Shropshire Hills National Landscape – Farming in Protected Landscapes Programme - List of Funded Projects 2021-25

Projects approved for funding in 2021-22

Project applicant / title	Description	FiPL grant awarded	Total project value	Duration of project
SHR001 Lizzie Hulton-	Grant to support landowners attend two training courses on regenerative	£2,509.50	£3,585.00	Sept 2021-
Harrop, Pollardine Farm,	management. The courses are a 9-day Holistic Management Comprehensive course,			March 2022
Pontesbury: Training	accredited by the Savory Institute, and a Conservation Grazing in Practice, 2-day course,			
courses for transition to	accredited by LANTRA. The courses are helping the landowners to change their farming			
regenerative agriculture	practices to regenerate their soil, improve profitability, quality of life, and learn how to use			
	livestock to achieve environmental objectives. Knowledge gained will be shared with other local farmers/landowners.			
SHR002 Derek & Deirdre	The project will divide a 15ha field to enable managed rotational grazing which will improve	£19,561.80	£19,561.80	Oct 2021-
Beavan, Graig Farm,	the grazing management and extend of two Local Wildlife Sites. This will be done by			March 2023
Knighton: Hedgerow	rejuvenating and restoring 440m of currently unfenced ancient hedgerow through			
restoration and	coppicing, gapping up, hedgerow tree planting and fencing as well as new stock fencing to			
rotational grazing	encourage expansion of the species rich Local Wildlife Sites.			
SHR003 Dan Watkins,	The grant is contributing to the purchase of a direct drill in order to improve the overall soil	£18,840.00	£47,100.00	Oct 2021-
Powkesmore Farm,	health across the farm. This will deliver a number of benefits including improved soil			March 2022
Ditton Priors: Soil	structure and health, improved infiltration and drainage, increase in beneficial			
improvement	invertebrates and earthworms, increased soil organic matter, reduced soil erosion and improved carbon sequestration.			
SHR004 Sarah Davies,	The grant is supporting the expansion of the applicant's Highland/ Shorthorn Beef	£30,170.58	£48,636.44	Oct 2021-
Blackhurst Farm,	business, selling meat from animals grazing a wildlife-rich iconic local hill which is part Local		·	March 2023
Longnor: Highland Beef	Wildlife Site. The animals are left to forage on the heathland ground and rough pasture,			
expansion	maintaining these species rich habitats which include various species of moss, herbal			
	grasses and wildflowers. The project also includes alterations to an existing farm building			
	to house a cold store, sorting area and customer facing area for collection of beef boxes,			
	the purchase and installation of cold store, kitchen facilities, display refrigerator, and the			
	purchase of a refrigerated trailer for safe transport of meat to and from the farm, abattoir,			
	butcher and farmers' markets.			
SHR005 Duncan	This project is creating a 140m buffer strip between a brook and grazing land to prevent	£6,091.04	£6,091.04	Dec 2021-
Bennett, Bog Farm,	cattle from damaging the watercourse. The strip will be planted with species commonly			March 2023

Minsterley: Hedgerow	found on riverbanks such as alder, willow, downy birch, hazel and hawthorn. This buffer			
creation and water	strip will help to reduce soil erosion and water runoff into the brook and is linking two areas			
course protection	of woodland to improve habitat connectivity. A pasture pump is also being installed to			
	provide water for the cattle, and a hedge is being restored to create a wildlife corridor,			
	linking woodland to another hedgerow and area of woodland.			
SHR006 Barry	This project is reinstating a hedgerow network on a small upland farm. The restoration	£5,424.60	£5,424.60	Nov 2021-
Swancott, Tregodfa,	includes laying, coppicing and gapping up the hedge, as well as planting new hedgerow			March 2022
Knighton: Hedgerow	trees. The hedges will be fenced to protect new growth and to encourage regeneration of			
restoration	ground vegetation. Hedgerows have benefits for wildlife and also act as barriers to reduce			
	soil erosion and water runoff. Historically, hedgerows were a key feature of upland farms,			
	dividing the land into small fields and this project seeks to enhance this key feature of the			
	Shropshire Hills landscape.			
SHR007/68 Christina	The grant is supporting woodland and hedgerow habitat restoration. Riparian (river)	£28,063.80	£32,503.80	Nov 2021 -
Whitehead, Lawn Farm,	woodland will be enhanced by carrying out tree surgery on diseased, leaning or fallen trees		·	March 2023
Craven Arms: Recovery	and by replanting the riverbank with suitable trees as needed. The area (0.4 hectares) will			
and restoration of area of	be stock fenced to allow a wide riparian woodland corridor to establish. Historic hedge-			
River Clun	lines will be restored by coppicing, planting up gaps and fencing to create valuable wildlife			
	corridors across the farm.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR008 John Phillips,	The project will erect 762 metres of protective livestock fencing to safeguard newly layed	£3,733.80	£3,733.80	Nov 2021-
Lower Treverward,	hedges from livestock damage. The hedges will provide vital habitat for local birds/wildlife			March 2022
Clun: Fencing to protect	and insects, ensuring a greater area of wildlife rich habitat. The fencing will be spaced 1.5			
valuable habitat	metres from the centre of the hedge to allow hedges to grow up to 3 metres wide,			
	ensuring a strong, thick hedge to provide essential wildlife corridors and to act as carbon			
	sinks, reducing soil erosion and improving the visual character of the area.			
SHR010 Anne Dyer,	The project is removing mature laurel and replanting with native species which will be	£27,411.71	£37,189.75	Nov 2021-
Westhope Estate,	managed as coppice with standards. Other areas of the woodland will be thinned to			March 2024
Craven Arms: Enhancing	increase light levels and encourage a range of woodland ground flora. A second area of			
existing woodland and	woodland will be restored and managed as a wet woodland. The existing Poplar plantation			
creating new	and invasive Himalayan balsam will be cleared, and the area will be planted and managed to			
	increase native wet woodland species. A woodland corridor will also be planted to improve			
	connectivity between the two woodlands. The newly planted areas will be protected from			
	grazing and managed as short and long rotation coppice to encourage the succession of			
	scrub species. The work is being supported by volunteers from a local wildlife group and			
	the project includes training for volunteers and community events.			

SHR011 Sarah Jameson,	The grant is to repair a 19th century field barn/shelter in a field which is being managed for	£7,855.50	£9,802.50	Jan 2022-
Stag's Head, Bucknell:	long-term conservation. The building is present on the Shropshire Historic Environment			March 2023
Field barn repair	Record as an 'unnamed field barn' of post-Medieval date. Built with local mudstone and a			
	simple internal timber structure, the building is typical of field shelters in the Clun			
	Forest. Wildlife boxes have also been installed. The barn will be used to provide shelter at			
	public events and for storing woodland/coppice products from the site. A local builder is			
	being employed to do the repairs using local materials.			
SHR012 Luke Neal	This project will enhance ongoing river restoration work along the River Corve by adding	£11,990.50	£16,918.00	Dec 2021-
(SWT), Corfield Farm,	riparian fencing to exclude livestock and repairing a large redundant Victorian fish pool on			March 2023
Much Wenlock: River and	the farm. Electric fence posts will be installed rather than a permanent fence which is likely			
pond restoration	to be washed away in floods. New hedges will be planted along existing field boundaries,			
	standard hedgerow trees will be allowed to grow from planted hedge stock, and stand			
	alone in-field trees will be planted to improve the landscape character and provide shade			
	for livestock. The hedgerows will help to slow down floodplain flows reducing downstream			
	floods and improving water quality. The fish pool will be restored by repairing the breached			
	bund and sculpting the ground levels, incorporating a reedbed to create additional wetland			
	habitat on the farm and complimenting the river restoration habitats.			
SHR016 P. Harrison,	The grant is funding a feasibility study to assess the farm's proposal to create a number of	£4,778.40	£4,778.40	Dec 2021-
Causeway Wood, Acton	new pond / pool areas to hold back flood water and enhance the local environment. The			March 2023
Burnell: Ecological	shallow standing water / bog areas will improve habitat and increase biodiversity in the			
feasibility study	wider landscape. The feasibility study will identify the best locations for scrapes / wetland /			
	pool areas, advise on how to create them and the benefits to the farm and surrounding			
	area. The grant is also supporting hedge restoration work, including coppicing and gapping			
	up to create a wildlife corridor between two areas of existing woodland on the farm.			
SHR017 Louise	The grant will support the planting of 645 native trees within three strips of land	£4,497.60	£4,497.60	Dec 2021-
Westbury, Little	amounting to 4,065m ² . The strips will be end-to-end and form a belt across three			March 2022
Hobarris, Bucknell: New	fields. The project will deliver new broadleaved woodland comprising as wide a variety of			
broadleaf woodland	native species as possible, taking into account the site's characteristics (e.g. soil,			
	topography, prevailing wind). The new woodland will be good for carbon sequestration and			
	enhance the character of the landscape as a significant percentage of the broadleaf trees			
	in the valley below the planting site are ash (with dieback evident in many of them) so the			
	new planting will help to offset the eventual losses.			
SHR019 Philip Bradley,	The project is creating two ponds/wetland areas and scrapes to increase connectivity with	£4,868.00	£10,508.00	Jan 2022-
Hill View, Pontesbury:	local streams and wetlands. The ponds will provide additional habitats, helping to			March 2023
Wildlife pond and hedge	safeguard endangered species such as the great crested newt. They will also act as			
restoration	surface water storage to reduce flooding in winter of adjacent fields and a lane. The			
	project is also restoring 150 m of hedge by laying, coppicing and gapping up, creating			

	connectivity between habitats, and helping to reduce soil erosion and water runoff. These activities help to offset habitat losses from a local housing development on a greenfield			
	site and bring both ecological and hydrological benefits to the local landscape.			
SHR020 Christine	This is a small project to restore an overgrown mature planted hedge which connects to	£4,245.00	£4,245.00	Feb 2022-
Jones, Llanfair Hal,	several other hedges and will improve connectivity between two large ancient semi-			March 2022
Knighton: Hedge	natural woodlands. It is part of a larger long-term project to deliver increased habitat			
improvements	connectivity between Llanfair Hall Wood (over 17 ha) and the Long Wood (8.5 ha).			
SHR023 Lynn Parker,	A small project to plant 167m of new hedge along an existing fence-line, install two owl	£3,434.80	£3,434.80	March 2022-
Cow Hall, Clun: Enhance	boxes in locations known to be used by barn owls and two bat boxes close to water			March 2022
biodiversity habitats and	courses. This is the start of a wider project to improve resilience in the face of the			
connectivity through	changing climate, by increasing both the biodiversity on the farm and ability of the land to			
new hedge planting,	store more carbon, and at the same time increase efficiencies and enhance safety within			
hedge protection and	the business. The new hedgerow will be protected from the grazing sheep and cattle by			
habitat boxes	new fencing.			

