

# Schemes & Grants

The new Environmental Stewardship Scheme provides an excellent opportunity for you to help wildlife and the environment on your farm as well as securing an additional income stream. FWAG can help you to access this grant aid as well as advise you on the other national and local grant schemes available to you.



FWAG is the leading independent organisation offering advice on farming and environmental issues and can help you get the best scheme for your farm and the environment.

With over a 95% success rate for scheme approval, FWAG has helped put £113m 'Green Money' back into British agriculture in the last two years.

**Your local FWAG Adviser can design, prepare and submit a grant application that suits:**

- Your personal interests
- Your farming system
- The local wildlife and environment

## What you receive

Your FWAG Adviser will ensure that the most appropriate scheme has been chosen for your farm. They will work with you to choose options that conserve and enhance the key habitats, species and other features but also match your farming system and take account of your individual circumstances.

Your application will be professionally constructed to offer the best chance of success. FWAG can also provide a Scheme **Landmanager**<sup>®</sup> plan which will contain key actions and management advice to help you to implement the scheme for the duration of your agreement. FWAG can even help you with the claim process to ensure that your grant payments are correct and paid on time.



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FWAG can help you manage your scheme over the duration of the agreement, so helping you to get the most out of the agreement and ensuring that all the requirements and targets are met.



## In England, FWAG can help with the following schemes...

### Entry Level Stewardship (ELS)

- A whole farm scheme, open to all farmers
- Guaranteed flat rate payment per hectare to all farmers who can meet a scoring threshold based on a points system linked to environmental gain
  - £30/ha all land except;
  - £8/ha LFA land in parcels of 15ha or more
- Choose from 50+ possible options

### Organic Entry Level Stewardship (OELS)

- Similar to ELS but gives a payment of £60/ha for eligible organic land and £8/ha LFA land in parcels of 15ha or more.

### English Woodland Grant Scheme (EWGS)

- A new suite of woodland grants was launched in Spring 2005, offering incentives for sustainable woodland creation and management

FWAG can guide you at every stage of the planning and application process, including the preparation of a woodland management plan.

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### Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)

- A competitive scheme that is open to all farmers. Higher Level Stewardship is targeted at specific priority features and areas across each county. Only the best applications, defined as those that show the most benefit to the environment and deliver 'value for money' will be accepted.
- Farmers applying to the HLS first require a Farm Environment Plan (FEP) which records all the habitats and features across your farm.
- You can choose from a wide range of environmental and conservation options for your farm where these enhance the key habitats and features identified in the Farm Environmental Plan.
- Payments vary according to the options included in your final agreement.

FWAG can prepare your Farm Environmental Plan and your HLS application and can support your scheme at every stage of preparation and implementation.



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