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Significant projects for 2023/24

Farming in Protected Landscapes

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- Helping farmers and land managers to make the transition to a new system of support (‘public money for public goods’)

- £870,000 provided in 2022/23
- £1.5 million to give out in 2023/24
- £2.2 million in 2024/25

Westmorland Dales

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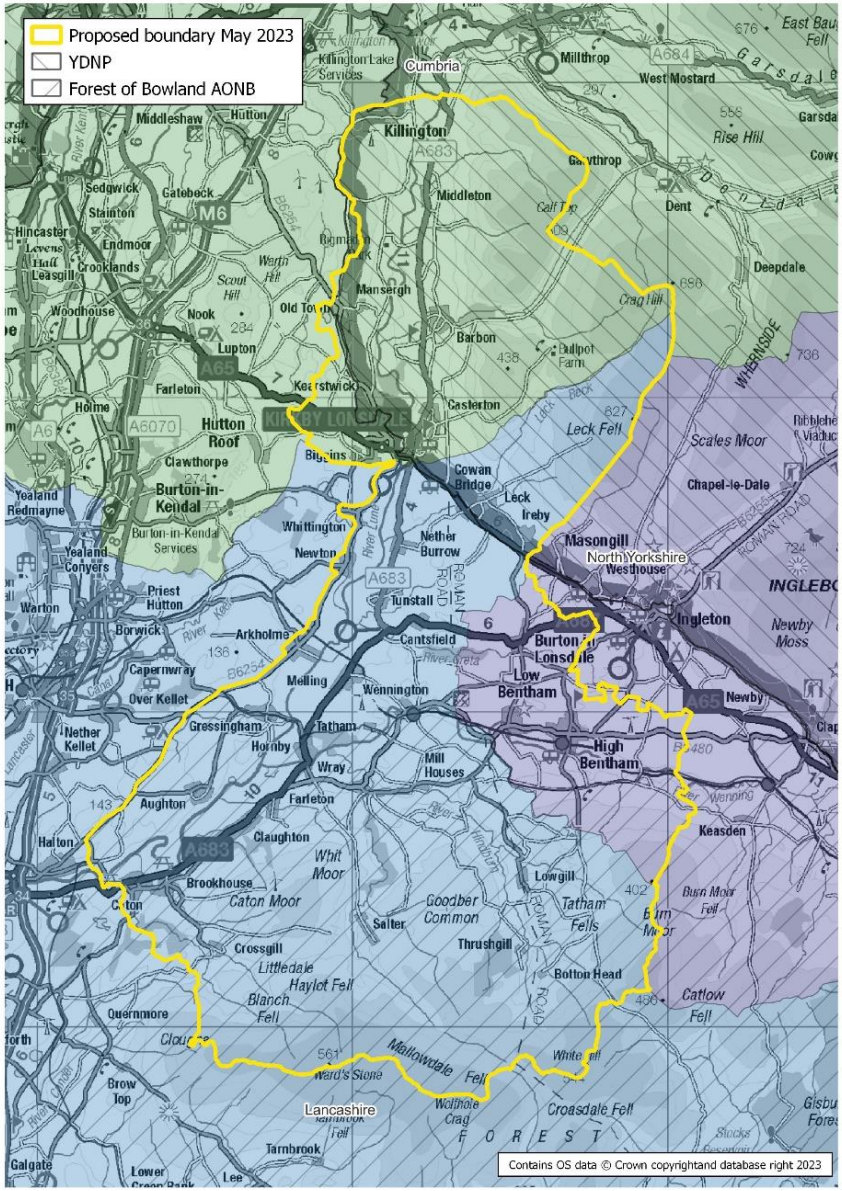
- Partnership with Friends of the Lake District
- £2.5 million NLHF grant, which has supported a 5-year £3.5 million investment programme including:
  - Apprenticeships
  - Farmer and tourism business events and workshops
  - Archaeological digs & surveys
  - Barn restoration
  - Extension of the Yorkshire Dales cycleway
- 2023 is the final year of the programme

Three Counties



- Based around Kirkby Lonsdale, Working with YDMT and FoB AONB
- At initial stages of developing a £4m scheme.
- Projects grouped around
  - Connecting People to the Landscape
  - Connecting Nature
  - Connecting People to their Heritage

Rights of Way

- 91% of routes were easy to use last year

- Investment in 2023/24 includes:
  - 800m of bridleway at Bowderdale;
  - Extensive repairs to footpaths at Havera, Sedbergh and Gunnerside Bottoms;
  - Replacing Thringill Bridge, Mallerstang and repair Skellicks Bridge Thoralby, in partnership with parish councils

Catchment Sensitive Farming

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- Reducing diffuse pollution from agriculture
- Advice to 100s of farmers each year
- Grants to carry out improvements

Sustainable Development Fund

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Supporting local projects that bring economic, social and environmental benefits

£155,000 available in grants for 2023/24

Tees-Swale: Naturally Connected

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- Partnership with North Pennines AONB
- £9m, 5-year programme, supporting farmers and landowners in Swaledale and Teesdale to restore, expand and connect priority habitats

Made possible with Heritage Fund

- In 2023/24, will fund:
  - Habitat restoration (hay meadows, peatland, woodland);
  - Training for farmers and contractors
  - Trainee placements
  - Educational access for schools
  - Farming film festival

Grow Back Greener

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- Led by the Woodland Trust with funding from the Nature for Climate Fund;
- Delivered by YDNPA in the National Park
- Funds the creation of new native broadleaf woodland;
- Funding in 2023/24 to create 60 ha of new woodland.

National Park Management Plan

- Preparing the next National Park Management Plan

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