Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

Farming in Protected Landscapes Report 2026-2027

YORKSHIRE DALES National Park Authority

Agreement reference	Business Name, Town	Grant Awarded	Total Project Cost	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Project Description
YD331	J H & S M Mason, Settle	£2,300.00	£2,300.00	tbc	31/03/2027	Infrastructure to support the storage and charging of an all-terrain tramper, improving access to the countryside for people with reduced mobility. The project builds on previous FiPL-funded accessibility improvements in the area.
YD329	J Duffus & Son, Leyburn	£18,038.55	£18,038.55	tbc	31/03/2027	Habitat creation, permissive access and grazing management improvements through hedgerow planting, fencing and livestock infrastructure. The works will create wildlife corridors, improve the management of priority habitats and provide safer public access away from the public highway.
YD327	Hill Top Farm, Skipton	£5,035.00	£5,035.00	25/08/2026	31/03/2027	Training for two novice drystone wallers, delivered by experienced local wallers, alongside a public event promoting traditional walling skills and heritage. The project will help build local walling capacity and support the long-term conservation of the Yorkshire Dales' iconic drystone walls.
YD326	AT & BJ Thornton-Berry, Leyburn	£26,749.02	£46,311.90	01/09/2026	31/03/2027	Expansion of rural childcare provision alongside the development of farm, nature and heritage learning opportunities for young children. The project will increase nursery capacity, improve access, enhance biodiversity and support sustainable grazing management

YD325	Pasture-Fed Livestock Association CIC t/a Pasture for Life	£23,308.20	£28,308.20	22/09/2026	31/03/2027	Farmer mentoring, business support and training to help Yorkshire Dales farmers improve farm performance, reduce input costs and adopt nature-friendly farming practices. The programme builds on previous Pasture and Profit in Protected Landscapes funding and will continue to provide peer-to-peer learning and knowledge exchange.
YD324	G & ID Postlethwaite, Sedbergh	£5,070.00	£5,070.00	17/08/2026	31/03/2027	375m of hedgerow laying as part of the Riddings Hedge Management programme. The works build on previous FiPL-supported boundary restoration projects and will enhance habitat connectivity, biodiversity and landscape character.
YD322	Wild Garsdale Pike, near Sedbergh	£2,248.29	£3,681.99	10/09/2026	31/03/2027	Infrastructure and equipment to support conservation grazing, habitat management and youth engagement at Wild Garsdale Pike, including livestock handling equipment, fencing and a water purification system. The works will support ongoing conservation activities, volunteer involvement and environmental monitoring across the site.
YD321	Ward Smith Pool House, near Sedbergh	£35,806.34	£36,799.21	21.09/2026	31/03/2028	778m of hedgerow restoration and protection, creation of 0.35 acres of woodland and a wildlife pond, restoration of 43.3m of drystone wall, and footpath access improvements. The works will enhance wildlife corridors, biodiversity and landscape connectivity.
YD320	Crosby Ravensworth Parish Tree Group acting on behalf of Woodfoot Farm	£9,922.08	£11,789.58	09/10/2026	31/03/2027	This project will deliver 288m of hedgerow planting with 30 trees. It forms part of a wider parish-scale programme to replace trees lost to disease and storms and strengthen the local hedgerow network.

YD319	Crosby Ravensworth Parish Tree Group acting on behalf of Midtown Farm	£12,862.29	£13,533.95	09/10/2026	31/03/2028	178m of hedgerow planting with 20 trees and the restoration of a traditional retaining wall along historic boundary lines. It forms part of a wider parish-scale programme to replace trees lost to disease and storms and strengthen the local hedgerow network.
YD318	Crosby Ravensworth Parish Tree Group acting on behalf of Lankaber Farm	£5,048.90	£5,348.90	09/10/2026	31/03/2027	140m of hedgerow planting and 10 trees, contributing to landscape restoration and habitat connectivity. The project forms part of a wider parish-scale programme to replace trees lost to disease and storms and to strengthen the local hedgerow network.
YD317	Castle Rigg Farm, Sedbergh	£21,428.46	£21,428.46	04/09/2026	31/03/2027	Building on a previous FiPL project, this application will deliver meadow restoration, hedgerow creation and SSSI woodland protection, enhancing biodiversity and habitat connectivity. The project supports the farm's ongoing transition to a low-input grazing system and long-term environmental improvements.
YD316	Sheep and Beef Grassland Collective, Penrith	£6,846.19	£6,846.19	11/08/2026	31/03/2027	Delivery of farmer-led training and knowledge sharing to help local farmers improve livestock management, reduce input costs and enhance environmental sustainability.
YD315	DA & AM Chalmers, Appleby-in-Westmorland	£8,662.08	£10,827.60	03/07/2026	31/03/2027	Access improvements at Nag’s Head Farm Laying of 740m2 of Bodpave tracks across the site.
YD314	Jamie’s Farm, Coniston	£221,304.36	£611,979.89	21/09/2026	31/03/2029	Accessible, immersive residential programmes for young people from underserved communities to access the qualities of their local landscapes and National Park, alongside habitat creation at Haugh Field Farm.

YD313	F.W. Horner & Son, Buckden	£6,296.70	£7,440.10	25/08/2026	31/03/2027	Bracken Management with pigs at Redmire Farm. 175m of stock fencing with difficult site supplement, plus 1145m additional wire across site to secure piglets. GPS ear tags and associated items for tracking the adult pigs.
YD312	Swineley Conservation Ltd	£17,869.00	£17,869.00	Tbc	31/03/2027	Swineley: enhancing natural flood management and biodiversity in tributaries of Widdale beck.
YD311	The Farmer Network Ltd, Penrith	£119,345.40	£119,345.40	01/06/2026	31/03/2029	The Farmer Network – providing workshops, one-to-one support, and opportunities for the next generation of farmers, alongside research, farmer focus groups, and initiatives that strengthen farm businesses and raise public understanding of the vital relationship between farming and the landscape.
YD310	G & G Schofield, Buckden	£12,574.14	£16,498.94	08/06/2026	31/03/2027	Development of regenerative farming at Heber Farm and improvement of facilities at Buckden Camping & Pods including educational access.
YD309	EmpowerAg Ltd	£153,502.22	£153,502.22	01/06/2026	31/03/2029	Craven Countryside Learning Project A three-year education programme delivering farm visits and school outreach sessions to connect young people with farming, food production, nature, and the benefits of the local environment.
YD308	Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust, Clapham	£163,357.74	£177,374.03	01/06/2026	31/03/2029	Yorkshire Dales Hay Time Restoring and enhancing meadows using local provenance seed and plug plants and delivering events, monitoring and training to engage people with traditional hay meadows.