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I am heavily involved in the farming industry and the local farming community. It is vital that an effective service continues to be provided to control the population of the fox, as our area is very heavily stocked with sheep and wildlife.

As a named gun with the Buccleuch Foxhounds, it is essential to flush with a full pack due to the vast area and density of the covers that we flush, thus making it quick and effective.

We are instructed at the meet, the order in which covers are to be flushed. This enables the guns to be in front and in position, to provide the control, and to proceed in a correct, safe and lawful manner.

Yours faithfully,

A Black