

L & A E Munns

Awarded £35,262 under Measure 312- Support for Micro-enterprises

The Fens Adventurers were very pleased to be able to support Chatteris farmer George Munns with the expansion of his rapeseed oil business. Initially diversifying into rearing geese for the Christmas market, George soon discovered demand for the goose fat, and began stocking a number of delicatessens and butchers across Cambridgeshire. The farm was also producing Munns Rapeseed Oil with great success – containing half the fat of olive oil and twice as much Omega 3 and 6.



By 2010 George had reached a crucial point where the hand bottling, labelling and packing of the products was failing to keep up with demand from the 300 plus outlets he supplies. With the support of the Fens Adventurers George was able to construct a new processing and packing facility on the farm, and purchase specialised equipment for labelling and bottling. This new investment will enable the business to really move forward and continue to expand on a sound footing, and create a new part-time position. George has already begun to expand the Munns product range and now produces Golden Syrup alongside the Goose Fat and Rapeseed Oil.

George said, “The whole application process was not nearly as daunting as I initially thought it would be. This was helped to a large extent by the enthusiasm and helpful attitude of the FARDP team. They all seemed very keen that my application for funding should succeed. My sincere thanks go to them all.” www.laemunns.com



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