



Dyffryn Gwy
Tirwedd Cenedlaethol
Wye Valley
National Landscape

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Farming in Protected Landscapes (FiPL)

Approved projects

| WV001 | Safe handling area for the welfare of conservation grazing cattle | |
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| Applicant | Grazing Management Ltd | Supporting the provision of conservation grazing across the Wye Valley AONB, using hardy native breed cattle. Funding is for the creation of a porous, flat, stoned area to allow the safe handling of animals when required, in between their work restoring wild flower meadows. |
| Location | The Hudnalls, St. Briavels, GL15 6RT | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £10,975.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,938.75 | |
| Duration | September 2021 – December 2021 | |
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| WV002 | Opportunity to Explore | |
| Applicant | Nature's Nest | Nature's Nest is a farm based glamping enterprise. The project enabled the purchase of electric bikes and storage, and interpretation panels at places of interest, to provide educated access to Nature's Nest best attraction, its location. <i>"We not only want to give guests the opportunity to explore, but give them understanding of why our place is a designated AONB and what that means".</i> |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NH | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | |
| Project Value | £17,437.02 | |
| FiPL grant | £8,097.70 | |
| Duration | December 2021 – March 2022 | |
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| WV003 | The Wye Valley Floodplain Project | |
| Applicant | The Wye and Usk Foundation | To undertake natural capital assessments for 26 landholdings within the Wye Valley AONB, to identify priority habitats, in particular floodplain meadows, and deliver improvements to the condition, connectivity and increase their extent within the landscape. Further investigation of archive and geospatial datasets to reveal past extent of floodplain grassland within Herefordshire Wye Valley AONB Floodplain; producing maps of key priority areas for floodplain restoration as a tool for advisors and facilitators. |
| Location | Wye Valley AONB wide (England) | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £108,275.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £69,525.00 | |
| Duration | December 2021 – March 2024 | |
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| WV004 | Regenerative Agriculture: Demonstration, Explanation and Access for All | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | Establishment of mob grazing, creation of agroforestry orchard, interpretation panels with information about wildlife, landscape, history and farming, farm track improvements enabling access for all, planting veteran trees of the future, and expansion of farm shop facilities into a refurbished barn. Allowing the general public, farmers and landowners, NGO's and anyone else with an interest in the link between food and the environment to visit, taking a self-guided walk with the help of information panels or guided by landowner. |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £202,977.57 | |
| FiPL grant | £65,530.20 | |
| Duration | January 2022 – March 2023 | |
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| WV006 | Woodland enhancement for educational visits, plus improvement of toilet facilities for school visitors | |
| Applicant | J Hoddell & Partners / A. Herbert | Refurbishment of toilet facilities and creation of a teaching and exploring area in woodland with access to a stream, to provide educational opportunities and enhancement to school visits. |
| Location | Lewstone Farmhouse, Ganarew, NP25 3SS | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £4,890.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,890.00 | |
| Duration | January 2022 – March 2022 | |
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| WV007 | Sandford Farm– improving poultry range management and infrastructure to protect water quality in the Wye Valley AONB | |
| Applicant | LK Goulding / T. Waters | Improvements to poultry site infrastructure and range management in the form of planting of hardy grass and shrubs to create dense vegetation, and wetland plants around attenuation pond. Project aims to reduce nutrient losses and soil and water run-off. These improvements will deliver benefits for water quality and natural flood management in the AONB and help to restore river health and biodiversity. |
| Location | Sandford Farm, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 7UA | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £2,298.64 | |
| FiPL grant | £1,498.93 | |
| Duration | February 2022 – March 2023 | |
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| WV009 | Dribble Bar for Slurry Tanker | |
| Applicant | Ballingham Court Farm / E. Rudge | Purchase of a dribble bar for slurry tanker, to make better use of the nutrients naturally occurring in digestate and slurry produced by ‘dribbling’ it into the soil, reducing air and water pollution. To be used across a number of landholdings. |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NH | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £10,350.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,000.00 | |
| Duration | March 2022 | |
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| WV010 | Conservation grazing for People and Wildlife at The Park: gateway to the Wye Valley AONB | |
| Applicant | Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust | Installation of fencing infrastructure to enable conservation grazing of 26.3 ha of mixed open heathland habitat by Highland cattle, Exmoor ponies, and Hebridean and Herdwick sheep. The use of native breeds exemplifies their value in combining wildlife gains, landscape aesthetics and visitor wellbeing. Improving public access to the reserve. |
| Location | The Park Nature Reserve, Tidenham Chase, NP16 7JR | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £43,148.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £16,357.60 | |
| Duration | September 2022- March 2023 | |
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| WV012 | River Wye INNS Giant Hogweed and Japanese Knotweed Eradication | |
| Applicant | The Wye and Usk Foundation | <p>Invasive species control measures in the Wye catchment between Glasbury and Ross-on-Wye, including knapsack spraying of existing and germinating Giant hogweed plants, a boat trip to locate and deadhead flowering stands of Giant hogweed and knapsack treatment of Japanese knotweed stands.</p> <p>Treatment across the catchment is essential as each plant can produce up to £100,000 seeds, which spread downstream by the nature of the river and further accelerated by the action of floods.</p> |
| Location | River Wye and tributaries | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £18,192.48 | |
| FiPL grant | £18,192.48 | |
| Duration | September 2022 - March 2024 | |
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| WV013 | Rectory Orchard Renewal | |
| Applicant | A. Farquhar | <p>Restoration of a 2.8ha traditional orchard. Improving longevity of veteran fruit trees by appropriate and environmentally sensitive management and pruning.</p> <p>Enhancing existing habitats by planting new standard cider apple trees and perry pear trees, and building guards to protect the young trees from livestock. Renewing the heart of the community and improving access to the field for all residents to enjoy.</p> |
| Location | The Rectory, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £18,314.90 | |
| FiPL grant | £18,314.90 | |
| Duration | December 2022- March 2024 | |
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| WV014 | Noble Chafer Habitat Enhancement | |
| Applicant | Wye Valley AONB Partnership | <p>Installing trial habitat boxes for the nationally scarce Noble chafer beetle and planting fruit trees to create habitat of the future. Facilitating training events and producing educational materials for landowners and groups involved in traditional orchard conservation.</p> <p>Conducting pheromone lure surveys to establish and monitor the existing population of Noble chafer and identifying areas where enhancement work is best targeted.</p> |
| Location | Wye Valley AONB wide (England) | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £7,875.74 | |
| FiPL grant | £7,875.74 | |
| Duration | September 2022- March 2024 | |

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| WV016 | The Dingle Nature & Biodiversity Enhancement Project | |
| Applicant | Mr P. Eeeles | Improving field infrastructure with fencing, gates and water troughs to enable conservation grazing with a view to further improve a species-diverse meadow. Fencing off a natural watercourse to prevent damage from livestock. Planting parkland trees, shrub buffer strips and native hedgerows. Improving public access by replacing a stile with a kissing gate. |
| Location | The Dingle, Checkley, HR1 4ND | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £14,050.29 | |
| FiPL grant | £13,716.23 | |
| Duration | November 2022 – March 2024 | |
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| WV017 | Improvement of climatic and biodiversity impact at Huntsham Farm | |
