

Grants & Schemes

Scheme	Administered by	Aims	Application Window
Agriculture			
Sustainable Farming Incentive	DEFRA and RPA	23 "actions" available to enhance income, productivity and the environment.	Applications open from 18 September 2023
Countryside Stewardship	RPA, DEFRA and Natural England	8 themes aimed at protecting and enhancing the natural environment.	Applications open all year from 5 January 2023
Countryside Stewardship Capital Grants Schemes	RPA	70 grant options available to support boundaries, trees and orchards, water quality, air quality and natural flood management.	Applications open all year from 5 January 2023
FIPL (Farming in Protected Landscapes)	DEFRA	Available for farmers located in protected landscapes or National Landscapes formally known as an AONB.	Open now until March 2025
Improving Farm Productivity Grant	DEFRA	Funding for robotic and automatic machinery and the use of solar equipment.	Applications are expected to run from January-March 2024
Natural Flood Management	Environment Agency and DEFRA	Reduce local flood risk, provide wider benefits to the environment, nature and society.	Round 1 now closed. New window expected to open in 2024
Adding Value	RPA	Supporting processing of Agricultural produce.	Round 1 now closed. New window expected to open in 2024
Water Management	RPA	Improve productivity, water sustainability and the environment.	Round 2 now closed. New window expected to open in 2024
Livestock			
Annual Animal Health and Welfare Review	DEFRA and RPA	Annual vet checks to improve animal health and welfare.	Applications opened in September 2022 and will be available until September 2025 before review
Calf Housing for Health and Welfare	RPA on behalf of DEFRA	Improve health and welfare of calves by building new or improving housing.	Open from 7 September 2023 until 30 November 2023. 2024 scheme TBC
Slurry Infrastructure	RPA	To improve or expand slurry storage capacity and to cover stores.	Applications now open; will close on 17 January 2024
Farming Equipment and Technology Fund	RPA on behalf of DEFRA	Technology that supports improvements in productivity of slurry management and animal health and welfare.	Applications for 2023 now closed. New window expected in 2024
Forestry			
The Natural Environment Investment Readiness Fund (NEIRF)	Environment Agency	To support carbon capture, biodiversity uplift, water quality, natural flood management and other ecosystem services via activities like woodland creation or peatland restoration.	Applications are open and close on 16 February 2024
Woodland Creation Planting Grant (WCPG)	Forestry commission	Provides funding to prepare a woodland creation design plan which is UK forestry standard.	Applications are available all year round
England Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO)	Forestry commission	Create woodlands to help mitigate climate change, deliver nature recovery and provide wider environmental and social benefits.	Applications are available all year round
Woodland tree health grant	RPA	For restoration and improvement of trees which have been damaged by disease.	Applications open all year from 5 Janauary 2023
Woodland Carbon Code (WCC)	Forestry commission	Ability for land owners to sell the carbon sequested in the woodland, in the form of woodland carbon units.	Applications are available all year round
Local Authority Treescapes Fund	Forestry commission	Restore tree cover in non-woodland areas which may have been impacted by disease, habitat degradation or ageing tree stock.	Applications open on 8 February 2023 and close on 8 February 2024
Woodland Management Plan Grant (Countryside Stewardship)	RPA, DEFRA, Forestry Comission and Natural England	A one-off payment to create a UK Forestry Standard (UKFS) compliant 10 year WMP.	Applications are avialable from 05 January 2023 all year round