

Camping, Glamping and *Farming in Protected Landscapes* in the North Pennines AONB

Advice for applicants

We welcome applications for projects which will give people an opportunity to engage with nature and culture in our farmed landscape, and that can include through camping and glamping experiences.

To secure funding through the programme, it isn't sufficient to simply provide an opportunity for people to stay in the area. The degree to which applications will be supported (including the intervention rate offered) will depend on a number of factors, and this will need to be evidenced rather than simply an aspiration:

- The extent to which the camping/glamping operation allows people to make a meaningful connection with our natural and cultural heritage (either through things which you provide as part of the application or through existing and previous work of you and/or others).
- The degree to which the glamping/camping operation actively encourages and facilitates use by those from disadvantaged or under-represented sectors in society (either through things which you provide as part of the application or through existing and previous work of you and/or others).
- The degree to which the operation fits within the landscape and with other aspirations in our management plan
<https://www.northpennines.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/MPlan-220719-webres.pdf>
- The degree to which the proposed or expanded operation has local support

Camping and the 42-day rule

We can support applications relating to permanent facilities (for camping or glamping, subject to planning permission being in place, or for temporary camping under the 42-day rule (or fewer than 60 days in any 12-month period).

The permitted development right to use land as a campsite for 42 days falls under national planning regulations, that includes all National Parks, AONB's and other protected areas.

What might be funded through the FiPL Programme

Eligible projects might include infrastructure (e.g. access, toilets, outdoor kitchen, washing facilities, tree and shrub planting and pond creation which enhances the site for nature and people, etc.) either to support camping under the 42-day rule or to support longer-term glamping or camping operations. Funding could also pay towards glamping units themselves.

We will not fund large scale developments. Projects involving a maximum of 5 glamping units and up to 20 tents will be considered.

Planning Permission

We will not fund work which is the subject of as-yet-unsecured planning permission.

Planning permission is required for all permanent infrastructure, whether for permanent sites or to support temporary camping. Please read our planning and building guidance before application or enquiry.

<https://www.northpennines.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/North-Pennines-AONB-Planning-Guidelines.pdf>

<https://www.northpennines.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/North-Pennines-AONB-Building-Design-Guide.pdf>