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PRESTIGIOUS AWARD NOMINATION PROVIDES NATIONAL MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG FARMERS

The Horned Beef Company Ltd has been shortlisted for the British Farming Awards 2017

The British Farming Awards category, Against the Odds, celebrates the achievements of those farmers doing something different in agriculture.

Husband and wife team David and Bekka Corrie-Close are not from a farming background. Their passion for improving nature in the great British countryside, led them into a career in agriculture.

The Horned Beef Company's herd of native cattle and "Farming with Nature" ethos, is attracting a lot of attention from the public and the media.

BBC Countryfile filmed the young couple earlier this month. Adam Henson was keen to tell the story of how David and Bekka currently operate their business without a traditional farmstead.

The Countryfile episode will broadcast later this year and will feature David and Bekka looking after their animals in "farming's forgotten places".



The British Farming Awards ceremony will take place on 19 October 2017 at the National Conference Centre in Birmingham. David and Bekka's business, The Horned Beef Company, is one of five finalists for the award. The BBC will cover the awards in a programme to be shown in January 2018.

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1. The Horned Beef Company Ltd was incorporated in 2015. It is run from its base in Lindale, near Grange-over-Sands in South Cumbria.

2. The Company's farm holding extends to over 1000

acres. Landlords include The National Trust, RSPB and Cumbria Wildlife Trust, as well as other private individuals.

3. The Company provides a grazing service to these conservation organisations. The organisations require

sensitive management of sites that are managed for biodiversity, water quality, flood alleviation and other ecosystem services. Some sites are designated SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) and SAC (Special Area of Conservation).

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