# Openfield

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#### **About Us**



Openfield markets 4.5m tonnes of grain per annum. This is 20% of UK grain market. This activity generates over 70% of our income.



Openfield handles 1.1m tonnes of grain through its network of central stores. Openfield has 18 stores within the network all across the UK.



Openfield sells 200,000 tonnes fertiliser and is a key distributor for GrowHow.



Openfield processes 25,000 tonnes of seed and owns the UK's most modern seed plant.

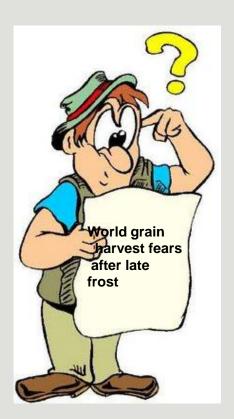
#### About Us.

- Openfield turned over £700m last year
- Openfield generated a profit of £2.6m for 2012
- Openfield works with over 7000 farmers
- Openfield has 28 of its own vehicles.
   We move on average 450 loads of grain each day outside of harvest.



#### The challenges for UK grain producers.

- Price volatility in an unprotected market
- Interpretation of global grain events
- Meeting increased customer expectations
- The influence of the media & NGO's
- Being more than just a price taker



#### Need to be close to the consumer: Brands











Sainsbury's

#### What does the consumer want?

# Waitrose







**Security of supply** 



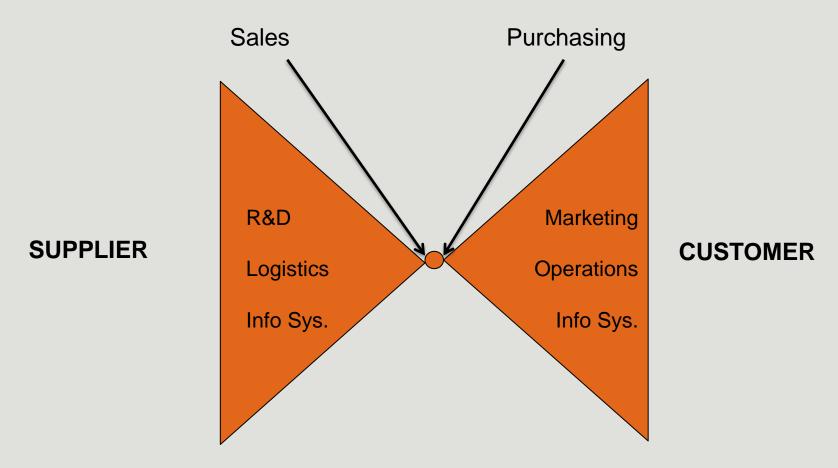
Provenance (UK)



