

Transparency of funding

Farming in Protected Landscapes, North Pennines National Landscape

2025/2026 Financial Year

<i>25/26 Under £10k</i>						
Business name	Town	FiPI grant award, £	Total project cost, £	Project start date	Project end date	Description, outputs
Carbon Calling CIC	Uffington	£7,768.80	£7,768.80	23/06/2025	27/02/2027	Support towards the cost of setting up the audio-visual equipment in a farm shed for two days of the Carbon Calling Conference. Carbon Calling recording and audio, editing and uploading on to website, Youtube channel and social media
North Pennines National Landscape	Stanhope	£10,000.00	£10,000.00	02/07/2025	27/02/2026	Provision of services of an Architect Accredited in Building Conservation (ABC) to assist with the initial assessment of selected heritage structures within the North Pennines, to assist the FiPL panel in deciding whether to invite the potential applicant to come forward with an application.
Farmer Network	Penrith	£9,900.00	£9,900.00	03/07/2025	27/02/2026	Events will be run in response to information from DEFRA on new schemes and opportunities from any new details about ELMS schemes that are relevant for farmers in this area and help them adapt to the loss of

						BPS payments. This is particularly relevant for farmers in HLS schemes and those who do not have SFI or CS agreements and cannot access ELMS at the moment.
Langton Farm Partnership	Barnard Castle	£10,150.75	£16,248.31	11/09/2025	27/02/2026	Planting 282 metres of silvopasture and implement a rotational grazing system using electric fencing and moveable water system. Protect 140 number of in field trees and add an owl box.
JM & EM Neve	Brampton	£9,894.92	£9,894.92	18/07/2025	27/02/2026	Planting a new 280m hedgerow and plant scrub/trees which will strengthen and enhance the connectivity across the farm.
Williamstone Estate	Brampton	£6,134.60	£6,134.60	28/08/2025	27/02/2026	Restoration work on Blackley House, Williamston farm to support the introduction of a small herd of native cattle. The aim of this is to provide necessary shelter for the cattle when required. The introduction of cattle will improve the biodiversity within the pasture around this building which will in turn support conservation of endangered wader birds, specifically Curlew. The 180m of wide hedgerow is to provide diversity to the edge of an existing woodland.
Dufton Wood Farm	Dufton	£9,801.00	£9,801.00	13/08/2025	27/02/2026	Hosting educational visits for disabled and disadvantaged people around farm through nature and animal petting experiences.

Bishop Oak Farm	Wolsingham	£7,405.37	£7,405.37	09/08/2025	27/02/2026	Planting a traditional orchard including heritage fruit tree varieties and a windbreak of cherry plum trees and planting 67m of hedgerow with a mixture of native species.
N & T Kristensen	Hexham	£9,800.00	£24,500.00	17/09/2025	27/02/2026	Purchase of a machine to allow continued restoration of hay meadows through green hay cutting and collecting.
Ullswater Catchment CIC	Newbiggin	£4,764.00	£4,764.00	10/10/2025	27/02/2026	Feasibility and optioneering of River restoration project on Newbiggin Beck. To take the project to the point of delivery.
Hudgill Rigg Farm	Alston	£5,673.78	£5,673.78	14/11/2025	27/02/2026	Sensitive tree planting and rush control for breeding waders at Hudgill Rigg Farm
Low Huntwell	Allendale	£3,012.80	£3,012.80	22/10/2025	27/02/2026	Low Huntwell wood pasture trees. Planting 30 trees in cactus tree guards in order to provide the next generation of trees in a parcel of existing wood pasture and along the same slope in an area of grassland on an adjoining parcel.
New Nenthall Farm	Nenthall	£9,368.88	£9,368.88	11/11/2025	27/02/2026	Planting 450 trees in a mix of different sized metal and wooden cages. Experimental use of 5 deer enclosure plots for natural regeneration.
Waterside Farm	West Blackdene	£8,354.92	£8,354.92	15/11/2025	27/02/2026	Water Side Farm improvements- creating scrapes and hedgerow works. Planting a total of 160m native hedgerow behind a 160m of fencing to protect it. Creating two scrapes for wet habitats and planting trees.