| Applicant | Huntsham Court Farm / R. Vaughan | Improvement of climatic and biodiversity impact at Huntsham Farm by ensuring the farm's waste management policy is sustainable and environmentally friendly. Fitting concrete panels to the sides of the muck barn, to prevent liquid waste leeching out of the muck barn onto the yard and subsequently into the fields nearby. |
| Location | Huntsham Court, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6JN | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature | |
| Project Value | £4,799.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £3,599.25 | |
| Duration | December 2022- March 2023 | |
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| WV018 | Floodplain meadow restoration and improved access infrastructure for PROW at Tump Farm | |
| Applicant | M W Farming / M. Williams | Restoring 3.47 ha of floodplain meadow using local provenance brush harvested seed from nearest donor floodplain meadow. Floodplain meadows along the River Wye have become a rare and fragmented habitat. These fields are on a part of the river with fast flowing water and are vulnerable to soil loss. Installing kissing gates to improve access experience on the farm, enabling livestock grazing to exist much more comfortably alongside public access and enjoyment. |
| Location | Tump Farm, Fownhope, HR1 4PJ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £8,344.33 | |
| FiPL grant | £8,344.33 | |
| Duration | February 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV019 | | Run-off prevention and public access improvement at Coxbury Farm |
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| Applicant | S.Turley | Coxbury Farm is surrounded by a number of protected sites and the water flow from the farm leads towards the Valley Brook, a tributary of the Wye, where high nitrate levels had previously been recorded. Resurfacing 200m2 area adjacent to the cattle shed with hardcore in order to reduce soil loss during the wetter months and prevent run-off. Improving access on a popular trail, including installing a pedestrian gate where previously access was through farm gate only. |
| Location | Coxbury Farm, St. Briavels, GL15 6QJ | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £4,437.25 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,437.25 | |
| Duration | January 2023 – March 2023 | |
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| WV020 | | Bicknor Court Farm – water management & habitat enhancement |
| Applicant | BB FARMING / R. Bowen | Improving biodiversity by extending existing wildlife corridors, creating new habitats and protecting natural watercourses, along with future-proofing sustainable land management of the farm. Planting hedgerows, specimen parkland trees, restoring a farmland pond by fencing it off from livestock and planting a native species semi-circular buffer strip. Installation of pipework and water troughs to provide alternative source of water for livestock. |
| Location | Bicknor Court Farm, English Bicknor, GL16 7PD | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £20,234.09 | |
| FiPL grant | £20,234.09 | |
| Duration | January 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV021 | | Increasing educational access to farms in the Wye Valley AONB |
| Applicant | LEAF education | Promoting opportunities for educational access to farms by delivering accredited CEVAS training to farmers and support them as they build relationships with local schools. The training will give farmers the skills to deliver fully risk assessed, engaging curriculum linked educational visits on their farms. Afterwards, course participants will be supported by the LEAF Regional Education Consultant through one to one consultancy to identify educational opportunities on individual farms and help deliver school visits. |
| Location | Wye Valley AONB wide (England) | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | |
| Project Value | £14,180.89 | |
| FiPL grant | £14,180.89 | |
| Duration | January 2023 – March 2024 | |

| WV022 | | Agroforestry project and increasing biodiversity of a farm pond |
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| Applicant | Ballingham Court Farm / E. Rudge | <p>Implementing a silvoarable system in an intensive apple orchard, which has become uneconomic due to difficulties of sourcing labour, loss of plant protection products, cost of storing fruit and poor returns for the harvested fruit. Instead of taking out the orchard completely, this agroforestry system will be retrofitted by removing some rows of trees and growing arable crops in their stead, amongst remaining rows.</p> <p>Fencing off a farm pond to allow vegetation to grow in the area and plant a hedge nearby to add to the biodiversity.</p> |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NH | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £23,129.18 | |
| FiPL grant | £10,410.60 | |
| Duration | March 2023 - March 2024 | |
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| WV023 | | Habitat Enhancement at Taste of Self Sufficiency |
| Applicant | Taste of Self Sufficiency / Y. Watson | <p>Further habitat and biodiversity improvements on this permaculture and biodynamic smallholding, which encompasses a Local Wildlife Site. Planting native hedgerow and installing wildlife boxes for bats, birds and insects.</p> |
| Location | Caenwood, Howle Hill, HR9 5SP | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature | |
| Project Value | £2,024.15 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,024.15 | |
| Duration | February 2023 – March 2023 | |
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| WV024 | | High quality, safe handling facilities for the welfare of conservation grazing cattle |
| Applicant | Grazing Management Ltd | <p>Improving handling facilities to support the expansion of conservation grazing across the Wye Valley AONB. The 'flying herd' is providing environmentally focused 'hoof powered' land management across an increasing number of sites throughout the Protected Landscape.</p> <p>Installation of permanent cattle handling facilities, improvements to the cattle crush and purchasing a mobile kit to enable movement of the herd across different sites.</p> |
| Location | The Hudnalls, St. Briavels, GL15 6RT | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £5,797.66 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,426.76 | |
| Duration | March 2023 – July 2023 | |
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| WV025 | The Modern Field | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | <p>Fencing the inner part of arable field to demonstrate an innovative, environment focused field set-up.</p> <p>This project illustrates how a field boundary of hedges, 6m floristically enhanced margin, and a new 'access for all' permissive footpath, has a permanent fence around the inner part of the 6m margin, protecting the hedges and edges from grazing animals, enhancing the hedge and edge for nature and protecting the margins role as soil water movement buffers.</p> |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People | |
| Project Value | £7,470.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £7,470.00 | |
| Duration | April 2023 – May 2023 | |
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| WV026 | Purchase of Equipment for the better care of Nature Reserves | |
| Applicant | Herefordshire Wildlife Trust | <p>Purchase of new specialist tractor flail attachment to enable annual maintenance and opening up of woodland rides and glades in several nature reserves in the Woolhope Dome and in the Great Doward.</p> <p>This will encourage woodland flora and invertebrate habitats as well as control of scrub encroachment onto species-rich hay meadows and grasslands.</p> |
| Location | 6 Nature reserves and SSSIs in the Wye Valley AONB | |
| Key Themes | Nature | |
| Project Value | £5,150.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £5,150.00 | |
| Duration | March 2023 | |
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| WV027 | Species rich floodplain meadow margins, river bank stabilisation, tree planting and new, mob grazing system at Benhall Farm | |
| Applicant | SH & CM Brewer | <p>Restoring 1.8ha of riverbank margins to species rich floodplain meadow using local provenance brush harvested seed. Planting willow whips to stabilise a section of riverbank (River Wye SSSI), currently depleted of vegetation. Purchasing infrastructure, including electric fencing kit, to enable new mob grazing system that will facilitate longer rest periods and improve rooting structure, which in turn will increase soil health, aid carbon sequestration and water regulation, and reduce unwanted soil structure damage caused by poaching on wet floodplain ground. Planting hedgerow trees.</p> |
| Location | Benhall Farm, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6AG | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £7,251.96 | |
| FiPL grant | £5,551.62 | |
| Duration | March 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV028 | | Cattle yard improvements |
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| Applicant | S. Turley | Installing a concrete pad, which will enable feeding of the cattle to be concentrated in one area and address issues of poaching, soil erosion and reduce the risk of diffuse pollution. The pad can be easily scraped off with the front-end loader and debris loaded into a muck bay nearby. This development will improve the efficacy of yard work, reduce ground poaching and benefit animal welfare. |