**Traceability** 

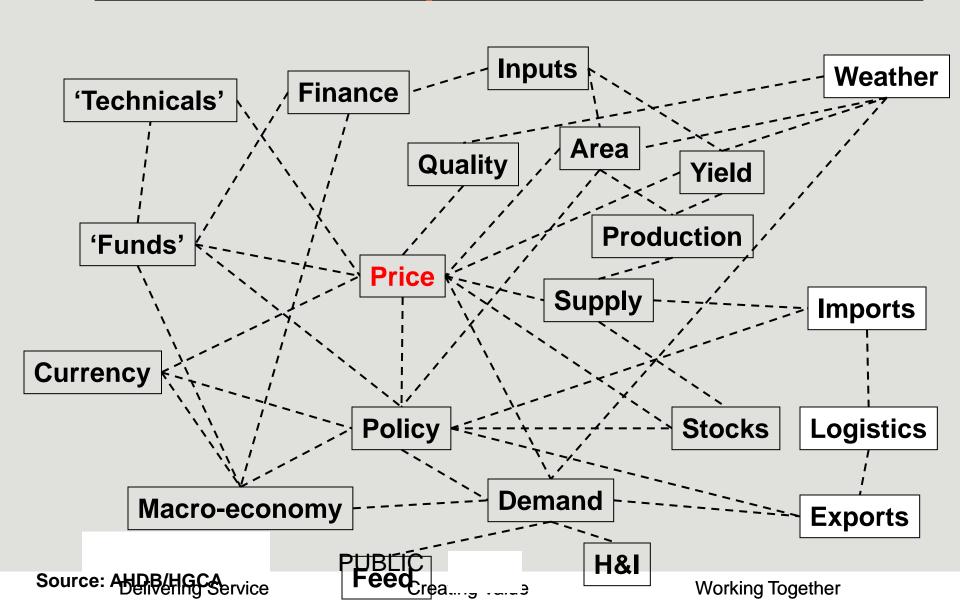


#### Traditional approach – arms length

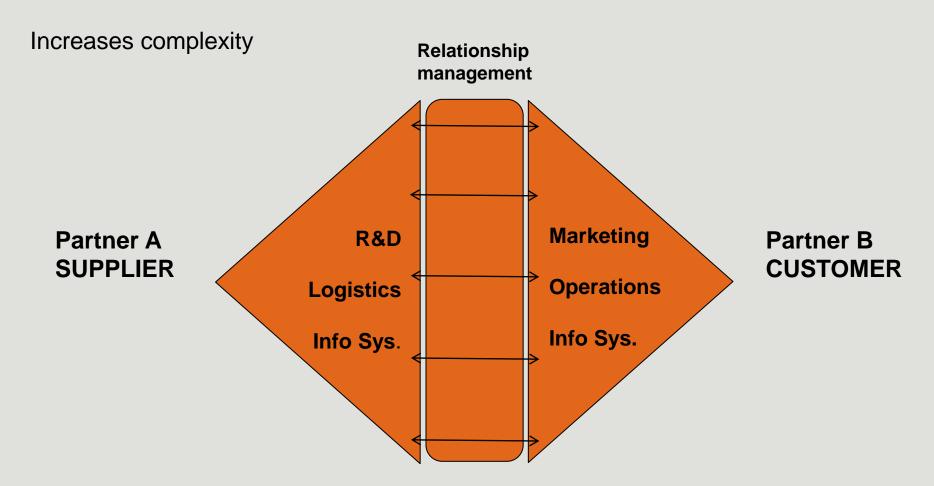


Relationship is based on 1:1 and is "fragile"