						Install self-closing pedestrian gate.
TT & JE Mason	Gamblesby	£9,364.85	£9,364.85	05/01/2026	27/02/2026	Creation of scrubby beck margins to improve water quality and create black grouse habitat
Alston Moor Golf Club	Alston	£5,115.47	£5,115.47	17/12/2025	27/02/2026	Alston Moor Golf Club Lower Course Woodland Management Plant 625 new trees & shrubs in 1.2m tubes- lower course Create 23 wooden cages (1.8 x 1.8m) to protect trees. Plant 100 new trees & shrubs in 1.2m tubes- upper course Remove 1750 plastic guards from the old course and recycle.
Beverely Ridley	Alston	£7,952.22	£7,952.22	29/11/2025	27/02/2026	Habitat creation with scrapes, fencing off stream for tree planting
Michael Harding	Allendale	£8,545.00	£8,545.00	09/12/2025	27/02/2026	Stage 1 project to Repair of Smithy, Wheel and Mill at High Frost Hall
Raby Estates	Staindrop	£8,542.50	£17,085.00	12/01/2026	30/03/2026	Wheysike stage 1 restoration, Full structural survey and start of tender process to lead to restoration of Wheysike former farmstead into bunkhouse accommodation
P&A Stembridge	Allendale	£5,840.67	£5,840.67	06/01/2026	27/02/2026	Extension planting to ancient broadleaf woodland with site grown Sessile Oak & bought in Hawthorn, Guelder Rose, Alder, Goat Willow, Hazel. All plants to be protected with guards & stakes Install fencing to protect regeneration of

						woodland- 568 metres With difficult access on steep slope above R. East Allen, very wet land with no vehicle access for 342 meters of the new fence line
R Stanton	Edmundbyers	£3,010.03	£3,010.03	19/01/2026	27/02/2026	Woodland habitat creation, shelter belts and reduction of run off at West Cot Farm.
Helbeck Enterprises	Middleton-in-Teesdale	£4,125.00	£4,125.00	08/01/2026	27/02/2026	High Helbeck Willow Restoration and Creation Project "Willow cutting and direct 'pegging' of willow stems, comprised of 6 days contractor labour to target areas of the site where willow scrub is limited or absent, and improve riparian habitats. Selective cutting and propagation of three rarer willows present in unique habitat on site (eared, dark-leaved and creeping) by a local tree nursery, to create stock that can be reintroduced in order to expand the extent of this rare and diverse habitat."
Far Pasture Farm	Ninebanks	£5,790.08	£5,790.08	06/01/2026	30/03/2026	Planting a native hedgerow to connect established hedging and ancient dry stone wall at Far Pasture Farm.
Lisa Gill	West Blackdene	£3,686.77	£3,686.77	04/02/2026	27/02/2026	Habitat improvement and restoration at Oak Tree House- plant 128 trees, 52metres of native hedgerow and install an owl box.

Laura Lindsey	Steel	£3,521.49	£3,521.49	19/01/2026	27/02/2026	Habitat creation at East Stobby Lea
Allen Valley Red Squirrels	Allendale	£9,846.63	£9,846.63	13/02/2026	27/02/2026	This project will allow the group to expand the camera monitoring network by installing 35 new cameras and providing 4 laptops to be used by volunteers to monitor cameras, feeding into live database for the group to act upon. Software licences for camera system.
High Oustley Farm		£2,015.12	£2,015.12	16/02/2026		Grazing management improvement at High Oustley Farm -This initial project will set the farm up in a suitable grazing management plan, Electric fencing package, Grazing management plan provision, Fencing of existing trees Water trough

