## WVYFC GUIDELINES FOR CLUB LEADERS

- 1. Ensure the Club is being run to provide wider opportunities and broader horizons for all members. The Club may be achieving these without assistance. That is not the time for complacency but for maximum vigilance.
- 2. Choose the style of leadership which suites you and your Club.
- 3. Train Club Officers to ensure they are as effective as possible.
- 4. Understand the functions of leadership, particularly in a democratic organisation.
- 5. Know what and where you are leading, the history, the ideals of the modern YFC movement. Read NFYFC's publications and attend Leaders' discussion groups.
- 6. Know how the Young Farmers' Movement relates to the agricultural industry, to the Youth Service, to local community life and to urban members.
- 7. Understanding young people and particularly any special needs; e.g. for school and junior members.
- 8. Train for the skills of leadership through National and County Federations and through the Local Youth Service.
- 9. Be aware of the strengths and limitations of yourself and of others.
- 10. Keep in touch with parents, with senior members and with your County Organiser.
- 11. Be a counsellor to your members without being patronising.
- 12. A YFC Leaders 10 Commandments (Source acknowledged but unknown)

Be cheerful at all times. **Be silent most of the time** but when you do speak let it be heard. Be sincere. Be a driver (without letting it be known to the member). Be kindly but firm. Apply common sense. Know quite a lot but not say so. Be a doorway leading to other things, even if some members escape through the door in the process. Lift thy head occasionally to see where thou art going. Thou shalt do no murder (but will probably feel like it most of the time).

HAPPY LEADERSHIP.