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SHR022 JB Harper & Son, Morrell's Wood Farm, Much Wenlock: Improving visitor and educational access to the farm	The project is improving facilities on the farm to increase the number of educational visits made each year from children from deprived areas. The farm currently welcomes 25-30 group visits by adults and children of all backgrounds to engage with the countryside and learn about the environment and farming in a sustainable way. The funding will improve parking for buses, access around the farm and provide outdoor teaching facilities. The project is also creating a 2.5km permissive path, which links to the existing footpath network. Small interpretation panels and an audio guide will explain the farming calendar, describe the landscape and how the farm is managed to support nature and wildlife.	£21,257.94	£37,198.75	June 2022- March 2026
SHR025 MT Woodland Crafts, Gibbons Corner Wood, Much Wenlock: Ancient Woodland Coppice Restoration	Gibbons Coppice is a 28ha Ancient Semi-Natural Woodland to the west of the Wrekin and Gibbons Corner Wood is 2.7 hectares of this larger woodland. The grant is supporting coppice restoration on this hard to access site which includes felling 7 large trees, scrub control and the removal of smaller trees. The logs will be extracted either by portable winch or by horse loggers. 500 young hazel trees will be planted, and 260m of temporary deer fencing erected to ensure successful regrowth of the old coppice and establishment of the young plants. The extracted timber will be used to demonstrate green woodworking and pole lathe turning to create carved or turned domestic woodenware and Windsor chairs, beanpoles, hedging stakes and binders.	£11,549.67	£11,934.28	July 2022- March 2025
SHR026 Linley Farm, Bishop's Castle: Controlled Biological Composting	The grant is supporting a new farm-scale composting operation using the method of Controlled Microbial Composting. This method focuses on providing optimal conditions for creation of a microbially rich compost that will dramatically increase the health of the farm soils. The project plans to transform the farm's green waste, manure, woodchip, spoiled straw and food waste into microbially active compost that builds carbon in the soil, holds and cycles nitrogen, increases crucial soil biology, increasing soil fertility and structure, improving water holding and cycling, farm biodiversity, and crop nutrition. The project estimates up to 400 tonnes of finished compost could be made per year, although the first few years may produce 100-200 tonnes. The volume of raw material used is approximately one third more than that.	£24,032.80	£66,193.00	July 2022- March 2023
SHR027/77 Lower Bush Farm CIC, Ludlow: Accessible	Lower Bush is a not-for-profit Care Farm which welcomes people of all abilities. The grant is supporting the construction of 6 purpose-built animal enclosures which will be accessible for those with special educational needs and disabilities. Pathways and	£77,073.23	£134,103.67	July 2022- March 2024

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animal housing and tiny	tracks are also being improved for easy access. The funding is also supporting the			
homes for farm	construction of camping pods, made from locally sourced logs which will be milled onsite			
glamping	minimising carbon outputs. The farm camping ethos is to promote low resource-use			
diversification	activities such as walking, cycling and horse riding using the Jack Mytton Bridleway and			
	Shropshire Way footpath which both pass the farm.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR028 A J Beavan &	This project has two strands. The first is to protect the section of Offa's Dyke which runs	£59,710.66	£81,252.23	July 2022-
Partners, Black Hall	through the farm by carefully removing conifer trees wrongly planted on the Scheduled			March 2024
Farm, Knighton:	Ancient Monument in 1981. Offa's Dyke is one of the longest earthworks in Britain, built by			
Protection of Historic	King Offa of Mercia in the 8th Century. New fencing will also protect the monument from			
Monument and	grazing animals and ploughing. The funding is also supporting significant improvements to			
headwater tributaries	the farm's water supply infrastructure. 7 solar pump units are being installed to deliver			
	drinking water through underground pipes via storage tanks and into troughs for cattle			
	and sheep on 140 ha of upland plateau land. This will allow headwater streams of the River			
	Teme and of the River Redlake to be fenced on the farm, protecting them from poaching			
	and erosion, and improving the water quality.			
SHR029 Regenerative	Silvopasture agroforestry is the intentional integration of trees, foraged plants and	£11,269.88	£12,534.80	July 2022-
Design Ltd., Pool	livestock. This is a demo project to promote research and shareable practical experience			March 2023
House Farm,	about which perennial, low input / regenerative food growing systems can work best for			
Clunbury: Silvopasture	farmers in the River Clun catchment and wider area. The project will plant 1ha of			
Agroforestry research	Silvopasture lanes; 250 metre rows of fruit tree, berry, animal fodder and nitrogen fixing			
and demonstration site	trees and understorey shrubs. The rows are planted with 12m- wide grass strips in			
	between, to allow regenerative agriculture practices of grazing and hay making. The			
	project aims to gain a better understanding of agroforestry systems and species that work			
	in the AONB's climate and soil, and market conditions. It is hoped that this knowledge will			
	help to develop a larger project later in the year.			
SHR030 Mr J W Byron,	The grant is supporting the planting of a new traditional orchard and restoring 3.63ha of	£7,032.89	£7,032.89	July 2022-
Ashgrove Farm,	species rich grassland on the farm. The project will also carry out a whole farm botanical			March 2025
Wentnor: Orchard	survey to inform future land management and identify areas of greatest species diversity			
creation and species	which can become donor site for hay strewing, if appropriate. The orchard will be planted			
rich grassland	with 20-25 local varieties and local provenance trees. Locally sourced green hay or seed			
restoration	will be used to help restore the grassland. The farm is in the <u>Stepping Stones Project</u>			
	Area and is an important 'stepping stone', in terms of improving and creating habitat			
	connectivity between the Long Mynd and the Stiperstones.			
SHR031 National	The <u>Stepping Stones Project</u> is working with the Upper Onny Farmers Group to explore	2,905.35	£4,825.95	Aug 2022-
Trust, Stepping	ways of delivering environmental benefits through regenerative farming practices whilst			March 2023
Stones: Upper Onny	maintaining a viable farming business. The grant will subsidise an overnight visit to discuss	I		

Farmers Group visit to	farming practices with inspirational livestock farmer, James Rebanks. He will talk about his			
James Rebanks,	thinking, decisions and practices in grassland management and the benefits of farming			
Cumbria	with species rich grassland, wooded corridors, as well as his approach to soil and water			
	management on the farm.			
SHR032/65 Pollardine	Installing temporary electric fencing to protect 357m of watercourse from grazing	£21,963.41	£22,356.02	Oct 2022-
Farm Partnership,	animals. A 20m buffer strip will allow riparian corridors to develop to improve water quality			March 2024
Pollardine Farm,	and help to slow the flow. 6.45ha of wood pasture will be created using self-set young			
Pontesbury: Habitat	trees from the farm. Temporary electric fencing and mobile water troughs across 169ha			
creation and	will create smaller paddocks to prevent overgrazing and compaction, and to increase the			
restoration, a study on	density and diversity of the sward through management of animal impact. 72 nest boxes			
Pied Flycatchers and	will be installed across the farm to study Pied Flycatchers and Redstarts, and a digital map			
Redstarts, and contour	showing 1-5m contours of the land will be produced to base decisions about future land-			
mapping for future	use design on the topography of the land, ensuring the farm business works with the			
landscape design	shape of the land rather than against it.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR033/59 Preece	This project is restoring 790m of hedgerow through pleaching, coppicing, gapping up,	£17,403.20	£17,403.20	Oct 2022-
Farming Partnership,	planting 15 new hedgerow trees and fencing. The hedges are between the lower edge of			March 2024
Briar Edge Farm,	two sloping fields and the top of a steep bank, so they play an important role in reducing			
Church Stretton:	flood risk by improving water infiltration and reducing the risk of run-off/erosion –			
Hedgerow restoration	particularly as the fields are sometimes used to grow winter fodder crops for out wintering			
on Briar Edge ridge	stock. Planting new trees will increase the range of habitat on the farm and thicker hedges			
	will provide more shade and shelter for livestock, which is important due to the exposed			
	location of the grazing fields.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR034 A F Beavan &	The project is supporting the enclosure of two areas (4.15ha and 0.72ha) of Priority Habitat	£16,638.73	£17,508.73	Oct 2022-
Co.,The Graig,	veteran oak woodland, and 1.5ha of Ffridd habitat which will encourage the expansion of			March 2024
Knighton: Habitat	species rich areas and natural regeneration of oak woodland. A livestock access track will			
restoration	be created to exclude livestock from the woodland area and access to drinking water will			
	be installed in the new land parcels. This will allow the grazing to be managed on rotation			
	which improves the soil organic matter and carbon sequestration. 92m of hedgerow will			
	be coppiced to maintain a healthy hedgerow habitat.			
SHR035 John Phillips,	This project is hedge-laying and fencing (697m) to safeguard the newly laid hedge from	£29,164.20	£50,164.20	Oct 2022 -
Lower Treverward,	grazing livestock. Fencing allows the hedge to grow up to 2.4m wide, ideal habitat for some			March 2023
Clun: Hedgerow	of our threatened species such as dormice and bats. The grant is also supporting (at 40%)			
restoration and	the purchase of a Lucas Spirmix jet 140 feeder/ bedder to efficiently mix and process			
complete diet feeder	home grown forage crops for sheep and cattle. This will reduce the farms reliance on			
for home grown crops	bought in feeds, some of which come from abroad. By using home grown crops to include			

