

AGRICULTURE AND FOOD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

# Facilitation & Mediation Farm Succession Conversations 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021



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# Interdependent Relationships Communication is an ongoing process.













Case 2. Succession planning conversations





## **Communication Iceberg**





Try asking open questions Not a Yes or No answer

- How would you describe...the current situation
- Identify your hopes / fears now & into the future
- What are your expectations / assumptions
- What type of an exit/entry strategy is proposed / planned.
- Could you visualise the ideal outcome / a future image.



Case 3. Succession planning conversations





#### The dreaded D's

Debt

Drugs

Dividing Fair  $\neq$  Equal

**Discuss Prenuptial Agreement** 

Divorce

Dementia

Don't blame, don't shame

Death



## Agenda for discussion

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# Míle Guíochas Thank you





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