| Location | Coxbury Farm | |
| Key Themes | Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,990.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £1,990.00 | |
| Duration | February 2023- Mar 2023 | |
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| WV029 | | Herbal leys trial and public access improvements at Dryslade Farm |
| Applicant | PF & DM Gwilliam | Putting in 3.48ha of GS4 herbal ley in species poor improved grassland pasture, to improve soil structure and fertility, and to create pollinator habitat. Benefits of herbal leys are plentiful and include improved soil fertility, structure and water retention, and act as enhanced habitat for pollinators, additionally providing improved, mineral rich feed for the cattle. Replacing stiles with kissing gates to improve access on a very popular footpath loop around the village of English Bicknor. |
| Location | Dryslade Farm, English Bicknor, GL16 7PA | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £8,585.04 | |
| FiPL grant | £8,585.04 | |
| Duration | February 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV031 | | Meadow restoration works at Haynes Farm. |
| Applicant | J. Gardner | Restoration of 0.7ha of semi-improved grassland to a species rich meadow using local, brush harvested seed. A range of deeper rooting broadleaved herbs in the restored meadow will help increase carbon sequestration, provide food and habitat for wildlife, better regulate water storage capacity and flows, and provide landscape amenity value. |
| Location | Haynes Farm, Carey, HR2 6NG | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,516.52 | |
| FiPL grant | £1,516.52 | |
| Duration | May 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV032 | Cowleaves Pond habitat enhancement | |
| Applicant | PF & DM Gwilliam | Fencing off a small woodland copse and incorporating within it the pond, the supply ditch, the pond outflow and sinkhole, to prevent cattle poaching and browsing and allow natural regeneration thus protecting water quality in the unnamed tributary of the River Wye. Reseeding bare ground in the woodland copse with native woodland wildflower mix. |
| Location | Dryslade Farm, English Bicknor, GL16 7PA | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature | |
| Project Value | £975.19 | |
| FiPL grant | £975.19 | |
| Duration | May 2023 - November 2023 | |
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| WV033 | Integrating livestock into arable to improve soil health at Caradoc | |
| Applicant | Caradoc Estate / D. Darling | Planting infield parkland trees to mimic historic planting and create stepping-stones for movement of wildlife between two parcels of woodland. Installation of field infrastructure, including electric fencing and drag water troughs to enable holistic planned grazing on land that has been in arable for many decades. Aiming to deliver soil restoration driven by grazing ruminants and planting trees. |
| Location | Caradoc, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6LS | |
| Key Themes | Nature, Climate, Place | |
| Project Value | £6,534.48 | |
| FiPL grant | £5,695.08 | |
| Duration | May 2023 – December 2023 | |
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| WV034 | Wood pasture creation and reinstatement of historic hedgerows at Lower Witherstone Farm | |
| Applicant | The Russell Price Family Partnership | Improving habitat diversity from permanent pasture to wood pasture by planting native species parkland trees and installing tree guards, additionally creating future shelter and shade benefits to livestock. Reinstating historical hedgerow, as identified by on old maps of the area, which will contribute to improving existing wildlife corridors. |
| Location | Lower Witherstone Farm, Carey, HR2 6NQ | |
| Key Themes | Nature, Climate, Place | |
| Project Value | £24,706.78 | |
| FiPL grant | £24,706.78 | |
| Duration | June 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV035 | Townsend Compost Project | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | Stabilising animal waste for carbon building, soil health and prevention of nutrient leaching, by installing infrastructure in the cattle barn to produce Bokashi composted manure. Utilizing plant waste and harvested rainwater to produce Actively Aerated Compost Teas (AACT) for soil and plant health. |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £12,065.92 | |
| FiPL grant | £8,009.33 | |
| Duration | May 2023- December 2023 | |
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| WV036 | Fownhope Coronation Walk | |
| Applicant | Fownhope Parish Council | Creating a 6.7-mile themed and accessible trail using the existing network of PROW footpaths to promote the heritage and natural beauty of the Fownhope Parish. Printing bespoke way markers, designing and printing leaflets and installing interpretation boards in two locations. |
| Location | Fownhope Parish, HR1 | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | |
| Project Value | £4,742.46 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,742.46 | |
| Duration | May 2023 – December 2023 | |
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| WV037 | Undersowing maize | |
| Applicant | RJ & EE Powell | Undersowing 8ha of maize crop with ryegrass and vetch. This practice has many environmental benefits including enhancement of soil structure through active root biomass, reduction in soil erosion and increased retention of nutrients. These benefits will help improve water quality and reduce run-off on fields, providing increased protection to the nearby River Wye SSSI and SAC. |
| Location | Kilforge Farm , Bolstone, HR2 6NE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £790.40 | |
| FiPL grant | £395.20 | |
| Duration | May 2023- August 2023 | |
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| WV038 | Undersowing maize | |
| Applicant | J A & E Brooke | Undersowing 9.8 ha of maize with ryegrass and white clover mix. Undersowing has many environmental benefits including enhancement of soil structure through active root biomass, reduction in soil erosion and increased retention of nutrients. These benefits will help improve water quality and reduce run-off on fields, thus protecting to the watercourses. |
| Location | Lower Penalt Farm, Kings Caple, HR1 4UQ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £980.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £490.00 | |
| Duration | May 2023- August 2023 | |
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| WV039 | Improving public access at Bearse Farm | |
| Applicant | E. Matthews | Improving public access to the footpaths that cross through Bearse Farm by removing stiles and installing gates. St Briavels has a very active and popular walking club. Replacing the stiles for gates would enable mixed ability walkers to use these paths more frequently. Improving farm boundaries to protect livestock from the road. |
| Location | Bearse Farm, St. Briavels, GL15 6QU | |
| Key Themes | People | |
| Project Value | £1,320.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £1,320.00 | |
| Duration | July 2023- March 2024 | |
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| WV041 | Townsend Farm Flour and Grain | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | Purchasing equipment, such as a cyclone stone mill and pasta maker, to add value to heritage grains grown on the farm and to enable production of nutritionally dense foods, with the intention of making the equipment available free to farmers and bakers in the Wye Valley AONB and therefore creating an outlet for heritage grains grown in the Wye Valley AONB. Continuing the role of Townsend Farm as a farm hub, facilitating peer-to-peer learning of heritage grains growing and processing. |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Place | |
| Project Value | £26,076.98 | |
| FiPL grant | £10,430.79 | |
| Duration | June 2023 – March 2024 | |

| WV042 | | Habitat and PROW improvement at Lower Penalt Farm. |
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| Applicant | J A & E Brooke | Planting a small orchard on a marginal parcel of land, currently devoid of vegetation or trees. Planting parkland trees in an exposed pasture to provide future shade and shelter for livestock and improve value of the habitat to wildlife. Manufacturing and installing traditional steel welded tree guards, in keeping with the guard design of the local area. Installing a pedestrian kissing gate to facilitate easy access to the public footpath whilst protecting the livestock. |
| Location | Lower Penalt Farm, Kings Caple, HR1 4UQ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £14,447.50 | |
| FiPL grant | £14,447.50 | |
| Duration | June 2023– March 2024 | |
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| WV043 | | Meadow restoration works at Shepherd's Rough |
| Applicant | Robert and Lynn Berry | 5ha of species poor grassland will be restored to a species rich meadow using local, brush harvested seed. Restoration will include grazing tight late summer 2023. The field will then be harrowed in alternate strips to create at least 50% bare soil and seed will be broadcast and rolled. Local provenance brush harvested seed will be spread by hand. As seedlings start to germinate in the autumn and over winter the field will be grazed periodically, to keep grass short to benefit the emerging wildflowers |