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	in a mixed ration, the farm's carbon emissions will be reduced through less feed waste, a			
	reduced reliance on bought in compound feeds and improved feed efficiency that are			
	associated with total mixed rations. The feeder also gives greater flexibility and control of			
	what is fed to the farm livestock.			
SHR036/60 Matthew	Creation of species rich meadow with wood pasture. The management of existing	£49,763.50	49,763.50	Nov 2022-
Gosling , Manor House	woodland. New species rich broadleaved woodland creation. Hedgerow with standard			March 2025
Farm, Much Wenlock:	trees and hedgerow coppicing and gapping up. Traditional Orchard restoration,			
Farmland habitat	management of existing trees, planting of new trees and creation of a more species rich			
restoration and	grassland below. Provision of wildlife nesting/breeding boxes			
regeneration	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR037/66 Neil	Supporting a series of initiatives including permanent electric fencing, leaky dams and	£67,400.97	£87,787.15	Oct 2022-
Brown, New House	water troughs along two stretches of watercourse to improve water quality. Further			March 2025
Farm, Ludlow:	permanent and temporary electric fencing, along with mobile water troughs, to enable			
Grassland regeneration	rotational grazing across the farm, improving grass growth, biodiversity and stock			
and water	health. The purchase of a muck spreader to utilise farm manure and cycle nutrients more			
management	efficiently across 286ha of local farmland. A 15,000L rainwater harvesting system is being			
	installed to manage water better on the farm. The project is also creating 16.9ha of new			
	wood pasture, 1ha of a new species-rich meadow and restoring 80m of hedgerow which			
	includes planting 20 new trees and installing some nesting boxes.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR038 Mossy Oaks	Restoring the land to historic wood pasture, revive existing and create new habitat	£40,979.08	£70,105.03	Oct 2022-
LLP, Brook Vessons	networks, including hedgerows, and improve pasture and soil health, using native rare			March 2024
Farm, Pontesbury:	breed livestock, including Golden Guernsey goats, British Saddleback pigs, and a range of			
Habitat restoration	traditional breed chickens, farmed in a rotational grazing system and other traditional			
	techniques to manage the pasture and surrounding habitats. These practices will allow us			
	to produce healthy, ethical and sustainable food, with sales starting from Spring 2023,			
	which will connect the local community with the land.			
SHR039 Cheney	The Onny Trail is a popular permissive walk that follows the line of the old Craven Arms to	£16,400.59	£16,400.59	Oct 2022-
Longville Farms,	Bishop's Castle railway along the banks of the River Onny. The project will restore and			March 2026
Craven Arms: Onny	improve the length (3.54km) and accessibility of the trail, and make it a circular, rather than			
Trail Permissive Access	a linear walk. The stiles along the trail will be replaced by 12 accessible gates. Waymarking			
Path Renovation	along the route will be improved and a welcome panel installed at the start of the			
Project	trail. These works also improve the route of the Wart Hill Wander - a day walk from the			
	nearby Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre which increases its attractiveness as a tourism			
	attraction and thereby helping to support the local economy.			
SHR040 Shropshire	This project is repairing the ramparts of the impressive iron-age hillfort that crowns Caer	£14,209.01	£29,024.90	Oct 2022-
Hills AONB	Caradoc in the heart of the Shropshire Hills. The hillfort itself is in an area of designated			March 2024

Partnership: Fix the	access land and is a scheduled ancient monument of national importance. The popularity			
Fort - Caering for	of the destination is contributing to the erosion of the main ramparts and approaching			
Caradoc Project	footpaths (both desire lines and public rights of way). Working closely with the landowner,			
	Shropshire Council and Historic England, the project will create a stepped and			
	maintainable 'sacrificial surface' at two locations that will improve accessibility whilst			
	protecting the exposed archaeology. In the third location, the intention will be to fill and re-			
	vegetate the eroded area. A specialist archaeologist will work with volunteers to record			
	and understand the exposed archaeology and monitor and provide expert advice for the			
	repair process. The project will interpret the hillfort with boundary post panels, linked to			
	online audio descriptions and hold a series of storytelling events to help connect people to			
	the hillfort, landscape and its myths and legends.			
SHR041 D H Heighway	Replacement water supply, pumped from a spring to water troughs which supply 23 ha of	£35,661.96	£42,712.01	Nov 2022-
& Co., New House	grazing land and farm buildings. Clean water supply for handwashing facilities for visiting			March 2025
Farm, Clee St	school groups. Completing the fencing of two watercourse, to exclude stock and protect			
Margaret: River	and enhance over 800m of headwater streams. Coppicing 22 bankside trees. Installing 14			
protection and	leaky dams. Planting up 148m of gaps in bankside cover.			
enhancement				
measures				
SHR042 Kate Mayne,	The grant is supporting carbon accounting across 31 holdings covering 8,279ha. Members	£16,178.60	£18,654.00	Nov 2022-
Clee View Farmers	of the Clee View Farmers Group will be trained in carbon accounting, using the Agrecalc			March 2024
Group: Carbon	tool to collate data and undertake carbon auditing on farms. They will be supported by			
Accounting – a	Carbon Metrics and Dr Simon Jeffery of Harper Adams University, who will help the group			
collaborative learning	to consider how to adapt farm practices to reduce emissions, increase carbon storage and			
initiative	maximise sequestration. The results will be shared at a farm event and separate meeting			
	to discuss implications / opportunities for the Nature Recovery Network. An education			
	pack presenting the results will also be produced for stakeholders and other interested			
	groups.			
SHR043, J Childs &	The project is fencing 1,600m along two brooks which run into the River Severn to prevent	£56,261.86	£60,749.09	Nov 2022-
Co., Derrington Farm,	livestock from eroding the banks and polluting the water. Mains water drinking troughs are			March 2024
Ditton Priors:	being installed for cattle and sheep. Two livestock bridges, using oak felled on the farm,			
Protection of	are being installed to maintain grazing access, and a large overgrown and trodden-in field			
Watercourses and	pond is being restored and fenced. The project is also erecting 680m of new livestock			
Woodland and Pond	fencing along the field side edge of Withygreaves Wood, a historic Priority Habitat			
Enhancements	Broadleaf Woodland. This will enable livestock grazing to be managed to encourage			
	natural tree regeneration, protect rare ground flora and encourage wildlife including			
	dormice and ground nesting birds.			

SHR044/61 Crows (Agriculture) Ltd., Thresholds Farm, Picklescott: Habitat restoration and creation	Planting approx. 700m of hedgerows with several different plants and trees, in addition to the restoration of 400m by coppicing and gapping up to link to existing hedgerow networks of 2,730m, which in turn is linked to approximately 4ha of woodland and scrubland. (2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)	£34,990.81	£34,990.81	Dec 2022- March 2024
SHR045/69 Bridget Naylor, Villa Farm, Church Stretton: Enhanced biodiversity, habitat connectivity and carbon sequestration	Restoration of 135m hedgerows. Restoration of 0.86ha of species-rich meadow through introduction of new seed and controlled grazing. Scrub management through combination of fencing and the controlled browsing by new flock of 9 Hill Radnor sheep. Detailed analysis of species in soil through DNA testing. (2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)	£7,674.61	7,674.61	Dec 2022- March 2025
SHR046 Pollardine Farm Partnership, Pontesbury: Monitoring water quality, with workshops and training on how to improve water quality by changing land management practices – across 8 holdings	To deploy 21 sensors to monitor the turbidity, colour and temperature of water in streams and ponds on 8 land holdings across three waterbody sub-catchments. To hold a workshop roughly every 3 months for participants to discuss data captured by the sensors and identify projects they can deliver on their land to improve water quality. A final year BSc (Hons) Agriculture student will complete a research study on the project to identify the impact of agricultural activities on nutrient losses using proxy sensors. The participants will have the option to complete the course, Holistic Management: Fundamentals halfway through the project to help with their decision making in changing land management practices and to develop their understanding of ecosystem processes.	£72,949.41	£77,405.68	Jan 2023- March 2024
SHR047/63 JL & J Bennett, Hope Park, Minsterley: Habitat restoration and creation, protecting watercourses and introducing cattle	Inspired by the Upper Onny Farmers Group visit to James Rebanks' farm in Cumbria, this project is taking a nature friendly farming approach to managing Hope Park by introducing suckler cattle to this part of the farm and installing the necessary infrastructure to achieve this. Adopting rotational grazing techniques, will allow rest periods to improve forage production, soil health and protect watercourses. Habitats will also be improved. (2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)	£21,735.71	£21,735.71	Dec 2022- March 2025
SHR048 Shropshire Wildlife Trust, Shrewsbury: Carbon for Curlews in the Clun Forest	The project will investigate the extent and condition of the peat soils over approximately 500 ha, including Shropshire Wildlife Trust nature reserves, land in England managed by NRW and upland hill pasture managed by several private landowners. The results will inform these landowners and managers on the potential for peat restoration and enhancing biodiversity and provide options for future environmental land management	£63,087.72	£63,087.72	Jan 2023 - March 2024

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	schemes. This study will help prioritise a second phase of more detailed restoration			
	options and unlock funding from a range of other sources in the future.			
SHR049 National	A project to support the clearance of gorse and bracken on steep slopes across the Long	£106,432.21	£186,205.26	Jan 2023 -
Trust, Church	Mynd Common, that are inaccessible for routine management. The Long Mynd supports			March 2024
Stretton: Bracken and	some of the rarest acid grassland habitats which are being encroached upon by gorse and			
Gorse Management on	are vulnerable to being shaded out. The project is working with the active graziers to			
the Long Mynd	identify and remove bracken and gorse in critical locations, grazing areas will be increased			
Common	and access for stock management improved to support the traditional sheep farming			
	practice on the Common. This will also help to reconnect areas of grassland to restore the			
	habitat mosaic of the SSSI to benefit a wide range of associated wildlife.			
SHR050/64BT&JA	The creation of a long riverine corridor habitat & associated water provision for livestock	£90863.57	£92,162.55	Dec 2022-
Stead & Son, Greater	away from the brook. The creation of five new blocks of wooded land of grazed woodland			March 2025
Poston Farm, Craven	and scrub, wooded scrub bank and rewilded area connected by a network of newly planted			
Arms: Water and	hedges eith gapping up of hedges, new hedgerow trees and more wildlife friendly managed			
wooded corridor	hedges. Increased rotational grazing, rainwater harvesting system and provision of wildlife			
project	nest boxes.			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR051/67 G W	The grant is supporting a range of activity including electric fencing for rotational grazing,	£54,361.55	£86,682.16	Dec 2022 -
Sanders & Son, Upper	gapping up hedgerows and creating two pollinator patches (582m²) to increase species			March 2024
Ledwyche Farm,	diversity. To improve soil health, the farm is investing in FECPAK (faecal egg counting)			
Ludlow: Soil Health and	technology to reduce overuse of wormers which have a detrimental effect on soil			
Water Protection	microbiology and livestock health. A precision spreader is also being purchased to spread			
	organic manure, lime, gypsum and solid digestate at variable rates across the farm. A			
	borehole and rainwater harvesting system (10,000L) is also being installed to secure water			
	for livestock as 750m of watercourse is fenced to create a riverine corridor with natural			
	regeneration and targeted tree planting (10 trees).			
	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
SHR052 GWCT,	Raising Curlew from egg to fledging stage, from nests proven to be at risk of failure. The	£75,698.18	£92,564.49	Jan 2023 –
Curlew Country,	project involves coordination of nest finding by a trained ornithologist, collection of eggs			March 2024
Pennerley: Curlew	and incubation of eggs under carefully controlled and monitored conditions, and care of			
Headstarting	chicks from hatching to fledging. The grant is paying for project staff, equipment and			
	materials.			
SHR053 Natural	The internationally important heathland habitats on the Stiperstones NNR rely upon	£21,802.42	£28,126.42	Jan 2023 –
England, Pennerley:	summer grazing to maintain their favourable condition. This grazing is becoming			March 2024
Water supply for the	increasingly compromised by the drying up of the natural springs during the summer			
north end of the	months. To maintain the site in favourable condition grazing needs to continue and a			
Stiperstones National	reliable water source is needed. This project will investigate the possibility of a borehole to			

