Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

Farming in Protected Landscapes Report 2025-2026

YORKSHIRE DALES National Park Authority

Agreement reference	Business Name, Town	Grant Awarded	Total Project Cost	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Project Description
YD307	Johnson & Devlin, Sedbergh	£1,207.23	£1,235.25	16/02/2026	31/03/2026	Tree planting to stabilise soil and provide improved habitat for flora and fauna in a rolling program containing 100+ trees planted and protected from livestock.
YD306	DW & AS Noble, Ravenstonedale	£6,362.23	£9,384.91	12/01/2026	31/03/2026	Replacement of windows to help weatherproof Grade II listed barn. Restoration of pinfold to preserve the historic structure as a landscape feature and to exclude stock (intended future use of pinfold is as a wildflower area and seedbank for meadow plants). Pinfold signage (including QR code for relevant National Park webpage) to inform public about traditional farming methods & structures.
YD304	Ireby Hall, Cowan Bridge	£26,366.58	£37,021.92	16/01/2026	31/03/2026	Restoration of two sheepfolds in Ireby and Cocketts along with 100m+ of drystone wall restoration, new field gates and the construction of a whole new sheepfold in Kingsdale.
YD303	Curlew Croft, Drybeck	£12,185.72	£12,185.72	22/12/2025	31/03/2026	Habitat creation through restoration of a historic pond and planting 275m of wide hedgerows. Project included fencing associated with hedgerow works and stock-proofing (gapping up) dry stone wall.
YD301	New House, Long Preston	£15,480.30	£25,025.39	16/12/2025	31/03/2026	A two-part project providing 980 meters of fencing to protect new hedgerow planting designed to increase habitat diversity and sequester carbon while dividing field parcels to facilitate rotational grazing and a meat vending machine, located at the Courtyard Dairy in Austwick, allowing local farmer to sell produce directly to the public.
YD300	Dinsdale, Leyburn	£17,245.90	£17,245.90	07/01/2026	31/03/2026	Planting of 320m of new hedgerows protected from livestock and pests with rabbit netting and the planting of 10 native trees on a difficult to graze banking protected with cactus guards to facilitate woodland meadow restoration and a new footpath gate into the meadow.

YD299	Hazel Brow Farm Holidays & Visitor Centre, Low Row	£22,074.84	£45,476.10	07/01/2026	31/03/2026	Enhancements to indoor space to provide a comfortable environment for on-farm volunteers and visiting groups. Improvements to facility will enable use by care farming groups in addition to current offer for public and school groups. Project included upgrading electricity (following self-funded connection to national grid); installation of heating, durable flooring and sink area in ground floor room of visitor centre, plus waste water treatment plant. Biodiversity enhancements include plug planting wildflower species and creating pathways through fencing to allow movement of hedgehogs.
YD298	Barningham Estate Farms Ltd	£42,535.20	£53,169.00	10/11/2025	31/03/2026	This project provides the basis for a triple win for farmers within the YDNP: Harvesting and collecting heather to help sustain a biodiverse mosaic of upland vegetation, Providing a productive alternative to controlled burning for wildfire mitigation, Create new revenue opportunities through the production of high-quality peat free compost for the horticultural market.
YD297	S J Raw, Leyburn	£48,764.98	£54,706.22	23/01/2026	31/03/2026	Regenerative grazing at Hollins Farm and access improvements. 15 field parcels converted into smaller paddocks or set up for strip grazing as part of a rotational grazing plan. Short sections of fencing, metal gates, water supply infrastructure and electric fencing, plus forage analysis.