| Location | Shepherd's Rough, Ballingham HR2 6NW | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £2,787.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,787.00 | |
| Duration | July 2023- March 2024 | |
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| WV044 | | Pasture and Profit in Protected Landscapes (PPPL) – Farmer to farmer learning and support in the Wye Valley AONB |
| Applicant | Pasture for Life Association | This project will build on the highly successful farmer to farmer mentoring and support FIPL initiatives across a number of AONBs and National Parks, called Pasture & Profit in Protected Landscapes. The project will focus on the expansion of grazing management practices that support the restoration of biodiversity, carbon sequestration and landscape character, including in river catchments, species-rich grasslands and wider agricultural grasslands. |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £61,746.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £41,414.50 | |
| Duration | September 2023- March 2025 | |
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| WV045 | | Restoration and access improvement of the meadows and orchard at Joan's Hill Farm | |
| Applicant | Plantlife | The project will improve and install 2 entrances to the reserve, making them more accessible for the public and for conservation work. It will also undertake restoration work in the orchard, including pruning and installing orchard tree guards. Fencing will be installed to ensure essential grazing management can be undertaken to enhance the meadows. | |
| Location | Joan's Hill Farm Nature Reserve | | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £5,717.02 | | |
| FiPL grant | £5,717.02 | | |
| Duration | July 2023 – March 2024 | | |
| WV046 | | Townsend Farm Windmill Restoration | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | Water mills, once covered the landscape, have been replaced with boreholes and mains water supplies. The water tower at Townsend farm was erected in 1920 and installed with a Climax water pump, based in Kidderminster. Very few of these remain, and even less are actually working. The project will start with the restoration of a 1920s windmill water pump, including repairs to the tower, foundation and the windmill engine. 1.5km of pipework will be installed to move water from the windmill pump to storage tanks in the by the farmyard. | |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Place | | |
| Project Value | £32,253.33 | | |
| FiPL grant | £8,833.34 | | |
| Duration | August 2023 – March 2024 | | |
| WV047 | | Educational access programme at Bears Farm | |
| Applicant | E. Matthews | Providing educational school visits at Bears Farm as part of the CEVAS scheme. Improving habitat management through grassland restoration, introduction of livestock and woodland management. | |
| Location | Bears Farm, St. Briavels, GL15 6QU | | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People | | |
| Project Value | £12,362.43 | | |
| FiPL grant | £7,286.18 | | |
| Duration | October 2010 – March 2025 | | |

| WV048 | | Caradoc Estate Whole farm water and paddock system plan |
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| Applicant | Caradoc Estate / D. Darling | <p>Precision Grazing will complete a whole farm paddock grazing design based on creation of approx. 2ha paddocks water system design, considering future animal demand and range of potential water sources to most efficiently service proposed paddocks.</p> <p>This plan will inform Countryside Stewardship Capital Grants applications for fencing and water infrastructure with an aim to integrate livestock into the arable land in a way which will regenerate the soil.</p> |
| Location | Caradoc, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6LS | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £835.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £668.00 | |
| Duration | September 2023 – October 2023 | |
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| WV049 | | Creation of a wildflower meadow at Overbury Farm |
| Applicant | NG BA & AJ Williams | <p>Creation of a diverse wildflower and native grass sward on an existing pasture field. The field 3.27ha has an existing ryegrass ley that is worn out.</p> <p>The seed mix will include approx. 30% perennial ryegrass, 10% timothy, 6% fescue, 6% meadow foxtail, 3% sweet vernal grass, 7% red clover, 7% white clover, 3% birds-foot trefoil, 2% ribwort plantain, 2% yarrow, 8% sainfoin, 8% sweet/alsike/crimson clover, 2% vetch, 1% ox eye daiy, 1% wild carrot and 4 other species including knapweed, burnet, sheeps parsley.</p> <p>Ongoing management will include hay cuts and grazing in autumn, with the possibility of some light grazing in spring.</p> |
| Location | Overbury Farm, Woolhope, HR1 4QZ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £2,200.71 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,200.71 | |
| Duration | August 2023 – October 2023 | |
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| WV050 | | Establishing winter cover crops on riverside fields. |
| Applicant | NW & I Roper | <p>Trial to establish cover crops on 37.5ha river ground over winter to see whether this helps to prevent soil erosion and minimise nutrient leaching.</p> <p>Direct drilling cover crop seed into arable fields post harvest.</p> |
| Location | Flanesford, | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £4,847.82 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,847.82 | |
| Duration | September 2023- October 2023 | |

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| WV051 | Improvement of livestock handling facilities at Wye Organic | |
| Applicant | Wye Organic | <p>Refurbishing an existing storage barn into livestock handling facility to enable safe and efficient handling of cattle and sheep.</p> <p>Installing concrete panels and gates to create an outdoor, enclosed livestock area adjacent to the barn, convert the available inside space into pens and facilitate efficient and safe movement of livestock through the new yard and into the barn. Laying concrete floor in the barn to create safe and easily cleaned surface for livestock.</p> |
| Location | Courtfield Estate, HR9 6JJ | |
| Key Themes | Place | |
| Project Value | £13,129.50 | |
| FiPL grant | £5,961.40 | |
| Duration | September 2023 – December 2023 | |
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| WV052 | Landscape Enhancement Initiative project development and farm advice | |
| Applicant | Wye Valley National Landscape Partnership | <p>The Wye Valley National Landscape Partnership will contract farming and wildlife advice specialists to engage farmers within a 3 km buffer of National Grid power lines between Coughton and Marstow. The purpose of engagement is to establish habitat enhancement opportunities for inclusion in an application to the Landscape Enhancement Initiative, delivering habitat enhancement work to mitigate the impact of the high voltage power lines.</p> |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate | |
| Project Value | £7,690.95 | |
| FiPL grant | £7,690.95 | |
| Duration | October 2023 – March 2024 | |
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| WV053 | Willow Walk- Creating Access to the Countryside for All | |
| Applicant | Wye Valley National Landscape Partnership | <p>To develop a fully accessible, barrier free circular walk from Ross on Wye to Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots allowing disabled people access to the countryside. The Willow Walk will help connect people to nature, improving their wellness and mental health.</p> <p>Interpretation along the walk will be environmentally themed, with information boards, way markers and an interpretive leaflet, linking floodplain meadows at Ross Sports Club and the Rowing Club upstream to Townsend Farm.</p> |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape, Ross-on-Wye | |
| Key Themes | People | |
| Project Value | £14,277.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £14,277.00 | |
| Duration | October 2023- March 2025 | |
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| WV054 | | Ail Meadow Habitat Improvements | |
| Applicant | Herefordshire Wildlife Trust | <p>Ail Meadow is a lowland pasture covering just over 5.5 ha with a number of rare county species including bog pimpernel, southern marsh orchid, flixweed and fen bedstraw.</p> <p>The project will improve the habitat diversity at our Ail Meadow by implementing repairs to ditch at Ail that causes flooding around cattle handling pen and constructing new surfaced entrance to Ail meadow to reduce poaching damage when cattle are moved on and off the Reserve.</p> | |
| Location | Ail Meadow | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | | |
| Project Value | £3,778.20 | | |
| FiPL grant | £3,778.20 | | |
| Duration | October 2023- October 2024 | | |
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| WV055 | | Treescaping Orchard Workshops – Orchards through the seasons | |
