

APPENDIX 1

CHECKLIST Key Decision Making

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STEP 1: BEFORE YOU START **Your notes:**

- Define your vision
- Farm experience
- Business Plan
- Financial position
- Decision making tools

STEP 2 - EXPLORING LAND TENURE MODELS

- Research options
- Match to business plan
- Discuss with mentors
- Research agreements
- Complete 'Assessing land for farming worksheet'

STEP 3 - HOW TO EVALUATE LAND

- Research criteria to assess
- Download assessment checklist
- Conduct on site visits
- Speak to neighbours & visit the community
- Where will you live?

STEP 4 - PEOPLE & RELATIONSHIPS

- Understand your goals
- Consider landholders context
- Design some hypotheticals
- Where will you compromise?
- Communicate clearly
- Speak to mentors & friends

STEP 5 - FINAL STEPS

- Advertise to your networks
- Research Land Mgt Plans
- Consider risk assessment
- Get legal & financial advice
- Research Grants

STEP 6 - DURING YOUR LAND TENURE

- Have regular meetings
- Design process for monitoring & measuring your impact
- Keep communication open
- Review & embed learnings into future plans