YD296	A Robinson, Carnforth	£26,333.66	£44,647.19	23/01/2026	31/03/2026	Further expansion of the existing share farm agreement between Kate Blue (Landowner) and Alan Robinson (farmer) calls for further investment in fencing infrastructure to continue to build a resilient, regenerative business that AMP grazes native breed cattle through wood pasture, traditional hay meadows and permanent pasture. Electric fencing with a single strand of wire around all boundaries, reducing labour and adding flexibility to the AMP grazing system. An ATV bale unroller to assist with rolling out winter forage for the 50 head of breeding cows plus followers on the deferred grazing. A flexible water system on the newly included land, including a water tank and associated pipework to enable AMP grazing to take place.
YD294	Gibbs Hall Grange	£12,299.38	£16,969.87	22/12/2025	31/03/2026	Funding towards the purchasing of two sets of three strand wire temporary electric fencing systems to facilitate rotational grazing and the infrastructure consisting of drag water troughs and associated pipework to ensure livestock welfare while grazing areas with limited water access. The creation of shelterbelt woodland within a field parcel.
YD293	Moorhen Farm / Roova Arts	£5,564.70	£9,274.50	16/12/2025	31/03/2026	Restoration of natural assets and support regenerative agriculture, expand inclusive access and educational engagement on the farm. The farm has recently expanded with the purchase of a new field, providing an opportunity to deliver significant environmental, social, and educational outcomes aligned with the goals of the Farming in Protected Landscapes scheme.
YD292	T M Harrison, Threshfield	£24,010.47	£55,120.47	26/11/2025	31/03/2026	Demolition of an old workshop and installation of a short stay camping pod. Restoration of riparian strip by excluding livestock and planting 50 trees.

YD291	William Thomas Metcalfe & Sons	£9,404.25	£9,404.25	01/10/2025	31/03/2026	Planting 233 trees and guards along Shaws Lane, traditional stone wall restoration and 496m sheep netting, installation of 1 stone step stile, 8 ft wooden gate to provide an alternative permissive route for the public when cattle are in the field.
YD290	J R Wellock	£5,523.05	£5,523.05	07/11/2025	31/03/2026	Creation of a 3m wide buffer strip around the perimeter of Eshton Tarn through 340m of sheep netting and a field gate.
YD288	Aikrigg, Carnforth	£3,733.09	£5,163.43	02/02/2026	31/03/2026	To provide basic but vital infrastructure to host small groups onsite, focussed on art and ecological restoration.
YD287	W & M Bland & C Wildman, Skipton	£9,523.20	£9,523.20	01/10/2025	31/03/2026	236 metres of wall restoration & footpath improvements at Malham – Arncliffe SSSI along roadside between Malham Tarm and Malham village. Replacement of two styles, a wooden gate for a footpath route to the nearby smelt mill chimney.
YD285	Moorhen Farm / Roova Arts	£22,153.15	£34,978.87	22/10/2025	31/03/2026	Aiming to restore natural assets, support regenerative agriculture, and expand inclusive access and educational engagement on the farm. The farm has recently expanded with the purchase of a new field, providing an opportunity to deliver significant environmental, social, and educational outcomes aligned with the goals of the Farming in Protected Landscapes scheme.

YD284	Wildscapes Retreat & Campsite	£9,735.10	£11,990.16	07/11/2025	31/03/2026	The High Greenside Nature Access, Wellbeing & Learning Diversification Project will enhance access to the natural environment through the creation of a car park and footpath, support biodiversity through tree planting and fencing, and promote wellbeing and learning through engagement, marketing, and educational outreach. This project forms part of a wider farm diversification strategy, including a low-impact campsite and nature-based wellbeing retreats. This project also includes the Haytime initiative, which will use four additional fields to expand tree planting, footpath creation, and visitor access, further enhancing biodiversity, wellbeing, and learning opportunities across the wider farm landscape.
YD283	JE Hadwin, Carnforth	£5,684.11	£7,999.52	01/10/2025	31/03/1026	Electric fencing of field bordering River Lune, investing in a faecal egg count machine to reduce use of wormers Restoration of small traditional bridge.
YD282	Karen Rainford, Dent	£69,660.15	£86,349.75	01/10/2025	31/03/2026	Repairs to Grade II listed barn Hay meadow restoration around barn 1.45 hectares. Hedgerow repair and planting Dry stone wall repair 15 metres.
YD281	Arncliffe Cote Farm	£5,706.80	£7,133.50	18/11/2025	31/03/2026	Improved management of SSSI and priority habitat through the fitting of 30 NoFence collars to native breed cattle.
YD280	W & H Sutcliffe, Skipton	£5,242.85	£5,242.85	01/10/202	31/03/2025	Improving biodiversity of rough grazing land at Gill Heads Mine and improving access for all. 345 metres of new fencing to restrict grazing (including new gates). Improving the experience for visitors passing through with a picnic bench and QR codes for information on YDNP and the locality.