| Applicant | Severn Treescaping - Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust | <p>Delivering a series of orchard management workshops taking place on existing and new orchards and fruit cropping systems. Farmers and landowners will come to learn new skills and increase their confidence in planning and managing their orchards, also learn how to identify, survey and record orchards.</p> <p>Workshops will include practical tasks, such as planning and planting, formative pruning, restorative pruning, recording of Priority Habitats, grafting and fruit variety identification.</p> | |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £7,456.77 | | |
| FiPL grant | £7,456.77 | | |
| Duration | December 2023 – March 2025 | | |
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| WV056 | | Wye Valley AONB Flower Rich Grasslands Project | |
| Applicant | Herefordshire Meadows | <p>Undertaking survey work on 15 landholdings within the Wye Valley National Landscape, to assess existing and identify new priority habitat grassland. To offer support to landowners to improve management and condition of these sites.</p> <p>To build a database of species rich grasslands that could become donor sites for future grassland restoration work and to upskill members of the public in plant ID techniques so they can support with the ongoing monitoring of these sites where appropriate.</p> | |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £19,450.00 | | |
| FiPL grant | £19,450.00 | | |
| Duration | June 2024 – March 2025 | | |
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| WV057 | | Water Capture & Resilience on Farm |
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| Applicant | Liz and Peter Shewell | <p>Repair of part collapsed brick water reservoir in field.</p> <p>Installation of second water reservoir to increase water collection and storage.</p> <p>The topography of the farm enables operating a simple water supply system fed by a spring with water moved by gravity and without the need to install pumps. Current storage in existing reservoirs is inadequate during longer hot summer periods.</p> <p>The new system will improve water storage to mitigate against a changing climate.</p> |
| Location | Caswell Farm, Brockweir, NP16 7NG | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,607.08 | |
| FiPL grant | £1,244.30 | |
| Duration | April 2004 – March 2025 | |
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| WV058 | | Water quality improvement while retaining access for school visit stream investigations |
| Applicant | J Hoddell & Partners / A. Herbert | <p>Erecting a semi-permanent electric fence around the stream, consisting of 2 steel strands of wire, wooden posts with insulators attached, and a dual power energiser with a solar panel and back up battery. When cattle are grazing the field this will prevent them poaching the banks but when school and scout visits are taking place and want to access the water, the fence can be easily removed.</p> |
| Location | Lewstone Farmhouse, Ganarew, NP25 3SS | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £623.65 | |
| FiPL grant | £388.03 | |
| Duration | December 2023- January 2024 | |
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| WV059 | | Minimising soil erosion at Bryants Court |
| Applicant | RLC & RM Harbord & Son | <p>Purchasing a direct drill and establishing cover crops, companion crops, catch crops, in-field grass strips and herbal ley in temporary grassland.</p> <p>Switching from intensive cultivation to direct drilled arable cropping and utilising catch crops, over winter cover crops and companion cropping to sequester carbon into the soil and provide ground cover, to reduce soil erosion and slow water flow into the catchment area to reduce flooding, whilst providing additional food sources to increase biodiversity.</p> |
| Location | Bryant's Court, Goodrich, HR9 6JA | |
| Key Themes | Carbon, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £33,704.77 | |
| FiPL grant | £31,788.62 | |
| Duration | January 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV060 | | Species rich floodplain meadow restoration at Caradoc |
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| Applicant | Caradoc Estate / D. Darling | 2.5ha of species poor grassland will be enhanced with local, native, floodplain meadow seed. Restoration will include taking two hay cuts during the late spring and summer of 2024 plus follow-on grazing as required to remove as much vegetation as possible. The area will then be scarified using a stubble rake to create at least 50% bare soil and seed will be broadcast through an adapted grit spreader and rolled. As seedlings start to germinate in the autumn and over winter the field will be grazed periodically, depending on timing of flooding, to keep grass short to benefit the emerging wildflowers. |
| Location | Caradoc, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 6LS | |
| Key Themes | Carbon, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £4,828.78 | |
| FiPL grant | £4,828.78 | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV061 | | The Dingle Nature & Biodiversity Enhancement Project – Veteran Trees |
| Applicant | Mr P. Eeeles | As part of the 2 year FiPL approved project started 1st December 2023, a Veteran Tree survey was carried out on 3 Oaks and 1 Ash (all lapsed pollards). The recommendations from that survey require pruning work as a priority on two of the Oaks and the Ash, to ensure the longevity of these niche habitats. |
| Location | The Dingle, Checkley, HR1 4ND | |
| Key Themes | Carbon, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | 1,449.46 | |
| FiPL grant | 1,449.46 | |
| Duration | January 2024 – March 20205 | |
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| WV062 | | Wye Valley National Landscapes Advice Project |
| Applicant | The Wye and Usk Foundation | Deliver land management advice and grant support to a minimum of 12 farms in the Wye Valley National Landscape. The advice will include 2 site visits on average, a full farm plan with soil health assessment, tests and management recommendations, land and water management advice, grant advice and application support and options for natural capital opportunities, to a maximum of 8 days per farm engaged, depending on individual farm requirements. Farm assessments will identify opportunities to make farmland more resilient to climate change and improve habitat range. |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, people, Place | |
| Project Value | £35,000.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £35,000.00 | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | |

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| WV063 | Species rich floodplain meadow restoration at Weir End Moor Meadow | |
| Applicant | Alistair Hunter-Blair | 8ha of species poor grassland will be enhanced with local, native, floodplain meadow seed. Restoration will include taking hay cut(s) during the late spring and summer of 2024 plus follow on grazing as required to remove as much vegetation as possible. The area will then be scarified to create at least 50% bare soil and seed will be broadcast by hand and then rolled. As seedlings start to germinate in the autumn and over winter, the field will be grazed periodically, depending on timing of flooding, to keep grass short to benefit the emerging wildflowers. |
| Location | Weir End Farm , HR9 6AL | |
| Key Themes | Carbon, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £8,598.94 | |
| FiPL grant | £6,879.15 | |
| Duration | April 2024- March 2025 | |
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| WV064 | Direct drill to improve soil organic matter, reduce soil erosion and reduce carbon loss through cultivation | |
| Applicant | WJ Powell & Son | Purchasing a direct drill to allow transition into no –till methods on arable in a riverine location, to improve the soil, the river and the wider environment. Drilling multi species cover crops, catch crops and companion crops. The drill will enable incorporating chopped straw without ploughing and increasing soil organic matter. The direct drill will allow also to drill wheat straight into the mustard, maintaining a green cover all year and living roots in the soil. |
| Location | Underhill Farm, Foy, HR9 6RD | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £28,974.80 | |
| FiPL grant | £26,987.40 | |
| Duration | January 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV065 | Planting an Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) at Upper Pengethley Farm. Improving public access. | |
| Applicant | JM, SM & CM Partridge | Planting 300m of Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) consisting of 975 mixed species native trees and shrubs in an exposed field to provide protection to livestock and improve habitat diversity on farm. Optimal Shelterbelts play an important role in maintaining the functionality of farm ecosystems and deliver a multitude of benefits, mainly regulating the water cycle, preventing soil erosion and improving wildlife habitats. Improving public access to the farm by installing a pedestrian gate on a footpath. |
| Location | Upper Pengethley Farm , HR9 6LL | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £13,231.27 | |
| FiPL grant | £13,231.27 | |
| Duration | December 2023 – March 2025 | |
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| WV066 | Habitat creation and floodplain meadow restoration project | |