Nature Reserve (NNR) –	supply the heathland and adjoining tenanted grassland by carrying out a desk-based			
borehole prognosis	prognosis report to see whether drilling a borehole is achievable, what depth would be			
report.	required and cost. Stage 2 is to drill and set up a borehole, solar pump, storage tank and			
	pipework to existing troughs as well as an additional trough on the heathland, to replace			
	the natural spring that dries up in the summer.			
SHR054 GWCT,	Supporting innovative land management and habitat enhancement techniques to increase	£11,951.08	£11,951.08	Jan 2023 –
Curlew Country,	foraging opportunities for breeding Curlew and their progeny on three farms in the			March 2024
Pennerley: Habitat	Shropshire Hills which are known curlew breeding areas. Activities include creating an			
creation to benefit	artificial spring with 4 scrapes totalling 740m ² , installing 4 leaky dams and erecting 85m of			
foraging Curlew	permanent fencing to protect one of the newly created scrapes. 180m of electric fencing			
	will be used to protect a scrape and 'rushy' ditch feature, where the leaky dams are			
	located. This fence will be in place during the Curlew breeding season, from April to			
	August. These activities will increase opportunities for Curlew to forage close to their nest			
	sites and help their ability to defend their territories against predators.			
SHR055/62 Plowden	The objective of this project is to create a network of new and renovated hedgerows to	£80,122.32	£128,678.90	Dec 2022-
Farming Partnership,	complement and enhance the existing landscape. It will entail the planting of 616m of new			March 2024
Myndtown Farm,	hedgerows on old hedge lines, hedge renovation through coppicing and gapping up,			
Lydbury North:	totalling 850m combined with 24 new hedgerow trees at a rate of 1/50m. All hedgerows			
Hedgerow Creation	will be double fenced with permanent 4 strand electric fence totalling 2,598m. Protection			
and Renovation and	of 1,150m of watercourses and wetland areas.			
Protection of	(2 agreements due to Countryside Stewardship rate changes, January 2023)			
Watercourses and				
Wetlands				
SHR056 Lucy	A new 280m hedgerow is being planted and fenced, creating a new habitat which links into	£4,066.60	£4,066.60	Dec 2022 -
McFarlane, Coates	a wider habitat corridor for wildlife. A further area is being fenced (150m fence) to provide			March 2024
Bungalow,	0.2 ha enclosure for 220 native trees and shrubs to be planted. The trees will be			
Ratlinghope:	predominantly oak, birch and rowan but hedgerow species will also be planted and allowed			
Hedgerow creation and	to grow to their full potential e.g. spindle, guelder rose, field maple. A botanical survey of			
tree planting	grassland species will be carried out to inform future management.			
SHR058 John Byron,	Rejuvenate 163m of hedgerow by coppicing and gapping up and planting five standard	£7,643.07	£7,843.07	Jan 2023 -
Ashgrove Farm,	hedgerow trees. Double fencing 103m rejuvenated hedge funded by Countryside			March 2023
Wentnor: Hedgerow	Stewardship grant.			
rejuvenation				
SHR070 Pollardine	Grassland restoration on 169ha at Pollardine Farm using Holistic Planned Grazing. Addition	£3,132.05	£6,674.10	Feb 2023 -
Farm Partnership,	to equipment awarded in SHR032 to allow us to manage multiple livestock groups and to			March 2024
Pollardine Farm,	make us more resilient to a lack of water from frost / drought. Hosting and participation in			
Pontesbury: Grassland	Low-Stress Livestock Handling course delivered by Miriam Parker.			

restoration (extension				
of agreement SHR032)				
SHR071 Lynn Parker,	Creation of a series of 3 leaky dams; Creation of a pond; Wood pasture planting on 1.4ha	£22,169.23	£26,327.23	Feb 2023 –
Cow Hall, Newcastle	and hedge planting; Cattle handling equipment to increase farm resilience; 110m of hedge			March 2025
on Clun: Enhancement	laying to thicken the hedge to create more habitat; 179m of hedge laying to thicken the			
of habitats, water and	hedge to create more habitat; Curlew nest fencing; Borehole survey.			
resilience				
SHR072 RJ & HM	Erecting new stock fencing adjacent to the Darnford Brook, to create wide riparian buffer	£19,900.35	£19,900.35	Feb 2023 -
Sankey, Brow Farm,	strips, to enable controlled grazing and protect and enhance species diversity.			March 2024
Ratlinghope:	Rejuvenating and widening of relic hedgerows, to create significant shrubby wildlife			
Hedgerow rejuvenation	corridors. Planting new hedgerow along an old hedge bank.			
and improvements to				
the Darnford Brook				
SHR073 WH Oliver &	The reinstatement and enhancement (widening) of 1,110m of hedgerow and planting of 10	£44,474.46	£57,745.42	Feb 2023 -
Son, Newhall Farm,	hedgerow trees and creation of a 330m long rough barn owl rough feeding strip. The			March 2025
Church Stretton:	protection of a wet flush, spring habitat and creation of a shallow wet pool/scrape area.			
Upland field re-creation	The protection and active, selective management of two pockets of gorse/scrub habitat.			
and habitat mosaic	The creation of a livestock holding pen to reduce environmental impacts (water pollution,			
creation	carbon footprint) of frequent stock movements to and from main farm holding (1.2km			
	round trip). The provision of wildlife boxes for nesting and roosting (barn owl, bat and			
	solitary bees).			
SHR074 Downton Hall	Bring to the surface a piped spring and field drains to create a series of wet landscape	£38,202.67	£38,202.67	Feb 2023-
Partnership,	features to increase biodiversity and attenuate peak water flows. An area of short rotation			March 2025
Henleyhill Farm,	coppice will be incorporated to provide wood chip to be used as cattle bedding, whilst			
Ludlow: Creation of	providing a continual 'woodland fringe' habitat to adjoin the existing woodland. The project			
flood-water	will also include other habitat areas to target feeding and breeding opportunities for key			
attenuation scheme,	species such as owls, bats, and raptors. The water outlet from the scheme will be diverted			
wetland habitat, and	into an adjacent woodland and leaky dams built to create an area of priority habitat 'wet			
short rotation coppice	woodland' to further enhance biodiversity in the area.			
SHR075 T Allsop/L.	Restoration and regeneration of the land at Little Leath through hedge coppicing, gapping	£18,591.54	£19,999.28	Feb 2023 -
Grove, Little Leath,	up and tree planting, scrub management for wildflower meadow creation and orchard	·	,	March 2025
Much Wenlock:	restoration, backwater wet habitat creation, wildlife box provision. Supporting Little			
Integrating Land	Leath's 'Flying Flock' of conservation grazing sheep, to help manage small patches of			
regeneration,	neglected or over managed land across the Corvedale/Clee hills area. The creation of a			
Livestock and Local	new community gathering place, with a particular focus on getting women back out onto			
people	the land.			
PPC				

SHR076 Marsh Farm	Collection of data (bird species and habitat survey and wildlife trail camera monitoring) and	£3,557.78	£3,748.28	Feb 2023 -
Partnership,	expert guidance and design, to help plan the delivery of priority wet flush habitat			March 2024
Highcroft, Craven	protection whilst improving livestock drinking source and gorse and bracken management			
Arms: Wet flush and	across the hillside (which contains pockets of priority lowland heath habitat). The			
Upland habitat	beginning of habitat enhancement through targeted gorse cutting to create a mosaic of			
enhancement project	age structures.			
(Phase 1)				

Projects approved for funding in 2023/24

Project title	Description	FiPL grant awarded	Total project value	Duration of project
SHR078 Kate Smith, The Country Trust, Ludlow: Educational farm visits for disadvantaged children	To work with James Turner from Downton Hall Estate to provide 10 inspiring, hands-on day visits over the next two years for over 260 children, and in some cases family members too, from disadvantaged communities in and around the Shropshire Hills AONB.	£17,823.56	£17,823.56	June 2023 – March 2025
SHR079 WME Davies, White House Field, Clun: Re-instatement and rejuvenation of field boundaries and installation of water supply to allow rotational grazing	Planting 792m of new hedge, rejuvenating a further 455m of native hedgerow and planting 12 hedgerow trees at random spacings. The project is also installing a water supply comprising of a solar pump and tank with 504m of pipe work and 3 tanks to provide stock watering on multiple fields, to enable rotational grazing of land and more sustainable grazing and grassland management.	£50,381.57	£50,381.57	June 2023 - March 2025
SHR080 Redlake Valley Community Benefit Society, Brineddin Wood, Bucknell: Enhancing the biodiversity of Brineddin Wood	Enhancing biodiversity of Brineddin Wood by reintroducing rotational oak coppicing. Create appropriate access for immediate and longer-term use. Fell 0.2 ha of woodland containing about 90 stems of oaks which were last coppiced more than 100 years ago. Protect coppice regrowth from deer predation.	£3,658.60	£6,686.83	June 2023 – March 2024
SHR081 P & A Bradley, Hill View, Pontesbury: Establishment of species rich grassland and hedgerow regeneration	This is Phase 2 of a multi-year project to establish a series of biodiverse habitats and ensure good connectivity between habitats, which includes 150m hedgerow regeneration and fencing - preserving existing species and selecting standards through a combination of laying, and gapping up. The project will also fence an adjacent ditch to improve water quality and enclose 0.87ha to be restored to species-rich grassland.	£5,735.68	£5,735.68	Aug 2023 – March 2025
SHR082 R. Dahn & Son, High Leys Farm, Ludlow: Barn Owl and Redstart Habitat Belts Project	A collaborative project on boundary land between two farms to create a diverse mixture of habitat rough grassland belts and open wood/ parkland belt for 2 target species of conservation concern, the Barn owl and Redstart. The project will install 4 vole breeding stations, a barn owl nest and roost box, and 4 nest boxes for Redstart. 280m of hedgerow regenerated via coppicing, gapping up and hedgerow tree planting, and 16	£34,088.36	£34,088.36	July 2023- March 2025