YD279	Upper Wharfedale Agricultural Society (Kilnsey Show)	£66,196.60	£94,635.25	31/08/2025	31/03/2026	Kilnsey Show, show-field equipment Replacement and upgrades of show infrastructure, allowing new equipment to be shared with smaller agricultural shows, improving signage to inform public about food and farming, new ticket booths for the entrance points.
YD277	Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority	£5,924.30	£7,499.68	25/08/2026	31/03/2026	Ancient semi natural woodland management and the improvement of outreach facilities at Cleatop Wood
YD275	Cumbria Wildlife Trust, Kendal	£12,482.57	£15,635.40	18/08/2025	31/03/2026	Bowber Head access and interpretation Cattle grid to facilitate visitor parking. Interpretation to enhance education and visitor experience and a gate to improve public access.
YD274	DA and MAM Brown, Leyburn	£16,103.85	£16,446.61	22/09/2025	31/03/2026	Regenerative grazing through hedgerow creation at Swineside. 350 metres of double fenced hedgerow creation and associated gates. Fencing off field corner, re-profiling public footpath with drainage and new hand gate.
YD273	J C Crabtree & Son, Skipton	£30,769.25	£50,616.37	13/08/2025	31/03/2026	Regenerative grazing at Bolton Park Farm Small paddock creation through temporary electric fencing and water infrastructure.
YD272	Orton Fell Farm Cluster Group CIC, Orton	£81,924.46	£81,924.46	15/09/2025	31/03/2026	Landscape scale connectivity with the project implementing works across farms in the Orton Fell Farm Cluster Group: 1,567 metres of boundary hedging between member farms. 50 infield trees. 500 metres of riverside fencing plus pond creation and dry stone wall repair.
YD271	SJ & CJ Handley, Carnforth	£50,528.35	£62,682.12	01/08/2025	31/03/2026	30 metres of drystone wall repair with difficult site top-up. 15 metres of drystone wall repair In field barn restoration, re-roof and gable end rebuild.

YD270	R & H Hird, Reeth	£34,121.42	£45,935.17	20/08/2025	31/03/2026	To drain a garth to restore suitable livestock grazing. Farm Energy Audit. New fencing to protect watercourses. 385 metres of new hedgerow with a wildflower base. Wild flower planting along the beck side. Install a borehole as a water source and troughs as a drinking source with 400 metres of pipework. Planting of 1 parkland oak tree and 5 fruit trees. 4 water troughs and hard bases Restoration of a retaining wall along the beck side to prevent further erosion and flooding.
YD269	Croft Farm Partnership, Hawes	£4,391.23	£4,391.23	01/09/2025	31/03/2026	31 metres of hedgerow creation. 2 x water troughs in floodplain pastures and fencing to prevent cattle access in one of these pastures. Revenue payment for hay meadow restoration.
YD267	D Hodgson, Hawes	£33,878.80	£45,344.80	14/07/2025	31/03/2026	Restoration of a historic barn Planting on the banking of Wensleydale railway line Flail mower for rush management and breed wader habitat Permissive footpath works along railway to join up footpath to Askrigg Bottoms and Worton Bottoms.
YD266	Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust, Clapham	£23,667.50	£34,072.10	18/07/2025	31/03/2026	Yorkshire Dales Hay-time project: Restoring and enhancing meadows using local provenance seed and plug plants and delivering events, monitoring and training to engage people with traditional hay meadows.
YD264	Yorkshire Peat Partnership, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, York	£60,048.54	£96,753.83	01/07/2025	31/03/2026	Yorkshire Peat Partnership (YPP), in collaboration with Nethergill Farm at Oughtershaw, delivering a citizen science and inclusive arts based project to engage communities in the importance of peatland restoration. This project will address barriers to access, build climate and ecological awareness, and promote inclusive community participation in conservation.

