



Thakeham Farm - May 2018

The Monaghan Group confirms that it is reducing some of its mushroom production from a specific proportion of our tray facilities at Thakeham site.

However, at the same time we are:-

- Increasing throughput on another area of the site.
- Converting a significant proportion of our production from conventional to organic.
- Reducing production tray height from 4 high to 3 high to assist harvesting.
- Introducing the production of exotic mushrooms to the site.

Whilst any reduction in output is always regrettable, the decision to reduce some of our highest cost volume and concentrate on the farms areas of strength is very positive for the long-term viability and overall sustainability of this site.

Monaghan Mushrooms remains totally committed to the Thakeham site and immediate short-term, £300k - £400k, investment plans include:-

- A new lamella separation plant
- The front entrance
- A mushroom intake facility and packaging store for the Packhouse
- Re-furbishment of the prepared facility following a machinery refit late in 2017

We also remain committed to working together with our local residents to ensure both they and ourselves can happily co-exist.

John Clelland
General Manager
3rd May 2018