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William Love Ltd	Bishop Auckland	£10,655.71	£10,655.71	18/06/2025	27/02/2026	To replant a 0.68ha former conifer plantation with a range of native broadleaved tree species. Create a series of scrapes to provide alternative habitats for wildlife.
Nenthead Mines Conservation Society	Nenthead	£22,348.56	£23,348.56	19/06/2025	27/02/2026	Historic building conservation - Assay House building at Nenthead Mines, This historic building conservation project will supply and fit a total of 6 replacement windows thus helping secure the fabric, energy efficiency and future utility of the Assay House at Nenthead Mines.
Bowlees Farm 3	Bowlees	£47,235.62	£48,502.62	05/06/2025	27/02/2026	Bowlees Education Pack - Education facilities at the farm will be enhanced by creating a fully accessible path from the farm classroom to a new nature garden, and the farm will build on previous projects and deliver 100 more education group visits. The project will also help manage the conflict between the public and livestock by creating a physical barrier between the footpath and agricultural land, between Bowlees Visitor Centre and Low Force.
Teesdale Special Flora	Egglestone	£34,857.00	£40,007.00	17/06/2025	27/02/2026	Detailed mapping of rare species in Upper Teesdale and training/mentoring of an Assistant

						Surveyor to expand the capacity for this work.
Country Trust	Chelmsford	£37,593.46	£37,593.46	23/06/2025	27/02/2026	Educational farm visits for disadvantaged children with The Country Trust. To work with farmers in the North Pennines National Landscape to provide 29 inspiring, hands-on day visits to their farms for approximately 750 children, and in some cases family members too, from disadvantaged communities in and around the National Landscape.
Raby Estates	Bowlees	£43,929.60	£54,912.00	16/07/2025	27/02/2026	Restoration of a derelict and unstable barn which will see the building returned to the farm tenancy at Bowlees farm. It will be available for farming practices / storage of feed / shelter and even form part of the education package already offered at Bowlees farm.
Low Park Farm	Alston	£112,424.85	£157,424.85	30/07/2025	27/02/2026	Repair of the Bastle, including renewal of timber roof structure, some slate roof, stonework and masonry repairs, repointing and deep tamping, new windows, building of stone steps, new joists and floorboards. For use of local groups, heritage open days as well as storage.

North Pennines National Landscape/ Allendale Estates	Stanhope/Allendale	£26,085.75	£26,085.75	14/07/2025	27/02/2026	To consolidate and repair Flow Moss chimney which is in danger of imminent collapse.
North Pennines National Landscape/Raby Estates	Stanhope/Newbiggin	£45,090.64	£56,363.30	07/08/2025	27/02/2026	Scheduled monument consolidation to make safe for visitors and to secure the future of this building to tell the wider story of Lead mining and Silver production in the North Pennines.
North Pennines National Landscape / Allendale Estate M Fund	Stanhope/ Allendale	£96,696.15	£120,870.18	10/07/2025	27/02/2026	Consolidation of a Blakett-Beaumont Mineshop associated with the Allen Valleys Scheduled Monument, repair collapsing sections of structural walls and roof coverings.
J & P Routledge & Son	Brampton	£39,323.40	£39,323.40	08/08/2025	27/02/2026	Restoration of 2 native poor quality hedges totalling 570m, planting 2 new 380m hedges to connect them to the nearest native woodland along the side of the River Eden SAC, helping to connect up the woodland hedge habitat network. Extending and enhancing becksides vegetation by excluding grazing from another 60m along the side of the beck and by planting some scrub, and to plant 10 field boundary trees.

Close To The Earth	Penrith	£4,244.37	£4,715.97	11/08/2025	27/02/2026	<p>This project will restore a 2.5-acre site into a species-rich mosaic of habitats using traditional, low-impact farming methods.</p> <p>Enhancements to the site include planting new hedgerows, seeding wildflowers, creating mini woodland areas, and constructing a 10m x 10m wildlife pond to increase ecological diversity. A strong emphasis is placed on public engagement and education. A yurt will provide a heated, all-weather space for delivering sessions on nature-friendly farming, biodiversity, and land-based skills.</p>
Woodside Farm	Newbiggin	£40,180.50	£40,180.50	04/07/2025	27/02/2026	<p>Working on three farms, the applicant will be hedge laying and planting trees and hedgerows to enhance the farms and the habitat already found there. They will be hedging/ fencing off a watercourse for better stock management and to improve water quality. Hedges running alongside the River Tees will also help to shade the water and improve the riparian buffer. Walling will be completed to aid in stock management and to keep the area pleasant for visitors and walkers.</p>