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	standard trees planted. There is also an education element to this project			
	which includes 5 small mammal and target bird surveys, setting up a bird			
	nest camera and hosting 3 farm walk education events for local children,			
	local wildlife group and a farmer cluster group.			
SHR083 Pasture-Fed	Building on highly successful farmer to farmer mentoring projects across a	£95,538.50	£95,538.50	Aug 2023-
Livestock Association	number of Protected Landscapes, the Pasture-Fed Livestock Association			March 2025
CIC t/a Pasture for	are building on their experiences to tailor a very similar project in the			
Life:	Shropshire Hills, focussing on the expansion of grazing management			
Pasture and Profit in	practices that support the restoration of biodiversity, carbon			
Protected Landscapes –	sequestration and landscape character, including in river catchments,			
Farmer to farmer	species-rich grasslands and wider agricultural grassland. Activities include			
learning and support	1-to-1 mentoring, membership of PfL events and training materials over a			
	2-year programme.			
SHR084 LEAF (Linking	This project is promoting opportunities for educational access to farms,	£30,896.00	£36,500.00	Sept 2023-
Environment and	delivering accredited training to farmers and supporting them as they build			March 2025
Farming) Education:	relationships with local schools and other groups. Two CEVAS courses for			
Increasing educational	up to 20 farmers and two CPD events as follow up.			
access to farms in the	The training (CEVAS) is an open college network accreditation and will be			
Shropshire Hills National	delivered by LEAF Education. It will give farmers the skills to deliver fully			
Landscape	risk assessed, engaging curriculum linked educational visits on their			
	farms. They will also be supported by a Regional Education Consultant to			
	identify educational opportunities on individual farms.			
SHR085 Jacqueline	The project will include 175m hedge rejuvenation, through coppicing and	£11,814.37	£11,814.37	Sept 2023 -
Morrish, Lower Bent	gapping up or laying, and planting 4 trees within the hedgerow. The			March 2024
Farm, Bishop's Castle:	rejuvenated hedge will be double fenced at 10m to create 10m wide linear			
Hedgerow and	woodland. A length of watercourse will have protective fencing and			
Watercourse	bankside trees and shrubs will be managed through coppicing, plus planting			
Rejuvenation	12 new trees & shrubs within the 10-20m buffer strip. As the river is being			
-	fenced off a new trough for livestock watering will be required and the			
	project will also plant 10 in-field trees to develop a silvo pasture system.			
	Rejuvenating these wildlife corridors improves the links between other			
	hedges on the holding and the 1.74 acre woodland, planted 15 years ago,			
	which is adjacent to ancient woodland Oldmore Wood on the Linley Estate.			
SHR086 D and M Cooke	This project is fencing approximately 1.5km of watercourse, limiting	£41,740.74	£41,740.74	Sept 2023-
& Son, Coppice Farm,	livestock access and protecting adjacent wetlands. This work will help to			March 2025
Ratlinghope: Water	restore and increase wetland habitat for wading birds such as Curlew and			

Wetland Creation on the Darnford and Bilbatch Brooks	flooding. A solar powered water pump is also being installed to provide drinking water for livestock.			
SHR087 A J Beavan & Partners, Black Hall Farm, Knighton: Enhanced winter feeding solution for cattle and sheep	The Purchase of a new diet feeder/bedder with weigh cells to give accurate ration formulation, together with the ability to mix together round bale grass silage, arable silage, home grown oats, peas and barley whole mix and straw, into a well-constructed and homogenous mixture for the animals. The same machine is also capable of blowing straw bedding into all the pens used for winter housing. The feeder will use farm produced feeds and improve food conversion efficiency.	£8,437.50	£33,750.00	Sept 2023- March 2024
SHR088 Marsh Farm Partnership, Highcroft Cottage, Craven Arms: Wet flush and upland habitat enhancement project – phase 2	This project is enhancing 3 priority habitats - wet-flush, upland valley acid grassland and 'lowland' heath. On the upland grassland and lowland heath, targeted cutting of gorse and bracken will be done using a Robo cutter. On rockface habitat, the gorse and bracken will be cut using hand tools. A farm-wide ecological survey will be done to identify unmapped priority habitat to inform future targeted management and ensure linkage with wider habitat management across the Brown Clee. Solar electric fencing to target grazing and rainwater harvesting system is being installed for farm water resilience and yard run off protection. The project is also enabling peer-to-peer farmer learning, by inviting local farmers to see the seepage barriers in place and Robo cutter demo to share novel approaches and best practice.	£13,393.88	£13,739.48	Sept 2023- March 2025
SHR089 L O'Brien & A Knapton, Hare Hill Farm, Craven Arms: Rainwater harvesting and habitat creation	A rainwater harvesting tank, deep fill gutters and irrigation system will be installed to capture rainwater to irrigate the field scale vegetable crops and livestock drinking troughs. This will reduce demand on mains water and increase current capacity to irrigate. A 120m long x 10m wide strip of land will be fenced along the watercourse that runs through the farm to protect it from livestock. It will be planted with native trees and shrubs to enhance the biodiversity of 1,120m² of new habitat creation. This area will link up with a newly planted hedgerow, creating a continuous wildlife corridor along the whole length of the western side of the holding.	£6,275.94	£6,623.20	Sept 2023- March 2024
SHR090 Clunbury Parish Council, Craven Arms: Reviving Whinberry Hill	Restoring upland heathland through 3ha of bracken management, the removal of invasive conifers and the regeneration of heather and bilberry. Cherishing and interpreting this parish asset through connecting the local community (and others) with its past, engaging volunteers in the practical management of the site now and into the future, and encouraging	£9,166.91	£9,366.91	Sept 2023- March 2025

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	appreciation and use (whinberry picking and amenity) of this fortuitous			
	survival.			
SHR091 HJS, TL & DW	A new, almost 100m hedge alongside a track is being planted on the farm.	£9,994.60	£11,081.54	Oct 2023-
Davies, Lower Duffryn	This is being fenced to keep livestock from the new hedge and track. This			March 2024
Farm, Newcastle on	will reduce phosphate input into the local watercourse and help reduce soil			
Clun: Habitat Creation,	erosion therefore improving the quality of water in the river Clun. The			
Water Quality	project is also installing 185m of French drainage including cross drains and			
Improvement and Water	water storage tanks to improve the farm's resilience to drought and			
Storage	reduce the demand for water from the local area.			
SHR092 Land Girl	This project is creating and/or restoration 14 ponds and other associated	£82,802.09	£127,998.87	Nov 2023-
Friday, Clee Hills: Clee	wooded habitats to provide habitat for Great Crested Newts. The grant is			March 2025
Pond Project (across 5	adding value to match funding secured via the Shropshire Pond Creation			
land holdings)	Scheme (£52k), to support the creation of habitat of higher quality, of			
	greater area with greater connectivity. A large, landscape scale survey to			
	assess the connectivity and condition of habitat corridors connecting the			
	14 ponds and identify target areas for future habitat work. A selection of			
	pond dipping kit, including an aquascope, and 4 'pop up' pond events, will			
	allow landowners, their families and the wider community explore, learn			
	and fall in love with their ponds. This project extends across five land			
	holdings.			
SHR093 National Trust,	A project to deliver bracken and gorse management at scale across the	£118,360.00	£118,360.00	Apr 2024-
Long Mynd Common,	Long Mynd to leave a lasting and sustainable legacy of favourable Site of	,		March 2025
Church Stretton: Lives,	Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) condition, and a safer, thriving working			
Livelihoods, and	Common. Focusing on reducing and permanently removing gorse and			
Landscape; the Long	bracken from areas where it has increased to such an extent that wildlife			
Mynd Legacy	habitats have been and continue to be lost, and where large areas of the			
	hillside have become impenetrable to grazing livestock and causing access			
	to be dangerous. Grazing is a vital management tool across the Long Mynd,			
	and the obstruction caused by the amount and density of bracken and			
	gorse has a universal and significant detrimental impact.			
SHR094 Clee View	One of the key objectives of the Clee View Farmers group is to disseminate	£18,450.00	£18,450.00	Dec 2023 -
Farmers Group, Clee	knowledge within the local farming community and to communicate about	,	,	March 2024
hills: Educational Access	farming with people beyond it. Various members offer school visits or will			
and knowledge	be doing so as part of their Countryside Stewardship educational access			
exchange provision	offer. Other members provide farm visits as part of the group learning			
(across 9 land holdings)	programme and are willing to also make tours available to adult groups			
	interested to hear about what we do. To improve the offer and improve	I	1	1

