

Transparency of Funding



EAST DEVON
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty



Department
for Environment
Food & Rural Affairs

Business name	Village	FiPL grant awarded	Total project cost	Project start date	Project end date	Project Summary
A F Willmington Contracting Ltd	Branscombe	£3,867.50	£3,867.50	01/02/2022	30/03/2023	<p>To carry out 265 metres of Hedgelaying and associated fencing,</p> <p>By laying the hedge the landscape feature will be preserved and its biodiversity interest enhanced and the quality of it as a connection between habitats will be enhanced.</p> <p>We will leave all mature trees in the hedgerow and leave any potential hedgerow trees to develop as future recruits.</p> <p>The hedge is beside a minor road so these works will be publicly accessible visually.</p> <p>There is an opportunity to tackle some invasive scrub which will encroach on any grassland interest within the field.</p>
Berry & Son	Colyton	£4,960	£4,960	01/02/2022	30/03/2024	<p>To carry out 208 metres of Hedgelaying and associated fencing,</p> <p>By laying the hedge the landscape feature will be preserved and its biodiversity interest enhanced and the quality of it as a connection between habitats will be improved.</p> <p>We will leave any viable future hedgerow trees to develop as future recruits.</p>

Blackley Down Farm	Farway	£ 3,186	£ 3,186	01/11/2021	31/03/2023	The Objective of the project is to restore an area of neglected spring line mire habitat and maintain an area of unimproved grassland to preserve biodiversity, both through scrub clearance followed by grazing with native breed cattle.
C H & P C Corbett LTD	Musbury	£4,795.75	£9,095.75	01/02/2022	31/03/2022	<p>The Triple Axe pilot project is trialling a new farm advice model, which integrates environmental, regulatory, agronomy, livestock and business advice. Farmers often receive disjointed or conflicting specialist advice and have the challenge to decide which advice to follow.</p> <p>Environmental and regulatory advice does not go far enough to assess the impacts on the farm business (e.g. the need to build a new slurry store or taking priority habitats out of production), whilst business advice often pushes for specialisation and yields where environmental issues are not costed in.</p> <p>Specialist advisers will be brought together on this farm to carry out a feasibility study and come up with a holistic Farm Transformation Plan to go beyond compliance and deliver water, air, climate and nature improvements, while remaining financially viable without BPS subsidies.</p>
East Devon AONB	Sidmouth	£3,753	£33,753	01/02/2022	31/03/2023	To provide AONB farmers with the opportunity to learn more about regenerative farming. This will be achieved by farm visits to early adopters of these principles and guest speakers.

						At least 28 farms will be more aware of regenerative farming practices and more able to overcome potential barriers to adopting these approaches on their holding.
Farwood Barton Partnership Ltd	Northleigh	£2,067	£2,067	01/02/2022	30/03/2022	<p>To carry out 180 metres of Hedgelaying.</p> <p>By laying the hedge the landscape feature will be preserved and its biodiversity interest enhanced and the quality of it as a connection between habitats will be enhanced.</p> <p>We will leave any viable future hedgerow trees to develop as future recruits.</p>
Great Trill Farm	Musbury	£4,687	£8,066	01/10/2021	31/03/2022	<p>To reintroduce farmland trees within fields. The result will be a landscape that is more traditional and attractive. The trees within fields will contribute to the diversity of available habitats for wildlife and create interconnectivity between them. The trees in themselves will sequester carbon and their canopy and root structure will contribute to reducing flood risk and soil erosion.</p> <p>To erect bird boxes across the farm with the aim of increasing the number of birds that successfully raise their broods and so over time to increase the number of birds present.</p>
Greenhayes Developments	Shute	£3,041	£3,041	1/4/22	31/10/2023	To create new 0.18Ha traditional variety orchard to include 18 fruit trees with individual protection and 180 m of sheep fencing with 2 x 12ft wooden field gates and restore a pond.