Pasture For Life	Kent	£27,843.86	£27,843.86	04/07/2025	27/02/2026	The project aims to continue the momentum and build on the outcomes already seen and reported in the Northern Protected Landscapes area by supporting farmers with 1 to 1 support and group mentoring, and tailored mentoring.
Messrs Bell,	Brampton	£32,889.67	£32,889.67	10/08/2025	27/02/2026	Hallbankgate Farm, North woodland restoration & new swift, house martin & bat tower. Felling non-native conifer woodlands and replanting with native broadleaves, similar to the 2 woods restored with previous FiPL grant. Fencing off the woods to stop livestock from browsing on young trees, aiding natural regeneration. And will manage in the future to favour black grouse and other wildlife. And we're also keen to provide a swift, house martin & bat nesting tower to support our local wildlife which we would locate on our land close to the centre of Hallbankgate village so that locals and visitors could fully appreciate the spectacle.
Eden Rivers Trust	Penrith	£58,997.51	£66,234.51	11/08/2025	27/02/2026	eDNA surveying for priority and invasive species within the North Pennines National Landscape. Surveying riparian networks across the North Pennines National Landscape for two priority species

						(Water Vole and White-clawed crayfish) and one INNS (American Mink) using eDNA sampling techniques.
CET Smith	Brampton	£18,538.82	£18,538.82	03/08/2025	27/02/2026	Creating new permanent hedgerow to create field boundary to replace temporary electric fence to support a newly introduced regenerative farming system. Plant 375m of new hedgerow with double fencing. It will create a new permanent hedge field boundary, which is currently wire and post electric fence. Along with the fencing and hedges there will also be a water trough and gates into the new field. This new hedgerow will support the regenerative farming practices we are developing on the farm and will become a wildlife corridor between Moses Wood and Fouslike Wood. Plant 20 in field silvo pasture trees in field with cactus guards along with 2 hedgerow trees within the guards. Create a new scrape in the wetland habitat area.
Messrs Murray	Brampton	£13,663.47	£13,663.47	08/09/2025	27/02/2026	Habitat creation, water quality and public access at Roughet Hill, Planting hedgerow, stonewall restoration, planting trees in cactus guards, relocation of sheep pens and fencing off a PRoW

North Pennines National Landscape	Stanhope	£92,300.00	£96,800.00	11/09/2025	27/02/2026	Peatland restoration on Geltsdale Middle Top, Dams and bunding.
M&D Herdman & Son	Blanchland	£25,800.18	£40,506.86	10/09/2025	27/02/2025	Educational access, diversification, and expansion of regenerative agriculture infrastructure at Acton Farm
M Boyd, Far Galligill	Nenthead	£10,538.00	£13,210.50	24/09/2025	27/02/2026	Habitat creation and improved grazing management -Planting 165m of hedgerow with hedgerow trees. Planting of an orchard with fruit and nut trees, A flail mower will help to manage the larger parcels for biodiversity.
J Butterfield General Dealer	Middleton-in-Teesdale	£21,863.94	£22,797.25	12/09/2025	27/02/2026	Part 1: Deliver drystone walling courses and taster sessions. Provision of 1 portalo, 6 walling hammers, and design of website to aid with this. The applicant plans to host 5 free walling taster sessions between Sept 25 - Feb 26. The applicant is applying for 138m of drystone wall repair and wall top wire and 50m supplementary stone. This wall will be used to deliver the taster sessions. Part 2: Planting of an orchard and boundary trees to improve the biodiversity and environmental value of the land. Two small