# What drives the price?

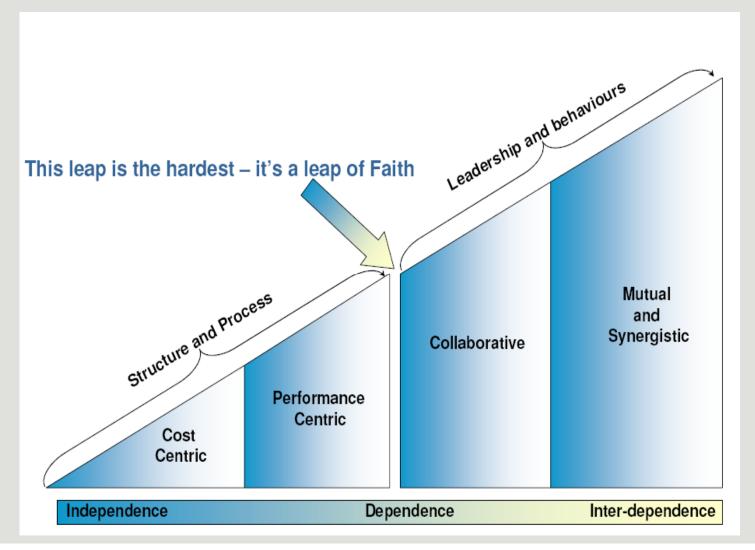


#### Partnership approach – increased linkages

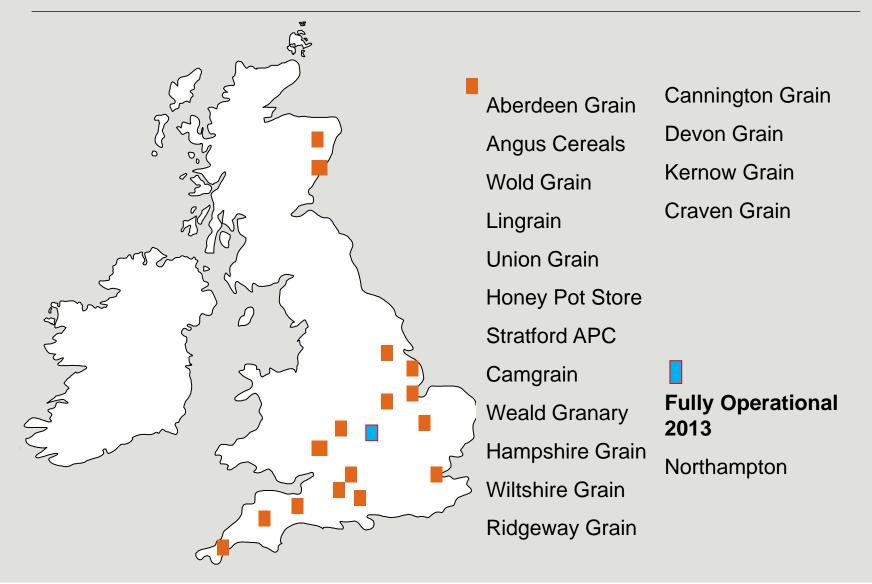


Relationships are broad, business based and strong

# Collaboration -'The Leap of Faith'



#### **OpenfieldNetwork: Now 1.1 million tonnes**



#### Transition from grain store to food factory















# **Angus Cereals (Montrose Port): November 2010**



# **Angus Cereals July 2012**



**Openfield**<sub>m</sub>

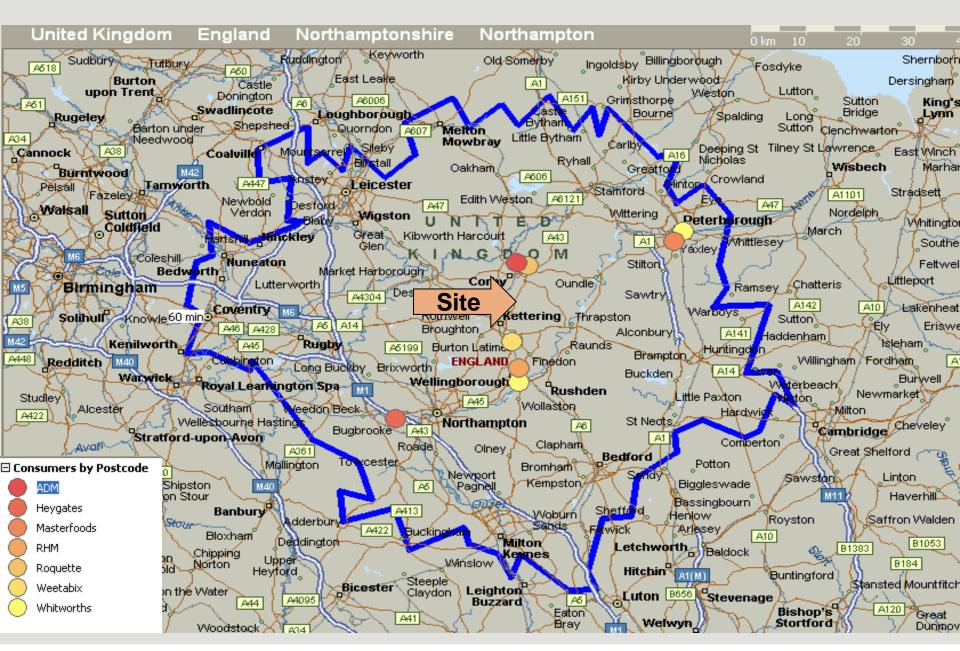
# Solving the Problem – Drying and Intake Capacities: Scottish Malting Barley

Key Areas	Other Intakes	AGS & ACL
Intake Capacity/Hour	50-200tph	+850tph
Intake Hours/Day	9 hours max	24 hours (as required)
MB Drying Capacity/Hour	20-50tph (1200t/day)	185tph (4500t/day)
Days per week operating	5-6 (very few 7 days)	7
Guaranteed Uplift	no	Up to 3 days
Full transparency on intake tonnage/spec	no	yes - immediate

### **Northamptonshire Site: May 2009**



#### Openfield... Site located to deliver maximum supply chain efficiencies



**Delivering Service** 

**Creating Value** 

Working Together

## **Northamptonshire Site: September 2013**



#### Where Openfield Wheat is Going?



For the In store
Bakery Flour
Camgrain have been
able to maintain their
deliveries to
Whitworth during the
exceptional 2012
harvest conditions.

The most robust supply chain supplying UK wheat to the UK miller

Whitworth Bros. Ltd.

#### Sainsbury's In Store Bakery flour

#### 2006

350 bakeries

2.5 million bags of flour per annum

4 millers supplying

7 mills using local wheat

Variable flour quality

Inefficient supply process



#### **Today**

469 in store bakeries

3.6 million bags of flour per

annum

1 miller supplying

Produced on one mill

One wheat supplier via central

store

Consistent quality flour

Efficient supply chain process

