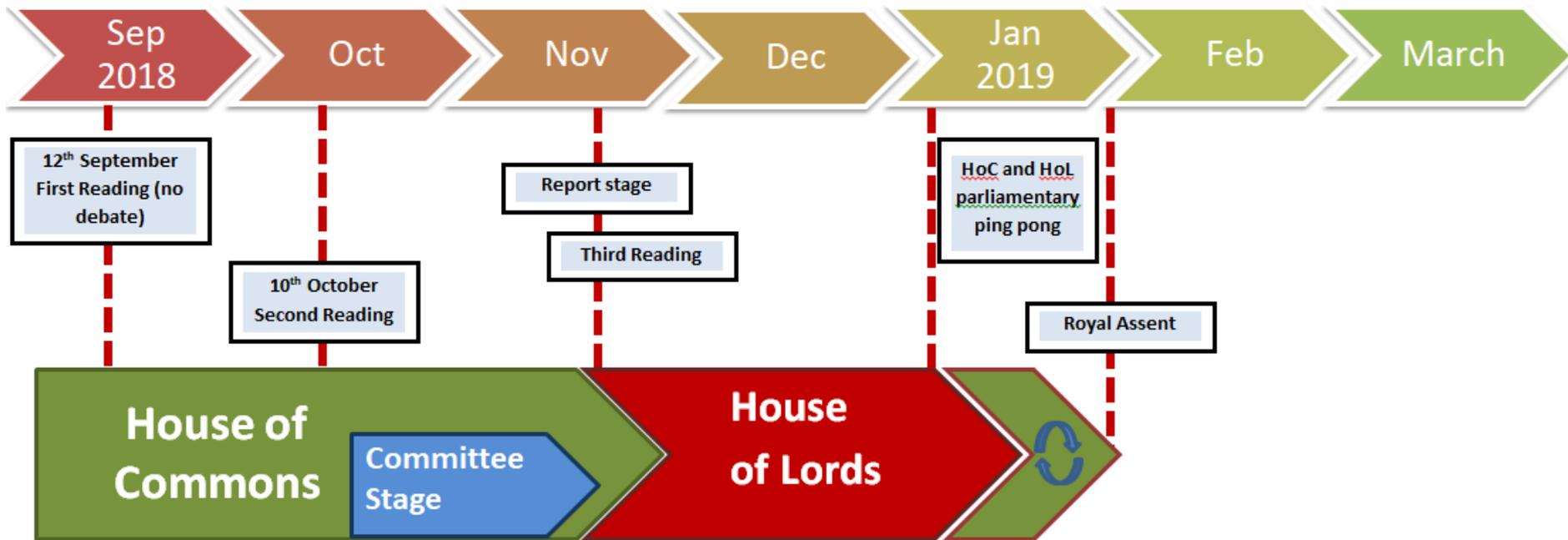
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Agriculture Bill – Westminster timeline



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Agriculture Bill – what does it say?

1. New financial assistance powers – public money for public good
2. Financial assistance during the Ag transition period
3. Collection & sharing of data
4. Powers to intervene in Agricultural markets
5. Marketing standards
6. PO's & fairness in the supply chain
7. Compliance with WTO Agreement on Agriculture
8. Wales & Northern Ireland



Agriculture Bill: the good

1. New financial assistance powers – public goods and **productivity**
2. **Market intervention** measures
3. **Fairness in the supply chain**
4. **Agricultural transition** – 7 years (2021-2027); ability to pause the process

Agriculture Bill: the bad

1. New financial assistance powers – public goods and productivity only. **Where's volatility? Where's food?**
2. **Who are the beneficiaries?** Is it an Agriculture Bill or a Land Management/Environment Bill?

Agriculture Bill: the unknown

- 1. De-linking** – how will it work? Will it benefit all farmers (tenants?)
- 2. Executive powers in the Bill** – are some too narrow; some too broad?
3. Broader policy:
 - **BPS phase out** – progressive reductions beyond year 1
 - **Overall budget** – manifesto promise
 - **Wider impact** of Brexit – ongoing assessment

Agriculture Bill

...improving the Bill

- An “**Agricultural**” Bill
- **Food security** as a “public good” – strategic priority for the UK, so “a purpose” for financial assistance under the Bill
- Simpler powers to support farmers with **volatility and market failure**
- **Budgetary cycle** and certainty
- **Trade and standards**