						hedges will also be planted and wildlife boxes erected.
JF Edgar	Alston	£12,509.42	£12,509.42	02/01/2026	27/02/2026	<p>Educational access, with biodiversity and landscape feature protection at Castle Nook -Attend CEVAS training for new hosts so that the farm is well equipped to provide an estimated 5 visits from mixed age groups, giving guided tour of the farm, with an overview of hill farming, the associated wildlife and areas of historic interest. Provision of basic amenities including shelter and toilet facilities on farm.</p> <p>Up to 820m of traditional stone wall top wiring to protect landscape features and adjacent priority habitats. One tawny owl box, one barn owl box and ten bat boxes. Bird hide"</p>
W Emerson	Frosterley	£34,392.76	£34,392.76	10/12/2025	27/02/2026	<p>Hedgerow creation and expanding mob grazing infrastructure at Landieu. The creation of 721m of new hedgerow. Water pipe allowing me to convert more of the farm to mob grazing. Portable water troughs to allow me to graze parts of the farm that do not have water in the recent dry summer we have had. Quad bike bale unroller allowing me to unroll hay to feed cows hopefully adding more diverse seed to the swards.</p>
North Pennines National Landscape	Stanhope	£11,806.80	£11,806.80	04/10/2025	31/03/2026	<p>Woodland creation and management advice for North Pennines Landscape Connections Programme This project will enable the provision of</p>

						specialist advice and support for 30+ landowners and land managers to establish more trees in the landscape, including wood pasture, low density scrub and well-managed existing woodland, as part of an integrated land management approach through Landscape Connections.
JH & C Ltd	Frosterley	£26,645.17	£26,645.17	27/10/2025	27/02/2026	Infrastructure to implement cell grazing at Newlands Hall- Planting 296m hedgerow, creating 133m2 scrape, purchase of water infrastructure and electric fencing to support cell grazing strategy
Ozawa Wildlife	Knock	£22,531.38	£22,531.38	02/12/2025	27/02/2026	Heritage Landscape Management Training in The Eden Valley "This project will deliver: - 10 days of hedge laying and woodland coppicing training across 3 different farms in the Eden Valley. - The laying of 482 m of hedgerow. - Coppicing of 0.16ha of Sweet Chestnut Woodland to create naturally durable fencing materials. "
Lorraine Davie	Westgate	£15,001.73	£15,001.73	19/11/2025	27/02/2026	Access improvements, tree planting with wildlife and biodiversity improvements at Valley View.To plant approx. 60 fruit trees with protection to encourage an agroforestry area. To plant shrubs/native trees to replace field boundaries that have been lost due to industrial farming of 125 linear metres and to include planting within the sporadic existing trees to create

						<p>areas for wildlife and help reduce water logging across the fields. All trees to be protected from deer/rabbits with protection or fencing.</p> <p>Replacement of a stile with a hand gate on the footpath will improve the use of this route.. Electric fencing, water pipe and moveable troughs will allow stock to be rotated effectively, improving soil structure and help reduce water run off while also remove livestock need to access natural waterway.</p>
JR & CM Dalton	Lanehead	£14,075.74	£14,075.74	21/11/2025	27/02/2026	<p>South Wellhope Farm tree and hedge planting -Planting 80m of native hedgerow,Fencing and planting field margin- 0.33ha native trees</p> <p>Stock-proofing a gill and planting 0.23 ha of scrub for black grouse</p>
PD & J Johnson	Harwood	£18,520.35	£22,037.35	12/12/2025	27/02/2026	<p>Renew and repair the existing communal sheep folds at Lady Rake, Harwood-in-Teesdale, which includes replacing the fences, gates and sheep shedder and repairing part boundary walls of the folds.</p>
Philip Towers	Westgate	£16,045.06	£16,045.06	08/01/2026	27/02/2026	<p>Sidehead Lodge farm -</p> <p>Planting of 708 metres of hedgerow with hedgerow trees.</p> <p>Additional tree planting within established tree blocks.</p> <p>Establishment of new tree and hedgerow blocks with planting of 190 trees. Installing livestock water troughs and associated pipework to facilitate improved grazing</p>

						management within a rotational grazing system.
North Pennines National Landscape	Stanhope	£12,744.72	£17,544.00	12/01/2026	30/03/2026	North Pennines Living Lab -To undertake pilot sessions to identify a cohort of North Pennines women who live and/or work in the farming community and who have a 'brilliant idea' but need support to develop, grow and trial their ideas in a safe and supportive environment, specifically designed for rural enterprise.