| Applicant | Paddle UK | Restoring 0.9ha of floodplain meadow using local provenance brush harvested seed from nearest donor floodplain meadow. Installing infrastructure to enable grazing on the floodplain meadow to support the habitat creation works. Planting 100 willow whips to stabilise a section of riverbank currently depleted of vegetation and at high risk of erosion and planting a 90m length of new hedgerow. |
| Location | Hoarwithy, HR1 4TT | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £7,102.92 | |
| FiPL grant | £6,426.28 | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV067 | Planting an Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) at Coxbury Farm. Purchasing equipment to sustainably control bracken. | |
| Applicant | S. Turley | Planting 192m of Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) consisting of 624 mixed species native trees and shrubs. Optimal Shelterbelts play an important role in maintaining the functionality of farm ecosystems and deliver a multitude of benefits, mainly regulating the water cycle, preventing soil erosion, improving wildlife habitats whilst providing benefits to livestock. Purchasing a lightweight roller system to provide bracken eradication by controlled bruising of the bracken stems, thus eliminating need for chemical control. |
| Location | Coxbury Farm, GL15 6QJ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £15,276.78 | |
| FiPL grant | £11,127.28 | |
| Duration | December 2023- March 2024 | |
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| WV068 | Buckstone Common Habitat Restoration | |
| Applicant | Staunton Parish Council | To write a management plan to inform the restoration of the common to a mosaic of semi-natural habitats including lowland heath, species rich acid grassland, wood pasture and woodland. To pay a project manager to oversee the implementation of this plan in the first year. To train a group of local 'lookers' to facilitate cattle grazing on the common. |
| Location | Staunton Meend | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £6,722.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £6,722.00 | |
| Duration | February 2024 – March 2025 | |

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| WV069 | Conservation grazing across the Wye Valley National Landscape | |
| Applicant | Grazing Management | <p>Purchase of 25 No-Fence collars to enable expansion of fenceless grazing of cattle on multiple sites within the Wye Valley National Landscape.</p> <p>Improve capacity by providing safe, moveable cattle handling facilities across multiple sites by purchasing hurdles, yokes, mobile bowser and a trailer.</p> <p>Purchase a wildflower seed harvester to enable farm business diversification and provide unique service of wildflower seed harvesting to facilitate meadow restoration.</p> |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £39,661.50 | |
| FiPL grant | £19,351.63 | |
| Duration | February 2024 – March 2024 | |
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| WV070 | River Wye INNS Giant Hogweed and Japanese Knotweed Eradication Yr2 | |
| Applicant | The Wye and Usk Foundation | <p>Second year of invasive species control measures in the Wye catchment, including knapsack spraying of existing and germinating Giant hogweed plants, a boat trip to locate and deadhead flowering stands of Giant hogweed and knapsack treatment of Japanese knotweed stands.</p> <p>Treatment across the catchment is essential as each plant can produce up to £100,000 seeds, which spread downstream by the nature of the river and further accelerated by the action of floods.</p> |
| Location | River Wye and tributaries | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £15,308.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £15,308.00 | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV071 | Rectory orchard Renewal Yr2 | |
| Applicant | A. Farquhar | <p>Continuing with maintenance of a traditional orchard. In 2023, 28 of the existing apple trees were pruned restoratively in order to extend their life and 120 new perry pear and cider apple trees were planted and guarded.</p> <p>Maintaining the habitat of various species by management of the existing veteran trees. Enhancing the habitat by applying appropriate care of the newly planted trees, some of which are endangered species.</p> |
| Location | The Rectory, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £747.12 (CS rates) | |
| FiPL grant | £747.12 | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV072 | | Dryslade Farm Educational Events | |
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| Applicant | PF & DM Gwilliam | Following the recent LEAF CEVAS course and having gained the CEVAS accreditation, Dryslade Farm is putting the theory into practice and running 5 educational events for the local school, supported by the LEAF regional consultant. | |
| Location | Dryslade Farm, English Bicknor, GL16 7PA | | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £1,995.00 | | |
| FiPL grant | £1,995.00 | | |
| Duration | April 2024 – March 2025 | | |
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| WV073 | | Total Mixed Ratio (TMR) Feeder | |
| Applicant | Ballingham Court Farm / E. Rudge | Purchase of a Kuhn Profile Plus 1DL Total Mixed Ratio feeder wagon to enable the better use of home and locally grown forage crops and protein. Integrating the TMR technology into an established beef enterprise to reduce farm's carbon footprint, increase efficiency and significantly reduce dependence on soya imports in the Wye Valley National Landscape, thus reducing P loading in the area. | |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NH | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £35,702.00 | | |
| FiPL grant | £17,851.00 | | |
| Duration | March 2024 | | |
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| WV074 | | Orchard Tree Protection at Tudor Farmhouse Hotel | |
| Applicant | Colin Fell | The orchard at Tudor Farmhouse Hotel was restored so as to create greater habitat diversity, to provide a nature focus for the local school and community, as well as provide some home grown produce for the hotel. 40 new guards will be erected around existing fruit trees to prevent damage from grazing animals and enable good orchard management. | |
| Location | Tudor Farm House Hotel | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | | |
| Project Value | £1,040.45 | | |
| FiPL grant | £832.36 | | |
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| WV075 Utilising LoRaWan technology to optimise the outputs of conservation grazing in the Wye Valley National Landscape and | | |
| Applicant | Grazing Management | Purchase and deployment of a bespoke design for a remotely deployable suite of sensors for animal welfare. This uses an innovative mix of IoT (internet of things) based approach coupled with LoRaWAN and 4G technology in difficult and dispersed environments. |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £15,980.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £9,588.00 | |
| Duration | June 2024- March 2025 | |
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| WV077 Enhancing botanical diversity at Hancocks Meadow Farm | | |
| Applicant | Hancocks Meadow Farm | Enhancing plant species diversity in permanent pasture by overseeding with locally sourced wildflower seed on 2 ha. Planting additional 90 trees of traditional varieties of cider apples and guarding the orchard trees to enable sheep grazing which will contribute to improving sward diversity. To establish connectivity between hedgerows and riparian buffer by planting and gapping up hedgerows. |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NN | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £12,198.06 | |
| FiPL grant | £8,058.28 | |
| Duration | May 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV078 Herefordshire Rural Hub AG-vocates – FiPL Access Fund | | |
| Applicant | Herefordshire Rural Hub | Members of the Herefordshire Agri Group from within the Wye Valley National Landscape will act as ag-vocates, to engage their peers to increase the knowledge and understanding levels of the challenges with nutrient and soil management in the Wye catchment. 10 farm meetings will be hosted by the farmer leads who will proactively invite their neighbours/peers to reach an audience of farm businesses not usually engaged through existing networks and communications. 30 of the farmers attending the meetings will be offered follow up 1:1 support to sign post to local advice & initiatives, undertake P balance with their holdings. |
| Location | Wye Valley National Landscape wide | |
| Key Themes | Climate, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £21,704.67 | |
| FiPL grant | £14,988.52 | |
| Duration | June 2024 –March 2025 | |
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| WV079 | Undersowing maize | |
| Applicant | RJ & EE Powell | Undersowing 10.8 ha of maize with ryegrass and white clover mix. Undersowing has many environmental benefits including enhancement of soil structure through active root biomass, reduction in soil erosion and increased retention of nutrients. These benefits will help improve water quality and reduce run-off on fields, thus protecting to the watercourses. |
| Location | Kilforge Farm , Bolstone, HR2 6NE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,067.04 (actual cost) | |
| FiPL grant | £533.52 | |
| Duration | June 2024- September 2024 | |