SHR095 R Dahn & Son, Dahn's Acre, Ludlow: A place to return to nature and experience the countryside	visit experience, this project is supporting the purchase of a people carrying trailer that will be shared across members. The trailer will be equipped to seat around 32 people, have a canvas roof for all weather use and will include a wheelchair ramp and storage. This project extends across 9 land holdings. The creation of a place for people, who may not usually get to experience the countryside up close, or interact with farming, to have the opportunity to have an immersive stay on a farm. The project includes purchasing a family sized shepherds hut and creating a wildflower meadow, foraging hedgerow, orchard, and natural pond/bog area. Also, the creation of a	£27,038.83	£59,784.00	Jan 2024-Mar 2025
	sensory area including a muddy toes area (touch), herb beds (smell & taste), pollinator and bird homes (sounds), and an area where some of the ewes and lambs, and goats can be kept so people can interact with the farm animals at first-hand.			
SHR096 J Russell & H Plumb, Cwm Collo, Knighton: Hedgerow and orchard creation, and management of species rich meadow and woodland.	Planting 221 metres of hedgerow with hedgerow trees, and plant 15 fruit trees to create traditional orchard. 220m of stock fencing, and 175m of semi-permanent electrical fencing to support hedgerow creation. Botanical survey of species rich meadow and woodland to inform future management. This project will increase diversity of plant life, which in turn will increase areas for habitat, shelter, and food for wildlife, attracting invertebrates, birds and small mammals. It will also create greater connectivity between habitats.	£10,197.44	£10,563.87	Feb 2024 – March 2025
SHR097 M L Mellor, Handless Farm, Lydbury North: Protection of water course and enhancement of hedgerows	A small project which included fencing to prevent stock ingress to a 230m exposed water course and allow tree planting and hedgerow gaps totalling 120m to be in-filled. Re-siting of one water trough and addition of one new water trough. The project will deliver protection of a water course by preventing encroachment by livestock and enhanced wildlife habitat in uninterrupted hedgerow.	£6,088.27	£6,088.27	Feb 2024 – March 2024
SHR098 A Seabury & Co. Chapel Farm, Craven Arms: Twitchen Bank and Ashbeds hedging and fencing project to improve	A project across two different areas of the farm to include 98m of hedgerow creation on the site of a relic hedgerow to enable managed grazing on sensitive grassland habitat, and fencing within field (up to 50m in places) to allow encroachment of woodland further into field allowing new trees and scrub to establish thereby increasing diversity in this area. A small project which helps the landowner to build confidence and gain	£8,869.04	£8,869.04	Feb 2024 – March 2024

nature diversity and grazing regime	understanding of how a small change in land management can benefit the environment whilst also maintaining a farm business.			
SHR099 Sarah Odell, Bodbury Farm, Ludlow: Habitat creation, protection from soil wash and reduction in ammonia pollution at Bodbury Farm.	This phase 1 project carried out at the very end of the year included 225m of new hedgerow planting, alongside 225m sheep netting, and 10 hedgerow trees. Whilst growing, the hedgerows will reduce ammonia emissions that may be released from our organic outdoor pig operation. The hedgerow that runs west to east will also have the added benefit of reducing soil loss due to surface water erosion which is a natural phenomenon on the steep incline of clay soil that runs down to the stream at the bottom of the farm.	£7,079.10	£7,079.10	Feb 2024 – March 2024
SHR100 Plowden Farm Partnership, Myndtown Farm, Lydbury North: Water supply to the hillside	The aim of this project is to provide a permanent supply of water to land parcel 4124 at temporary locations to enable cattle grazing using solar powered water pump, poly pipe plus fittings, circular drinking tank and drag tank. There is not currently a water source on the SSSI. In order to facilitate a change in the stocking regime and move from sheep grazing to cattle grazing we need to provide water on the hillside.	£6,203.33	£9,133.60	March 2024 – March 2025
SHR101 WR Sankey, Brooks Farm, Ratlinghope Phase 1 – Fencing off track and hedgerow gapping plus improved livestock control on public unclassified road.	A public unclassified road runs through the farmyard and across the farm land. 415m of fencing off this road (to be planted with hedge in phase 2), 240m gapping up of existing hedge, gates to allow stock movement and bespoke kissing gate to maintain public right of way. This project will achieve greater wildlife diversity due to the area that will be rewilded and the restored hedge. Sheep tend to lie (and foul) on the track as it is warmer and drier – they will no longer be able to do this so any runoff down the track will be cleaner. It will also allow me to run my farm business alongside the tourists who visit the area.	£9,002.55	£9,002.55	March 2024 – March 2024
SHR0102 R J & K E Williams, Reilth House HBRG	A Historic Building Restoration Project to install new cast iron rainwater goods to 6 buildings, roof truss repairs to x2 buildings, timber re-boarding on yard facing elevations x5 buildings, installation of yard drainage to protect historic buildings and removal of concrete block structure attached to x1 building.	£49,882.19	£60,865.67	June 2024 – March 2025
SHR103 Clun Valley Farmers:	Landowners will each own a water photometer which can be used to monitor various parameters within the water courses on their holding to gain greater understanding of water quality. This information, along with	£7,370.10	£8,585.36	March 2024 - March 2025

Clun Valley Farmers Water and Soil	support from a planned events, will guide any potential changes in the management of their holding to improve their farm business, sustainability			
project (across 6	and environmental performance. This project will take place across six land			
holdings)	holdings.			
SHR104 RD & CC	After various local discussions it was established that on farm FEC could be	£4,889.22	£5,890.52	March 2024 –
Forsyth:	beneficial to local farmers and their environment. The project will purchase			March 2025
Ape Dale Farmers FEC	20 microscopes so that 20 farmers could learn to perform their own faecal			
project (across 20	eggs counts across 2,881 hectares of grassland on their farms. This will			
holdings)	bring a range of benefits to the farmers including targeted worming, ease			
	of testing resulting in increased frequency and timely response to worm			
	burden as well as the ability to test individual animals. Alongside this there			
	will be many benefits to the soil and environment as a result of reduced			
	worming and increased effectiveness.			
SHR105 Sarah Odell,	302m of new hedgerow planting. 392m protective sheep netting, and 4	£9,980.23	£9,980.23	March 2024 –
Bodbury Farm, Ludlow:	hedgerow trees. This project will extend existing hedgerow network and is			March 2025
Phase 2 - Cross contour	part of a longer term plan to plant even more hedgerows on the farm,			
hedgerows for	connecting existing hedgerows with new ones and creating more nature			
protection from soil	corridors across the farm and onto neighbouring land. The first phase of			
wash, and reduction in	FiPL hedgerow planning has already made a visual impact and there is			
ammonia pollution at	evidence of reduced run off that can be seen on an adjacent hardcore track			
Bodbury Farm.	that has less muddy water being washed onto it.			
SHR106 Jenny	The project will build the local food economy in the Shropshire Hills. It will	£13,112.20	£24,805.00	April 2024 –
Rouquette, Shropshire	create connections between the farming community and people who care			March 2026
Good Food Partnership:	about climate and nature friendly food through an interconnected series of			
Our Local Food System:	activities including contribution to the Shropshire Good Food Trail, Our			
Good Food and Farming	Food Stories which will celebrate the abundance and diversity of food			
in the Shropshire Hills	produced in the area through the seasons and contribution to the Marches			
	Real Food & Farming Convergence will bring people together in the wider			
	landscape to enable learning and exchange on agroecological farming			
	practices. A Shropshire Hills Knowledge exchange will organise targeted			
	field visits and on-farm training for peer learning in the Shropshire Hills			
	area.			
SHR107 Shropshire	12 farm water audits to inform future water management on farms	£24,000.00	£24,000.00	May 2024 –
Hills National	including:			March 2025
Landscape Partnership:	 potential interventions for water quality 			
	water resource mitigation works			

Farm Water Audits for Upper Onny Farmers Group (across 12 land holdings)	watercourse protection and restoration opportunities. Working alongside the farmer will mean the audits and the importance of how a fully functioning water system benefits the environment and the farm business will be better understood, and the audits will become workable documents that will inform good future land management decisions. This project will involve 12 land holdings.			
SHR108 J Manifold, Perry Gutter, Craven Arms: Perry Gutter Conservation and Biodiversity	The demand for this project in the proposed location is driven by the need to develop and maintain a variety of connected habitats which require segregation and enhancement. The project will involve erecting 378m of permanent stock fencing, including 6 gates: 2 for large machinery, 1 for stock and 3 for small machinery/pedestrian access.	£7,610.06	£7,610.06	May 2024 – March 2025
SHR109 D H Heighway & Co, Lower Norncott Barns: Stage 1 Condition Survey	Stage 1 condition survey for Lower Norncott Barns (1383728 – cowhouse, barn & shelter sheds to the north west of Lower Norncott farmhouse) to include initial assessments to support future restoration projects.	€4,320.00	£4,800.00	July 2024 – March 2025

Projects approved for funding in 2024/25

Project title	Description	FiPL grant awarded	Total project value	Duration of project
SHR110 Katherine Mellor: Pathfinder Project	Digital documentation and mapping of new and existing bridleway routes within the Shropshire Hills National Landscape boundary to encourage more riders of different abilities to visit the area.	£10,634.99	£10,664.99	May 2024 – March 2025
SHR111 W R Sankey, Brooks Farm, Ratlinghope: Lower Darnford water course protection/management and hedgerow creation.	Creation of hedgerow, gapping up and coppicing existing hedge, fencing off a water course and a professional botanical survey. The holding is adjacent to the Long Mynd Site of Special Scientific Interest and the project will provide the starting blocks for a continuation of this high-quality habitat.	£36,590.14	£36,590.14	June 2024 – March 2025
SHR112 A F Beavan & Co., Graig Farm, Knighton : Upper Trebert Meadow Project	We have a large project planned in this section of the farm to put in 1450m of fencing to minimise livestock access to a 705m length of stream and the approx. 3ha of linear woodland bordering, and then to subdivide the remaining fields to bring them into rotational grazing management.	£17,552.62	£21,500.26	June 2024 – March 2025
SHR113 Daniel J Lewis, Pool House Hollow, Bucknell: Provision of water for livestock to enable grazing management, restore pond and create/gap up hedgerows.	Pond restoration and protection, 586m of new hedgerow, 25 new hedgerow trees, 195m of gapping up/coppicing, 134m of historic hedge restoration. This project is restoring and creating new habitat corridors for wildlife on the farm. Grassland will also be enhanced through a greater control over grazing which will improve grass production and diversity.	£44,238.17	£47,313.37	June 2024 – March 2025
SHR114 JL & J Bennett, Welsh Row, Pennerley: Rotational grazing project	This project will provide infrastructure for rotational grazing, woodland creation to form windbreak and planting new hedgerows. 973m permanent electric fencing to allow for smaller pastures, 1km water pipe, 174m new hedgerow and trees and 92 trees for a windbreak.	£18,480.30	£19,101.25	July 2024 – March 2025
SHR115 RD & CC Forsyth, Red House Farm, Cardington: Facilities for educational visits, creation of new hedge, riparian strips and infrastructure to allow rotational grazing	This project includes the conversion of a stone barn for educational purposes, fencing of a brook to create riparian strip and new hedge and provide an alternative water source for livestock, introduce rotational grazing into the management plan for the farm.	£56,470.33	£70,171.29	June 2024 – March 2025