YD263	GSC Grays Ltd, Richmond	£48,896.83	£59,427.03	01/10/2025	31/03/2026	15 farm carbon audits and management plans for farm businesses across the National Park.40% contribution for farmers for Agrecalc Licences. The delivery of 2 workshops for farmers, situated in 2 geographic areas covered by the National Park. The workshops aim to engage farmers in conversation around reducing carbon. 1 wrap-up workshop to highlight aggregated findings and key mitigation measures followed by a key-findings report for YDNP.
YD262	Farmer Network, Penrith	£24,361.00	£24,361.00	01/08/2025	31/03/2026	Support and advice for farmers in the Yorkshire Dales, focusing on 5 workshops aimed at supporting farm business resilience following changes to payment rates during the agricultural transition. A voucher programme worth 40% of the value of advice up to a maximum of £500. Support for the next generation of young farmers aged 18 to 40 providing 1:1 support tailored to their needs, and networking opportunities. An open farm event to showcase to the public the role farming plays in shaping landscape and supporting the environment of the Yorkshire Dales National Park.
YD261	Yorkshire Dales Millenium Trust, Clapham	£12,350.00	£12,350.00	15/09/2025	31/03/2026	Funded educational visits for 6 underrepresented groups from Bradford and Leeds, partnering with 5 Yorkshire Dales farmers known for their focus on nature, conservation farming and heritage. To provide practical and mindful experiences with small groups of 10-15 people. In addition, the delivery of a nature friendly farming session with YDMT Youth Forum and Rural Apprentices.
YD260	Malhamdale Agricultural & Horticultural Society	£2,204.00	£4,408.00	24/10/2025	31/03/2026	Improving the existing footpath through the field to ensure visitors can use the footpath rather than the main road into the village.

YD259	R Hudson, Malham	£3,957.00	£7,914.00	01/10/2025	31/03/2026	Improving the existing footpath through the field to ensure visitors can use the footpath rather than the main road into the village.
YD258	Ghyllstones Farm, Malham	£1,980.50	£3,961.00	03/10/2025	31/03/2026	Improving the existing footpath through the field to ensure visitors can use the footpath rather than the main road into the village.
YD257	Northern Stars Academy Trust, Skipton	£59,089.88	£59,089.88	01/09/2025	31/03/2026	Farm Twinning Programme: Funded school visits for primary school children allowing meaningful outdoor learning experiences to children who otherwise would have limited access to green spaces or rural environments. To support children to connect with nature, understand food production, and develop a sense of environmental responsibility.
YD256	Jamie's Farm, Skipton	£76,574.00	£124,109.60	29/07/2025	31/03/2026	Funded school visits for 8 months for at risk young people to a working livestock farm, Jamie's Farm; to provide education about food and farming, and access to the countryside. Tree planting
YD255	S. & R. J. Calvert, Hazel Brow Farm, Richmond	£103,018.00	£255,418.00	01/07/2025	31/03/2026	Repurposing of traditional farm building to provide accommodation facilities. Plug planting to restore species-rich hay meadows Planting 100 (willow) trees to help stabilise the riverbank and reduce erosion of a section of the Coast-to-Coast footpath.
YD254	J & T Hunter, Sedbergh	£8,961.11	£8,961.11	10/07/2025	31/03/2025	Pond creation (approx. 32metres ^{2}), track resurfacing, cross field swale/ditch and tree planting to better manage surface water flooding.
YD253	Pasture-Fed Livestock Association CIC t/a Pasture for Life, Skipton	£27,843.86	£27,843.86	01/07/2025	31/03/2026	Established in 2022, Pasture and Profit in Protected Landscapes enables farmers to ensure their businesses are financially and ecologically resilient for the future through: 1-1 and group mentoring support; an event programme curated by participants; and wider community building.