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| WV080 | Townsend Farm Information Panels. | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | To install 5 more outdoor interpretation panels to provide further information about the farm and the environment, in keeping with the design of the existing panels. Townsend Farm is expanding its free services to visitor by providing accessible paths and facilities, and by raising awareness of issues such as diversity loss and river pollution through the medium of art. The additional panels will provide visitors with information about the farm and the Wye Valley National Landscape, and expand their understanding of the environment and heritage of the area. |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | People | |
| Project Value | £4,830.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £3,864.00 | |
| Duration | June 2024- September 2024 | |
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| WV081 | Undersowing maize | |
| Applicant | J A & E Brooke | Undersowing 12.05 ha of maize with ryegrass and white clover mix. Undersowing has many environmental benefits including enhancement of soil structure through active root biomass, reduction in soil erosion and increased retention of nutrients. These benefits will help improve water quality and reduce run-off on fields, thus protecting to the watercourses. |
| Location | Lower Penalt Farm, Kings Caple, HR1 4UQ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,190.54 | |
| FiPL grant | £595.27 | |
| Duration | June 2024- September 2024 | |
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| WV082 | The Yield Centre – FiPL Access Fund | |
| Applicant | Ben Taylor-Davies Regen Ben | The Yield Centre – Regenerative Farming Centre at Townsend Farm. Conversion of a large stone barn into an education and information centre, containing a library, soil laboratory, kitchen, meeting room, podcast room, quiet room and toilets, to enable Townsend Farm to further develop its role as a beacon of learning - an accessible educational and community hub. |
| Location | Townsend Farm, Brampton Abbots, HR9 7JE | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | |
| Project Value | £152,317.99 | |
| FiPL grant | £52,815.89 | |
| Duration | July 2024 – December 2024 | |
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| WV083 | Broadmoor Common Conservation | |
| Applicant | Woolhope Parish Council | This project aims to enable Woolhope Parish Council and the Broadmoor Common steering group to manage and maintain the rare and unique diverse grasslands of Broadmoor Common Local Nature Reserve in an achievable and sustainable way. To purchase of a small scale, Cut and Collect flail mower which will be used to manage the grassland in the northern section of the Common. Deer fencing will be installed to support the ongoing tree planting efforts of local volunteers, and oak posts (dragon's teeth) to protect a rare limestone grassland bank next to the parking area at the eastern end of the Common. |
| Location | Broadmoor Common | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £15,495.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £13,389.00 | |
| Duration | July 2024- March 2025 | |
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| WV084 | Mitigating water erosion risks and creating habitats for wildlife. | |
| Applicant | RJ & EE Powell | The objective of the project is to create a small area of wetland for biodiversity and habitat in an area of field that is very wet as it accepts run off from neighbouring farmland and overflow from a wildlife pond in the field above. In wet weather, the run-off cuts a gully down the headland of this field, causing soil loss. Two small, semi-permanent attenuation ponds will be constructed to catch the excess water, with adjacent living willow leaky dams near the ponds, increasing soil infiltration by fibrous roots. Further clumps of willow trees will be planted below the second pond to alleviate any residual overflow and improve its dispersal |
| Location | Kilforge Farm , Bolstone, HR2 6NE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £8,250.00 (actual cost) | |
| FiPL grant | £8,250.00 | |
| Duration | July 2024- March 2025 | |

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| WV085 | Butchery facility at Wye Organic | |
| Applicant | Kitty Stainsby Wye Organic | Purchase and installation of a modular butchery and chiller facility to enable processing and storing of meat produced from the farm. Improving long-term resilience of this well-established organic farm business, with more of the low input, organic, pasture fed farm produce sold direct to consumers in the local area. Improving local sales to restaurants and shops by expanding the range of cuts to suit customers' needs and selling fresh instead of frozen meat. |
| Location | Courtfield Estate, HR9 6JJ | |
| Key Themes | Place | |
| Project Value | £42,500.00 (actual cost) | |
| FiPL grant | £21,250.00 | |
| Duration | July 2024- September 2024 | |
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| WV086 | Peckalls Green Natural Flood Management implementation plan | |
| Applicant | J & R Windham | Engaging services of a professional consultant to write an implementation plan to inform the Natural Flood Management (NFM) intervention on 6.9 ha. Engage computer modelling to predict the outcomes, specifically the potential impact on the water flow downstream and increased flooding upstream. Design of a re-wetting of a meadow by removing the 1940s drain and installing ponds/scrapes and bunds to slow the natural flow of water, preventing further erosion of the field and sediment pollution downstream. |
| Location | The Hyde, Woolhope HR1 4RD | |
| Key Themes | Climate | |
| Project Value | £1,200.00 (CS rates) | |
| FiPL grant | £1,200.00 | |
| Duration | July 2024- September 20204 | |
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| WV087 | Albough Meadow Restoration | |
| Applicant | Rebecca Meredith | To maintain and enhance the natural biodiversity of the land parcel. Fencing of hedges to provide fuller thicker hedges for nesting birds. Installing guttering on small shed for rainwater harvesting to collect water for livestock and prevent water run-off. Resurfacing the gateway to prevent soil erosion and sediment washing onto the road. |
| Location | Albough Meadow, Hoarwithy, HR2 6QE | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £1,096.89 (CS rates) | |
| FiPL grant | £1,096.89 | |
| Duration | September 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV088 | | Buckstone Common Habitat Restoration part 2 |
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| Applicant | Staunton Parish Council | Installing mains water connection in three locations to allow putting in of three stock drinking troughs on the common for the conservation-grazing cattle. Purchase of hand tools and safety equipment for a new conservation volunteer group. The common still contains remnants of heathland habitats and acid grassland and supports three of the UK's six reptile species, however the lack of open habitat on the common is threatening the long-term future of these species. This second application is part of a long-term restoration project. |
| Location | Staunton Meend | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £2,297.05 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,297.05 | |
| Duration | September 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV089 | | Planting an Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) at Eastbach Court. |
| Applicant | Felix Odey, Eastbach Court Estate | Planting 334m of Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) consisting of 1086 native trees and shrubs in an exposed field, to provide protection to livestock and improve habitat diversity and connectivity on farm. Optimal Shelterbelts play an important role in maintaining the functionality of farm ecosystems and deliver a multitude of benefits, mainly regulating the water cycle, preventing soil erosion and improving wildlife habitats. Improving public access to the farm by replacing a stile with a pedestrian gate on a footpath which crosses the shelterbelt. |
| Location | Eastbach Court, GL16 7ET | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £10,402.36 | |
| FiPL grant | £10,402.36 | |
| Duration | September 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV090 | | Harewood End Lake Restoration |
| Applicant | The Duchy of Cornwall | Restoration of historic lake, including ecological mitigation, desilting and historic structure repair works. The lake dates back to at least the 14th century and was enlarged in the 18th century to current capacity. Currently the lake is leaking around the historic outflow structure and becoming increasingly overgrown. Leaking water is causing issues in fields further down below the lake area. Retaining walls and outflow repairs will preserve the historic structures and allow water levels to retain to the levels from the 18th century. |
| Location | Harewood End Estate, HR2 8DA | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £35,719.20 | |
| FiPL grant | £21,431.52 | |
| Duration | September 2024 – December 2024 | |

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| WV091 | Milk and produce vending machines for the community and tourists. | |