SHR117 M L Mellor, Handless	Restoration of 0.26 ha coppice by thinning mature trees and replanting	£12,609.26	£12,609.26	July 2024-
Farm, Lydbury North:	to create more diverse woodland habitat and fencing to better manage			March 2025
Regeneration of woodland,	livestock access, watercourse maintenance and fencing to prevent			
enhancement of hedgerows	livestock encroachment, totalling 443 m, hedge restoration by gapping,			
and protection of water	133 m			
courses				
SHR118 Walcot Farm	Protection of 760m of watercourse, restoration of 140m of historic	£29,369.84	£29,369.84	July2024-
Partnership, Walcot Farm,	hedgerow, planting of 15 sweet chestnut, fencing off woodland to allow			March 2025
Lydbury North:	natural regeneration. This project will help with natural flood			
Water course/wetland	management to reduce downstream peak flow levels, and improve river			
protection and hedgerow	water quality. Through habitation restoration, creation and corridors,			
reinstatement.	biodiversity will increase on the farm.			
SHR119 Anne Dyer,	Create a 5m woodland edge along the eastern and southern boundary	£3,816.15	£4,116.15	August 2024 –
Westhope Estate, Craven	of Corfields Bank wood, a 10-acre mixed woodland on the estate -			March 2025
Arms: All along the Edge -	Increase the area of woodland edge by excluding grazing from the			
woodland edge creation	adjacent pasture by fencing off, and increase woodland edge species by			
	natural regeneration and selected planting of 150 shrub spp in this newly			
	fenced area.			
SHR120 Leo Smith	The project will use professional ornithologists to locate as many nests	£9,819.00	£11,859.00	July 2024 –
Ornithological Surveys &	and territories as possible on the Long Mynd and advise National Trust			March 2025
Consultancy, Long Mynd,	of the results so they can ensure that the bracken management they are			
Church Stretton:	undertaking does not damage whinchat nests or habitats.			
Whinchat habitat and bracken				
management on the Long				
Mynd				
SHR121 R J & H V Price,	Implement rotational grazing systems in low input grassland using	£13,932.83	£20,497.30	July 2024 –
Peckledy Farm, Bucknell:	electric fence systems, mobile water bowsers, mobile creep feeders.			March 2025
Adding value to low input	Rotational grazing will allow longer rest periods to improve soil			
grassland by adopting	structure; relieve compaction, build aggregate structure, and maximise			
rotational grazing systems and	production from natures resources: water and sun.			
improvement of water quality				
SHR122 Sarah Odell, Bodbury	Wetland creation, woodland creation, including orchards and scrub,	£80,584.90	£99,399.27	August 2024 –
Farm, Ludlow:	planting of hedgerows, fencing off areas of rough land to maintain a			March 2025
Diverse habitat creation to	wildlife habitat, installing wildlife boxes.			
improve nature connectivity				
and native flora and fauna				

SHR123 Chris Parker, Cow	Create and enhance habitats and connectivity through pond creation,	£13,081.55	£13,081.55	August 2024 –
Hall Farm, Newcastle on Clun:	planting of hedgerow trees, creation of leaky dams, hedgerow gapping	£13,061.55	113,001.55	March 2025
Habitat creation				March 2025
	up, fencing to protect new hedges and in-field tree planting.	647.405.74	614.065.74	
SHR124 WME Davies, New	Restoring cross contour ditch with shallow sides. Replanting cross	£13,185.74	£14,865.74	
Invention:	contour hedgerow adjacent and double fencing to protect the hedge			
Hedgerow and ditch	and ditch from livestock. Three leaky dams will be installed in this ditch			
restoration, with water supply	using the coppiced trees from the hedge works taking place in the			
	existing FILP scheme. Providing water supply to individual fields and			
	farm building for livestock drinking with a solar pump.			
SHR125 Middle Marches	Continuing bracken control to enhance and re-establish acid	£3,346.20	£3,346.20	July 2024 –
Community Land Trust:	grassland. Wetland improvement for Small Pearl Bordered Fritillary			March 2025
Norbury Hill bracken control	habitat, planting of 100 trees to create ffridd wood pasture and habitat			
and habitat improvement	networks. Bespoke bracken control over fragile post medieval rabbit			
	warrens.			
SHR126 G W Sanders & Son,	Tapping into and protecting Well Meadow spring, utilising on-farm water	£17,189.79	£21,434.26	August 2024 –
Upper Ledwyche Farm,	to support rotational grazing and farm water resilience. Linking spring to			March 2025
Ludlow:	newly created pond (CS funded) via wetland feature, including creation			
Phase 2 Well Meadow Project	of 3 hibernacula and sowing of wetland flora species. Seepage barriers,			
	public bench, and bank edge, specific nest boxes for			
	Kingfishers. Creation of a shallow pool, scrub enhancement and			
	standard trees three fields away, to create a refuge and stepping stone			
	for wildlife across the farmed landscape. Water supply infrastructure			
	and solar electric fence kits to allow additional rotational grazing of 30			
	ha of new herbal leys in the surrounding fields.			
SHR127 Natural England,	Erection of stock fencing along defunct sections of boundary fence to	£7,559.79	£17,482.86	August 2024 –
Pennerley:	allow for change of grazing by commons right holders on NNR to all			March 2025
Infrastructure to allow change	cattle. The fencing would give encouragement by keeping neighbouring			
in grazing on the Stiperstones	cattle herds apart from common animals. To provide cattle collars for			
NNR	the two herds of cattle on the NNR to allow for easier checking on this			
	large upland site, welfare benefits and data to benefit future			
	conservation management.			
SHR128 H Gatehouse & Son,	Robin's Bench is a farmer-created local beauty spot, and this project	£7,982.54	£7,982.54	Nov 2024-
Coppice Farm, Ludlow:	aims to significantly enhance this feature by installing a more user-			March 2025
Robin's Bench	friendly platform area with bench and metal fabricated rail and steps.			
	The creation and installation of a bespoke 'skyline'interpretation			
	/information board, highlighting features of the surrounding Shropshire			
	Hills National Landscape.			

SHR129 Linsay Bury, Marsh	Project to provide alternative water supply for animals & to prevent	£6,259.56	£6,259.56	Oct 2024-
Farm, Abdon:	access to a deep sided stream and Abdon medieval village. To enable			March 2025
Protection of watercourses	the grazing of cattle on an area to be managed as low intensity grazing			
and scheduled monument	following hay crop.			
SHR130 Hawkhurst	A Project to provide alternative water supply making use of the water	£7,969.40	£9,939.40	October 2024
Meadows, Craven Arms:	from a farm well using a solar pump with connected pipes and water			– March 2025
Provision of alternative water	troughs, for animals & to prevent access to a tributary of the River Onny			
supply for livestock to protect	(East) and protect coppiced hedge, existing hedges, newly planted small			
watercourse & fencing to	native woodland and existing woodland from livestock. This will enable			
protect hedges and trees	the complete fencing off of the stream and prevent livestock access. It			
	will also enable better pasture management.			
SHR131 F Pinches & Son:	822m hedgerow regeneration, 119m new hedgerow planting, 397m	£66,418.45	£65,418.45	August 2024 –
Watercourse protection,	watercourse protection, installation of leaky damns and seepage			March 2026
wetland creation and	barriers, 4.3 ha of woodland and wetland to be protected, 2 wetland			
hedgerow rejuvenation	areas created. Farm talk to raise community awareness and			
	understanding of farming.			
SHR132 R&L Reynolds:	319m hedgerow reinstated through coppicing, gapping and replanting,	£34,390.66	£34,390.66	August 2024 –
Watercourse protection,	322m ditch protection, 366m of water course protection, 10 bankside			March 2025
habitat creation and borehole	trees coppiced, 3 leaky damns, and a borehole feasibility study			
feasibility				
SHR133 Downton Hall	Installing circa 8,600m of permanent electric fencing, water	£47,762.38	£49,482.88	August 2024 –
Partnership, Clee Downton:	infrastructure, and 1,500m of temporary electric fencing to allow mob			March 2025
Large scale livestock	grazing of sheep and cattle on herbal leys grown in arable fields. The			
integration into the arable	project will also create a sustainable drainage system on a 24ha block of			
rotation	arable land incorporating the restoration of seasonally wet ponds, leaky			
	wooden dams, and wildlife friendly ditches.			
SHR134 D H Heighway & Co.,	Purchase a large livestock trailer and mobile handling system for	£25,797.50	£51,595.00	Sept 2024-
New House Farm :	transporting and loading sheep between land which is being grazed for			March 2025
Livestock trailer and mobile	environmental benefits including Clee Liberty Common and Downton			
handling system to facilitate	Hall Estate.			
environmental grazing				
SHR135 G R Elliott & Rt Hon	Rejuvenate 480m of internal hedgerows by coppicing and gapping up,	£38,368.32	£40,054.32	Sept 2024 –
Sophia Anne Sackville-West:	and double fencing. Plant 208m of new hedge on a historic hedge			March 2026
Wildlife habitat creation at	boundary, and double fence. Plant new hedgerow trees in new &			
Woolstaston	rejuvenated hedges. Selectively coppice over-mature and vulnerable			
	bankside trees in dingle. Fence approximately 500m of wooded dingle to			
	exclude livestock, Install 3 leaky woody barriers, Create 6 new scrapes			