Agricultural policy

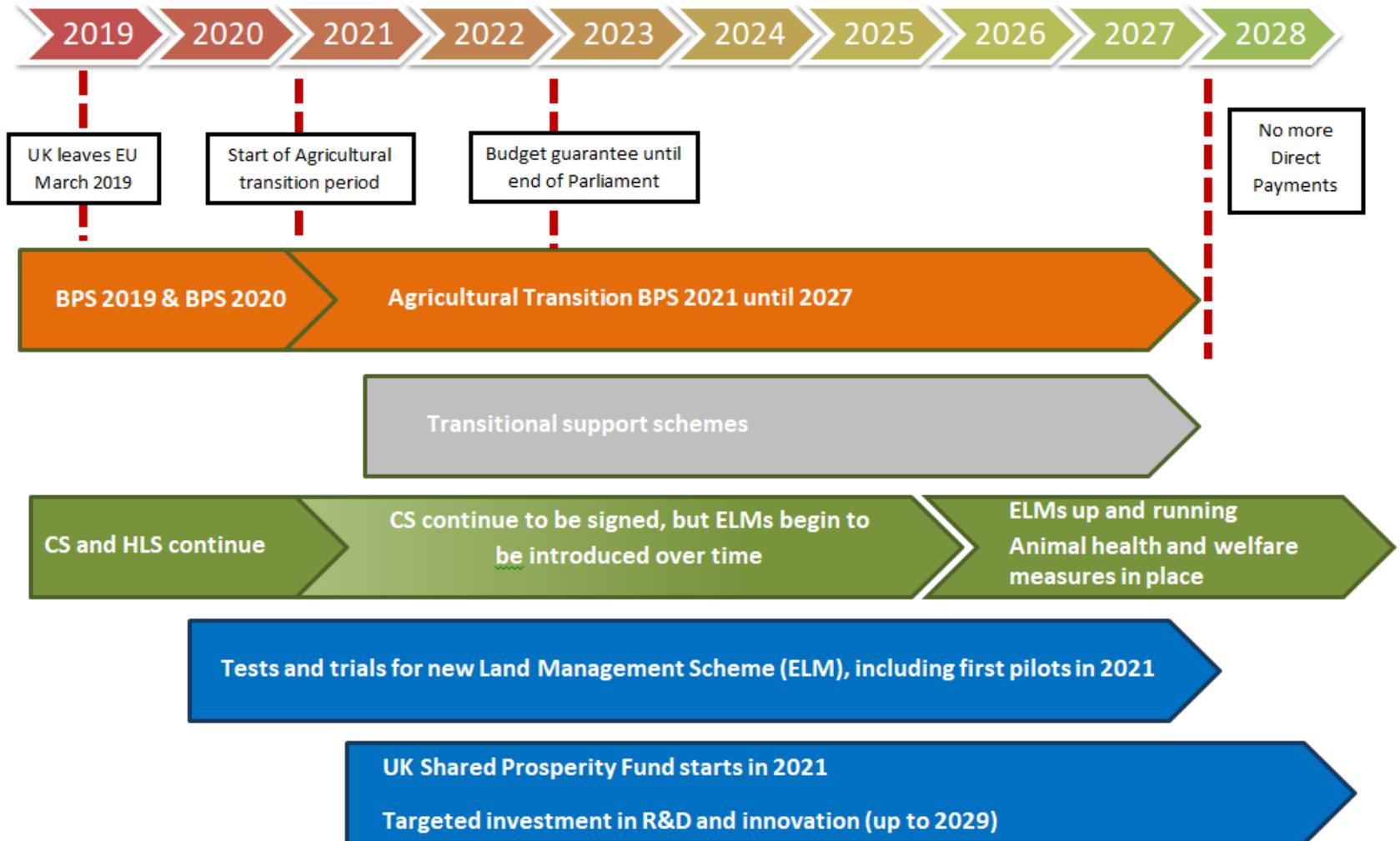
....improving the policy

- Evidence of **long-term commitment to food and agriculture**
- Prudent approach to **BPS phase out**
- Details on **de-linking, ELMS and productivity schemes**
- Financial assistance beyond environmental goods – food production, productivity and volatility

Ag Bill - NFU Top 10 Asks:

An “agricultural” Agriculture Bill	Strengthening farmer’s position in the supply chain
Competitiveness and financial resilience	UK frameworks: Maintaining a level playing field
Promoting the nation’s strategic priorities	Appropriate use of ministerial powers
Valuing and protecting our standards	Reducing the administrative burden on farming
Budgetary cycles	Wider government policy

The Agricultural transition



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How can members get involved?



Email your MP toolkit

The Agriculture Bill will return to the floor of the House of Commons by the end of November, giving all MPs an opportunity to table further amendments. This provides NFU members with the opportunity to influence the debate. Now is the best time for you to lobby your MP and ask them to put agriculture at the heart of the Bill. The NFU is here to help you.

An **email your MP toolkit** is available **HERE** to help you get in touch with your MP to highlight the key asks the farming industry has for the Agriculture Bill.

During turbulent political times it is vital that the NFU continues to promote the importance of food and farming to the national economy. The Agriculture Bill impacts all farmers' futures and is a real once-in-a-generation opportunity to influence the future policy of government.

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