| Applicant | Heather Amos | Purchase and installation of a milk and produce vending machines to enable sales of milk within a reasonable distance of the farm. Improving provision of high quality, nutrient dense milk direct to a rural community and tourists, whilst enabling the farm business to remain viable. |
| Location | Great Trewen Farm, HR9 6ES | |
| Key Themes | Place | |
| Project Value | £28,500.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £19,950.00 | |
| Duration | September 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV092 | Increasing tree cover for the benefit of wildlife and livestock. | |
| Applicant | D & V Stuffins | Increasing tree cover on the farm, which is very exposed to easterly winds in the winter and offers very little protection to livestock, and limited tree and shrub cover for wildlife. Planting 288m of Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) consisting of 751 native trees and shrubs (mixture of 18 native species) in an exposed field, to provide protection to livestock and improve habitat diversity and connectivity on farm. Planting 23 parkland trees of native species, to create better conditions for livestock and improve biodiversity on the farm. |
| Location | Mayview Farm, Ballingham, HR2 6NJ | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £ 12,997.02 | |
| FiPL grant | £ 12,997.02 | |
| Duration | October 2024- March 2025 | |
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| WV093 | People Carrier Trailer – FiPL Access Fund | |
| Applicant | E & H Rudge | Purchasing an accessible people carrier trailer wagon to host a range of groups on the farm, including collaboration with the Wye Valley National Landscape team on Generation Green 2 project, as well as other group visits. |
| Location | Ballingham Court Farm, HR2 6NH | |
| Key Themes | People, Place | |
| Project Value | £19,000.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £15,200.00 | |
| Duration | September 2024 | |
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| WV094 | | Elvastone Farm – Pine Ring and Parkland | |
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| Applicant | John Williams | <p>The project includes planting 18 pine trees to restore a historic a pine ring.</p> <p>This landscape features dates back to the 1800's, with some pine trees now reaching their maximum lifespan. Planting 18 trees would restore the ring to its former footprint.</p> <p>The other part of the works is the planting and guarding of a further 10 parkland trees.</p> | |
| Location | Elvastone Farm, HR2 8JR | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | | |
| Project Value | £5,488.32 | | |
| FiPL grant | £5,488.32 | | |
| Duration | October 2024- February 2025 | | |
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| WV095 | | Bicknor Court Farm – introducing progressive grazing techniques | |
| Applicant | Donna Bowen | <p>Purchasing and installation of Gallagher tumble wheel system fencing equipment and a mobile drag water trough to enable subdividing of fields and successful implementation of strip grazing.</p> <p>This equipment is part of the farm's shift from traditional ranching to progressive grazing practices, fostering more diverse swards and enhancing pasture management.</p> | |
| Location | Bicknor Court Farm, GL16 7PD | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | | |
| Project Value | £1,826.93 | | |
| FiPL grant | £1,244.47 | | |
| Duration | November 2024- March 2025 | | |
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| WV096 | | Planting an Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) at Upper Pengethley Farm. | |
| Applicant | JM, SM & CM Partridge | <p>This will be the second shelterbelt on the farm, the first was planted in winter 2023/24 and has established very well.</p> <p>Planting 350m of Optimal Shelterbelt (OSB) consisting of 1140 native trees and shrubs (mixed native species) in an 11ha exposed field to provide protection to livestock and improve habitat diversity on farm.</p> | |
| Location | Upper Pengethley Farm , HR9 6LL | | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | | |
| Project Value | £9,693.00 | | |
| FiPL grant | £9,693.00 | | |
| Duration | November 2024 – March 2025 | | |
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| WV097 | Lower Witherstone Farm – Bridge | |
| Applicant | Tom Price | Construction and installation of a simple clear-span bridge over Carey Brook to redirect livestock access away from the historic path across an erosion prone bank. Closing off the access to the eroded path, damage contributed to by the topography and multiple spring outfalls, and rewilding the whole section. |
| Location | Lower Witherstone Farm, HR2 6NQ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Nature, Place | |
| Project Value | £3,344.50 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,341.15 | |
| Duration | November 2024- December 2024 | |
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| WV098 | Baseline bird survey on Much Fawley Farm | |
| Applicant | Sally Green | Commissioning a baseline winter bird survey following recent arable reversion and the introduction of environmental measures such as winter bird food and legume fallow across 80% of the farm. The data collected will allow the farm to assess the impact of the environmental options, introduced under the Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI), on bird populations and species diversity over a three-year period. This survey will establish baseline data essential for tracking changes and monitoring biodiversity improvements in the future |
| Location | Much Fawley Farm, HR1 4SP | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £500 | |
| FiPL grant | £500 | |
| Duration | December 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV099 | On Farm Butchery Unit | |
| Applicant | Robert Bowen | To purchase and install a self-contained butchery unit, to process own beef and lamb. This initiative aims to supply the local community and businesses, establishing a long-term outlet for the farm's suckler herd. The new facilities will provide an additional income stream, allowing the farm to reduce stock densities and focus on sustainable production methods. |
| Location | Northgate Farm, HR2 8QF | |
| Key Themes | Nature, People, Place | |
| Project Value | £42,500.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £17,000.00 | |
| Duration | November 2024 – March 2025 | |
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| WV100 | Yard improvements – installing a dirty water tank | |
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| Applicant | D & V Stuffins | <p>The proposal is to fit a dirty water and silt separation tank to catch run off from the concrete yard, alongside other yard improvements funded by Countryside Stewardship.</p> <p>The farm is keen on introducing measures for reducing diffuse pollution, which go above the minimum requirements, to ensure that all silt and sediment from the yard is being captured.</p> |
| Location | Mayview Farm, Ballingham, HR2 6NJ | |
| Key Themes | Climate, Place | |
| Project Value | £3,480.00 | |
| FiPL grant | £2,088.00 | |
| Duration | November 2024- March 2025 | |
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| WV HBRG 01 | | Lower Witherstone Farm – FiPL Historic Buildings Restoration Grant | |
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| Applicant | Tom Price | <p>Repair and restoration of historic West and Middle Barns at Lower Witherstone Farm.</p> <p>The buildings identified for this grant are in a worrying state of repair. While they are still suitable and used for agricultural purposes, they are showing alarming signs of deterioration which cannot go without rectifying. This grant has been identified as an opportunity for a circuit breaker where funding can be sought to introduce skilled trades people who can have a considerable positive effect on the building's condition and indeed prevent further deterioration through other ancillary works. Furthermore, this is an opportunity for the restoration of historic features within the buildings, which can be repurposed for modern agricultural use.</p> | |
| Location | Lower Witherstone Farm, Carey, HR2 6NQ | | |
| Key Themes | Place | | |
| Project Value | £354,872.27 | | |
| FiPL grant | £271,122.41 | | |
| Duration | July 2024- March 2025 | | |
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| WV HBRG 02 | | Ballingham Court Farm – FiPL Historic Buildings Restoration Grant | |
| Applicant | Ballingham Court Farm / E. Rudge | <p>Repairs to the roofs and exterior of the agricultural, pre 1940 'Tollet' barn.</p> <p>The 'Tollet' barn at Ballingham Court Farm is an agricultural building in 2 distinct, adjoining parts. It is an integral part of the farmstead, positioned centrally amidst a group of modern (1960s) farm buildings.</p> <p>Fixing the roofs and exterior will allow continuing using the barn for agricultural purposes. It is an important facility for the business, used for lambing and housing some of the cattle. It also provides the farm with a workshop space.</p> <p>Additionally, repairing the exterior will improve the visual quality of the village and locality – the farm is located in one of the more picturesque meanders of the River Wye.</p> | |
| Location | Ballingham, HR2 6NH | | |
| Key Themes | Place | | |
| Project Value | £88,847.00 | | |
| FiPL grant | £71,077.60 | | |
| Duration | July 2024- March 2025 | | |
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