YD252	Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, Bainbridge (Hawes)	£13,210.00	£41,613.50	09/06/2025	31/03/2026	Footpath improvement works to 240 metres of public right of way to prevent erosion and damage to Malham-Arncliffe SSSI and improve accessibility.
YD250	Telfit Farm Partnership, Richmond	£30,868.71	£35,866.31	01/06/2025	31/03/2026	Implementation and promotion of regenerative agriculture and habitat restoration works at Telfit Farm, including purchase of equipment (electric fencing, drag troughs and pipes) for mob grazing and bale unroller for winter bale grazing. Amendments to improve soil health (e.g. compost, gypsum and biological stimulants) On-farm tours and events to demonstrate the benefits of regenerative agriculture. Installation of bird boxes across the farm.
YD249	Crosby Ravensworth Parish Tree Group (CRPTG) acting on behalf of Brackenslack Farm, Orton	£6,603.90	£8,101.60	01/07/2025	31/03/2026	Planting of 91 metres of hedgerow and gapping up of 144 metres of old hedgerow
YD248	Crosby Ravensworth Parish Tree Group (CRPTG) acting on behalf of Jonathan Taylor, Orton	£4,279.60	£5,233.15	01/07/2025	31/03/2026	Planting of 1000 mixed native broadleaf trees on a rectangular site connecting with existing hedges
YD247	Bolton Estate, Leyburn	£18,667.07	£31,111.78	21/05/2025	31/03/2026	Purchase of a specialist drone and associated surveying equipment to assist the Estate’s curlew conservation efforts. The kit will be used to help understand breeding curlew population size and distribution in order to inform conservation and land-management measures.

YD246	Swineley Restoration Ltd, Hawes	£28,485.80	£31,561.80	08/07/2025	31/03/2026	Creation of new freshwater habitat by importing woody debris into Widdale beck, and re-establishing channel braiding and backwaters along a 1400m reach of the river. Planting along 3 small tributaries of the river in the upper parts of the farm to provide flowers, shade and habitat diversity.
YD242	DJ & S Stainton, Kendal	£6,392.00	£7,990.00	15/08/2025	31/03/2026	Replacement of timber loft floor of the main barn and 4 windows. Reinstatement of rainwater goods to main barn
YD238	Messrs RA and SV Hird, Austwick	£19,641.66	£35,884.56	01/06/2025	31/03/2026	Farm diversification project to provide bespoke accommodation to enhance and expand facilities available to users of the local bridleway network. Tree planting works to extend tree shelter belt and help manage water run-off.
YD235	Beatrice Farrer, Ingleborough Estate, Clapham	£49,960.00	£62,450.00	23/12/2025	31/03/2026	Renovation and repairs to a Grade II listed log store along very busy public right of way. Works include replacing the roof, rebuilding the stone pillars and replacing structural timber.
YD232	Ashington Farm, Leyburn	£20,208.00	£25,260.00	11/06/2025	28/02/2026	Repair works to roof, walls, lintels and windows on traditional Yorkshire Dales stone barn.
YD228	P M & A R Tyson, Orton	£18,679.22	£18,679.22	31/07/2025	31/03/2026	Traditional restoration of 130m of Dry Stone Wall along field boundary. Creation of a 220m of new hedgerow and associated single line fence to create habitat, shelter and wildlife corridor. Fencing off an area of wetland in existing field to prevent further damage from livestock and provide a wetland habitat.
YD222	Low Beckside Farm, Sedbergh	£5,160.07	£9,363.01	23/07/2025	31/03/2026	Pond construction and implementation - for the benefit of wildlife. Following the successful trialling of a solar water pump, an additional pumping system in another land parcel.
YD221	F Hogg, Skipton	£4,840.00	£6,050.00	01/04/2025	31/12/2025	Repair works to preserve historic traditional pig sty (of similar era to stone hay barn within close proximity, which has a build date stone dated 1722).