



MEDIA RELEASE

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LEAF's Chief Executive awarded an Honorary Doctorate

Caroline Drummond, Chief Executive of LEAF (Linking Environment And Farming) will receive an honorary doctorate from Harper Adams University in recognition of her work to combine modern farming with conservation and in engaging the public in farming matters.

Caroline has worked for LEAF since it was established in 1991 and was recognised for her contribution to the farming industry as a Pioneer for the Life of the Nation by Her Majesty the Queen. In 2009, she was awarded an MBE for services to the agricultural industry. Caroline also sits on a number of government and independent committees and is actively involved in many industry partnerships.

On receiving her honorary doctorate, Caroline said: "I am hugely privileged and honoured to be recognised in this way. Harper Adams University has a long tradition of inspiring young people to make a difference. Our work at LEAF is about working towards a sustainable agricultural industry where the hopes, dreams and aspirations of the next generation of farmers can be realised. It is important to stress that this degree recognises the high calibre of staff at LEAF, who work hard to support our members and help to make my job possible."

Caroline will be presented with her honorary doctorate at the Harper Adams Graduation Ceremony at 2.30pm on Friday 20th September. Other awards are being made to Stephen Woodgate, Professor Sir John Beddington and the Duke of Westminster.

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Notes to Editors

LEAF is the leading organisation delivering sustainable food and farming. It works with farmers, the food industry, scientists and consumers to inspire and enable sustainable

farming that is prosperous, enriches the environment and engages local communities. For more information, visit www.leafuk.org

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