

Farming in Protected Landscapes Programme Year 4 2024/2025

	Project	Description	Overall Project Cost	Farming in Protected Landscapes Grant *
1	Using drones to manage and mitigate wildfires within the Norfolk Coast Protected Landscape	Drones to enable quicker identification of fire spread enabling the efficient identification of trigger points of fire development and windows of opportunity for fire attacks to mitigate damage to Farmland, Property and Biodiversity from wildfires.	£1,820.20	£1,456.64
2	Biodiversity baseline from Northgate Hall Farm	Quantifying a baseline measure of biodiversity for 77ha at Northgate Hall Farm using the rePLANET and Mozaic Earth approach, in line with the Wallacea Methodology. The project will trial a lower cost alternative to traditional in-field ecological assessments for biodiversity quantification	£13,451.00	£9,000.00
3	Repairs to traditional barn roof at Norfolk Saffron	This project involved re-roofing a traditional barn using original pantiles and ridge tiles, the installation of sparrow nest boxes.	£10,138.01	£8,110.41
4	Deer Management on the Brancaster Estate	Purchasing equipment for monitoring and managing the deer numbers across 700ha of landscape where deer numbers are impacting on farmland and habitat such as woodland & hedgerows. The project follows best practice guidance, a deer management plan and a monitoring programme.	£11,835.45	£9,333.36
5	Old Hunstanton Restoration of Sand dunes	A continuation of sea buckthorn control along the dunes, based on the great success of last years work which has already demonstrated how a diverse ground flora can re colonise the dune slacks, including marsh orchids. The project also	£7,000.00	£5,600.00

		reduces fire risk, erosion and improves access for visitors.		
6	Amphibious Reed cutting machine at Cley Nature Reserve	A grant towards a very specialist amphibious cutting machine for management of reed, fen and dyke vegetation at Cley nature reserve. These habitats require managing in winter and outside of the nesting bird period. As a result of increasingly wet winters access around the site can become limited, and without the sympathetic management at the optimal time of year, niche habitats can be lost to natural succession. This machine will make access possible over a wide area of these important coastal marshes and can potentially be used on other nature reserves as well.	£121,425.00	£72,855.00
7	Equipment for managing grassland, Felbeck Trust	Purchase of a power scythe and battery powered mower for use by volunteers when managing grassland areas and paths on sites that they manage. Warmer wetter growing seasons have led to faster growth and make grassland management by volunteers with scythes alone unmanageable.	£6,815.90	£4,310.23
8	Sedgeford Historical and Archaeological Project (SHARP) Sustainability Project	This project is to support a long-term archaeological site and charity to become more sustainable and less reliant on hiring in diesel generators and chemical toilets for their residential summer camps. Purchase of solar panels and compost toilets will free up money each year that can be spent on supporting & training volunteers and buying archaeological surveying equipment.	£75,563.36	£60,450.00
9	New enhanced access to Holkham Beach (Peddars	With approximately 1million visitors per year, there is a great	£65,832.35	£52,665.88

	Way & Norfolk Coast Path, National Trail).	<p>opportunity to enhance access for all onto Holkham Beach on the Peddars Way & Norfolk Coast Path, National Trail. A new wider 260m boardwalk will be built using a glass/recycled plastic framework that will last around 80years. It will make access easier for all visitors from the parking area and facilities. It is the only fully accessible route to the beach for several miles in either east or west directions. Enhancing this path also keeps visitors to the defined National trail, reducing the desire to find alternative routes through the dunes or pine woods, which can disturb habitats and wildlife in this protected landscape.</p>		
10	Thornham Wild Orchard. Drove Orchards Ltd.	<p>Planting of a new 250 tree organic, community accessible orchard on Thornham Jubilee Meadow. The orchard will comprise of apple varieties for eating and cooking, grafted onto varying rootstocks and planted informally to replicate a traditional older orchard with many biodiversity benefits. This habitat has declined greatly over the last century and is particularly important for invertebrates, birds, small mammals and wildflowers.</p>	£5,148.81	£4,126.25
				<p>*This column refers to the amount of FiPL grant offered to the project. The grant amount claimed by the project on completion may be less than this figure.</p>