						<p>To carry out a botanical survey of six fields on the holding to identify species rich areas and less rich areas.</p> <p>Use species rich areas to collect seed/green hay to spread on less rich areas to botanically enrich the grass swards on the holding.</p>
Idehill Farm	Farway	£ 16,974.70	£ 16,974.70	01/01/2022	01/04/2023	<p>To lay a long roadside hedge which is currently neglected and provides little to no cover for birds or mammals to create a thick stock proof hedge which in turn provides nesting sites for both birds and small mammals.</p> <p>To reinstate an historic orchard by planting heritage fruit trees and protect them from deer and stock damage. This will provide a good supply of food for pollinators and attract other insects, which will provide food for the resident bat species and hopefully encourage new bats to the area.</p> <p>To install owl boxes in three places on the farm to provide nesting sites for the resident Tawny owls and to encourage barn owls, which are in the valley, to nest on the farm.</p> <p>To install a series of Dormouse boxes within an existing Hazel hedgerow.</p>
J S Bird & Son	Shute	£4781.75	£9081.75	01/02/2022	31/03/2022	<p>The Triple Axe pilot project is trialling a new farm advice model, which integrates environmental, regulatory, agronomy, livestock and business advice.</p>

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J W Voysey and Son	Colyton	£4,798.25	£9,098.25	01/02/2022	31/03/2022	<p>The Triple Axe pilot project is trialling a new farm advice model, which integrates environmental, regulatory, agronomy, livestock and business advice. Farmers often receive disjointed or conflicting specialist advice and have the challenge to decide which advice to follow.</p> <p>Environmental and regulatory advice does not go far enough to assess the impacts on the farm business (e.g. the need to build a new slurry store or taking priority habitats out of production), whilst business advice often pushes for specialisation and yields where environmental issues are not costed in.</p>

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Loud Partners	Farway	£9,587	£9,587	01/02/2022	14/03/2024	To provide 2.13 km of permissive paths on our farm, using 2 in 1 gates, to ensure access to as many people as possible. The 3 sections of path link up to the Rights of Way network and provide access to interesting habitats on the farm and some superb views across the valley. The path passes through a traditional orchard where we will plant some additional fruit trees.
Loud Partners	Farway	£2,162	£2,162	01/02/2022	31/03/2022	To carry out 230 metres of hedge laying. By laying the hedge the landscape feature will be preserved and its biodiversity interest enhanced and the quality of it as a connection between habitats will be enhanced.
National Trust	Branscombe	£ 31,242.46	£ 42,058.78	01/11/2021	31/03/2024	Create, enhance, and restore 7.3 hectares of important habitats and set firm building blocks for a mixed, low intensity agricultural system, in which wildlife flourishes alongside farming. The project sets out to create a more biodiverse farmed landscape and be exemplar in wildlife friendly farming techniques.
P, IW and AP Westlake	Salcombe Regis	£16,521.72	£30,063.03	1/4/22	31/3/24	Plant 0.6ha wildflower margins to improve biodiversity and 4.56 ha of herbal leys to support soil structure and improve biodiversity.

						<p>Lay 400m hedgerow laying and fill in gaps to improve existing habitat.</p> <p>Hold a programme of events and volunteering sessions for local people.</p> <p>Organise educational visits and guided walks.</p> <p>A secure dog walking field creating additional income from unproductive land.</p> <p>Create a pop-up campsite (under permissive development regulations) creating additional income from the land.</p> <p>Develop an online presence to showcase the farm and support the diversification projects.</p>
Rose Coombe Farm	Combepyne and Rousdon	£8,449.76	£8,529.76	01/01/2022	15/03/2024	Improve and maintain unimproved species rich grassland, removal of invasive bramble decreasing the area of quality habitat and to introduce a conservation grazing regime to manage the meadow in the long term.
RSPB	Aylesbeare	£17,050	£17,050	01/02/2022	31/03/2022	To purchase a flail mower collector to be used across east Devon AONB high nature value sites, to mow, collect and remove biomass.
The Cornwall College Group (Bicton College)	East Budleigh and Bicton	£ 4,990	£ 5,770	01/11/2021	31/01/2022	To bring back into active management, areas of semi-improved permanent grassland that have fallen out of the grazing rotation.

						<p>Whilst the primary objective for the site is the utilisation for educational purposes, the project will also significantly enhance the habitat's value for biodiversity, improve opportunities for carbon sequestration, further integrate the farm business into delivering conservation 'public goods' and improve the landscape character value of the site.</p>
Trill on the Hill	Musbury	£ 28,315	£ 39,447.92	01/11/2021	31/05/2022	<p>Trill on the Hill is a special place, both for nature and for people. Never intensively farmed, it is a haven for wildlife, but has been somewhat neglected in recent years. We intend to restore and improve biodiversity across the site, whilst inviting people to experience and connect with nature in our wild and beautiful landscape.</p> <p>Previously part of a larger farm, Trill on the Hill currently has no infrastructure to support conservation grazing or public engagement, and this project seeks to provide both, whilst maintaining the balance towards the nature interests.</p> <p>We are keen to provide opportunities for a wide range of people to enjoy the site and propose to offer free places to join the activities.</p>