	to benefit snipe. Control of scrub, mainly bramble, on species diverse			
	area of grassland & wetland.			
SHR136 Plowden Farm	The aim of the project is to increase biodiversity on Black Hill SSSI,	£5,972.00	£7,465.00	Oct 2024-
Partnership, Myndtown	108ha of dwarf shrub heath and acid grassland, by mob grazing cattle		,	March 2025
Farm, Craven Arms:	fitted with No Fence collars. The area has previously been subject to a			
Managed cattle grazing on	sheep only, set stocked grazing regime and as such preferred areas			
SSSI using No Fence collars	have been over grazed. A different grazing regime will help to reverse			
-	the decline and restore this habitat.			
SHR137 HJS, TI & DW Davies,	A project to improve an existing blocked ditch into a functioning swale,	£26,346.66	£27,346.66	Sept 2024 -
Lower Duffryn Farm: Water	reinstate an existing land drain, add culverts in gateways, stone up			March 2025
Quality Improvement and	gateways, erect sheep netting, plant new hedge/wildlife area and gap up			
Habitat Creation	dead areas of hedge. Build bridge/cattle crossing over and fence off			
	significant water course.			
SHR138 The Brow Farm	1189 m of underground slurry pipe to enable slurry to be efficiently and	£49,718.83	£56,171.83	Sept 2024 -
Norbury Ltd, Norbury:	cleanly delivered to all areas of the farm for spreading. 598m of			March 2026
Soil health, nutrient	permanent electric fencing to protect water course. Solar pump to			
management and water quality	provide clean drinking water for livestock. Planting of 10 infield trees			
	Installation of 3 leaky dams. Farm walk for the local community			
SHR139 Phillip Morris,	Rejuvenation of 488m of relict hedgerow and planting of a further 273m	£38,800.32	£40,691.18	Sept 2024 –
Shukers House, Clun:	of lost hedgerow. Water supply provided by both solar pump and mains			March 2025
Boundary re-instatement and	connection to allow fields to be rotationally grazed. The water system			
rejuvenation with associated	includes the restoration of a silted-up pond and fencing of this from			
water supply	livestock.			
SHR140 Andrew Allott, Bank	Replacement of 800m of perimeter stock fencing and repairs to 400m	£9,457.57	£9,457.57	Oct 2024 –
Wood, Craven Arms:	perimeter stock fencing. Construction of deer fencing around a 0.26-			March 2025
Stock fencing and deer fencing	hectare coupe to allow re-establishment of woodland by replanting and			
to protect new planting and	natural regeneration to support the restoration of the woodland to			
natural regen in this PAWS	native broadleaves. Project complements other woodland management			
woodland	work being undertaken with Defra capital funding.			
SHR141 The High Leasowes	A project at this community-supported site which was purchased with	£6,956.78	£10,645.26	Oct 2024 –
Trust, Church Stretton:	community donations in 2023. The project, which will support habitat			March 2025
Enhanced interpretation and	management and improve interpretation at the site, includes fencing			
habitat at High Leasowes	and access gate to a newly created pond to exclude cattle and dogs,			
	boundary fencing to enable management by grazing cattle. Purchase of			
	electric fencing kit to allow grazing of meadow. Hedgerow restoration,			
	gapping up, planting of 250 trees to link to existing woodland area. 2 x			
	interpretation boards at main entrance and pond.			

SHR142 A Seabury & Co.,	Fencing off River Clun in three fields to provide a 0.7 ha buffer strip to	£6,314.08	£7,874.08	Nov 2024 –
Chapel Farm, Clunbury:	prevent livestock access to the river and potential to create a wetland			March 2026
Fencing off River Clun and	habitat. Installation of solar pump which will enable water to be pumped			
installation of solar pump	to five new livestock drinking troughs which in turn will enable a			
	managed grazing system which previously was not possible due to lack			
	of drinking water in fields not on the river margin.			
SHR143 Shropshire Hills	Five landowners all have areas of watercourse/wetlands on their	£4,275.00	£4,275.00	Oct 2024-
National Landscape:	holding. They find these areas difficult to farm and are seeking guidance			March 2025
Audit of nature-based	on how best to move forward with the land to increase its biodiversity			
solutions for selected areas on	value and natural flood management potential. Project supported by			
five different holdings in the	Severn Rivers Trust who will visit each site to ascertain the best way			
Clun Valley	forward with regards to managing the areas for improved biodiversity,			
	flood management interventions and improved water quality.			
SHR144 Leo Smith	Snipe is on the Amber List of Birds of Conservation Concern in the UK	£4,127.50	£4,127.50	Oct 2024 –
Ornithological Surveys &	and Stapeley Common is one of only four known breeding sites in			March 2025
Consultancy:	Shropshire. Snipe need very wet ground for feeding, close to nest sites.			
Habitat Management to	Soft rush and gorse have been increasing and encroaching onto the area			
increase the Snipe Population	of suitable habitat and both are contributing to the land drying out.			
at Stapeley Common	Selected areas of soft rush will be cut and and 2.01 ha of gorse will be			
	removed on the common.			
SHR145 S & R Jones,	The applicant has introduced herbal leys into his arable rotation and	£30,411.70	£30,411.70	Oct 2024 –
Penanheath Farm, Bishop's	wishes to use sheep to graze this as it will benefit soils and biodiversity,			March 2025
Castle:	and reduce run-off, soil loss and flooding issues. Improvements to a			
Infrastructure to enable	cross-contour hedge will also slow the flow. The project provided 3,330			
introduction of sheep into the	m of sheep netting fence to protect hedgerows and buffer strip as well			
arable rotation using herbal	as 77m of gapping up hedgerow and 98m of reinstating lost hedgerow.			
leys				
SHR146 Mr J W Byron,	A project to support change from sheep to rotational grazing with cattle	£10,856.77	£10,856.77	Oct 2024 –
Ashgrove Farm, Wentnor:	– includes encing to protect 480m watercourse, restoration of 160m			March 2025
Grassland improvement and	hedgerows to stockproof condition, managing overmature bankside			
habitat protection and	tree cover and installing water supply structure so that rotational			
restoration	grazing can be implemented across an additional 9.5ha.			
SHR147 T Hallett, Upper	The project will offer a visitor attraction in the Shropshire Hills to	£3,894.35	£7,191.45	Oct 2024 –
Stapeley Farm, White Gritt:	support pet owners' exposure to livestock in a safe, controlled manner,			March 2025
Canine Farmsense	with the aim of helping to educate the public about wildlife and farming.			
	Includes fencing off a small field to create a safe space for dogs and			

	livestock to interact and promotion for the initiative through media and marketing activities.			
SHR148 RJ & HM Sankey, Brow Farm, Ratlinghope: Protection and enhancement of Burnall's Brook and adjacent semi-natural habitats	Fencing both banks of Burnall's Brook to protect 600m of the watercourse, and enhance 3.55ha of riparian habitats, including alder & willow carr woodland and species rich grassland. Rejuvenating 40m of overmature hedgerow and planting 10 young trees to replace dying ash trees, and to increase age and species diversity across the holding.	£11,729.61	£11,729.61	Oct 2024 – March 2025
SHR149 MT Lewis & Son, Woodside Farm, Clun: Watercourse protection and renovation	A project to protect a tributary as it leaves the applicant's land close to where it enters the River Clun. At present livestock can access the river and bankside vegetation is sparse. Project includes culverting the watercourse and covering with hardcore, fencing 300m of watercourse, coppicing bankside trees, planting 79m lost cross-contour hedgerow and installation of livestock drinking troughs and pipework.	£14,591.23	£14,591.23	Oct 2024 – March 2025
SHR150 R & L Reynolds, Stone House, Newcastle on Clun: Borehole to enable a nature friendly sustainable farm business.	The farm is in the catchment of the Folly Brook which leads directly to the River Clun. Due to lack of an alternative water supply, grazing cannot be effectively managed as access to water is limited so fields have to be grazed as larger units. Wet flushes cannot be protected from livestock and sediment and nutrient pollution of the river cannot be prevented. The borehole and header tank will provide this alternative water supply. Severn Rivers Trust is match-funding the work alongside a series of agreed environmental works.	£6,786.68	£14,033.34	Nov 2024 – March 2025
SHR151 Clement Robin Woodbine Parish, Lower Down Farm, Lydbury North: Wood pasture creation	Project will create a wood pasture which will be used for grazing cattle and sheep. The intention is to plant 60 trees across 6.4 ha with cactus guards providing protection from livestock. Each tree will have 3 thorny shrubs planted closely with it to protect the tree from browsing.	£5,304.72	£5,304.72	Oct 2024 – March 2025
SHR152 S. Pennington & Son., Wilstone Farm, Church Stretton: Pool and wetland restoration and protection	An area of wetland, which formerly included a large area of open water has become infilled and willow scrub is now dominant. Through Shropshire Wildlife Trust's Pond Project, two pools will be restored to benefit local Great Crested Newt populations. This work will add value by erecting 280m of new stock fencing to protect the new pools, install one field gate to enable controlled grazing, two river gates to protect wetland habitat, and coppice ten mature bankside trees.	£4,424.91	£12,124.91	Dec 2024 – March 2026
SHR153 C Evans & Son, Spring Hill Farm, Clun: Watercourse protection and habitat creation	The project will create new habitat in a field corner with restoration of historic hedge line, new fencing and tree planting. In the same field livestock will be excluded from a watercourse and water piped to two	£7,700.56	£7,700.56	Nov 2024 – March 2025

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	new livestock troughs reducing an area of poaching and sediment run-			
	off, and the area fenced off to create habitat along the stream sides.			
SHR154 Myndtown Parish	Laying of 115 m of mature hedge between two fields owned by the	£6,335.00	£6,335.00	Nov 2024 –
Fields, Norbury:	Parish, using staking and binding for maximum effectiveness, gapping			March 2025
Enhancement and	up as necessary to fully restore the hedge, and double fencing to			
preservation of hedgerows,	protect from livestock. Fencing 120m along water course to prevent			
and protection of water course	livestock soiling and poaching.			
SHR155 Earley	Widening the scope of current countryside experience offered by	£9,895.95	£13,208.12	Dec 2024 –
Accommodation Ltd., School	glamping site by encouraging school visits to visit the farm. The project			March 2025
House Farm, Sheinton:	will provide a unique 16 acre pasture left to re-wild bordered by a brook			
Equipment for School Visits	– scope of school visits will be expanded through a 4G wildlife camera for			
	live feed footage, an undercover area to shelter from weather, 2 x			
	compost toilets and 1 x wellie washer back at yard.			
SHR156 C O Watkins & Son,	Rotational grazing equipment to be purchased in order to extend a	£7,493.16	£10,902.10	Dec 2024 -
Powkesmore Farm, Ditton	rotational grazing system across a further 25ha, including cover crops in		·	March 2025
Priors:	an arable rotation. To include 3 moveable solar electric fencing kits and			
Improving soil carbon storage	3 drag water troughs, 2 solar water pumps and stock fencing and gates			
and soil organic matter	to exclude stock from two ponds. This will also enable more stock			
	moves, so the grass/cover crops/herbal leys can get longer rest			
	periods.			
SHR159 R J & K E Williams,	Installation of borehole to connect to new water supply infrastructure to	£8,161.90	£23,873.40	Jan 2025-
Rockhill, Clun:	enable managed rotational grazing on improved grassland and		·	March 2025
Solar Powered Borehole	permanent pastures across 120 acres. This will eradicate the			
	requirement to bring water to the holding in IBC containers from			
	approximately 7 miles away in Knighton and lowering the usage			
	pressures on the existing natural spring supplies and wetland habitats.			
SHR161 Gwyn Jones &	A project to restore and fence an old hedgerow and protect an upland	£4,692.83	£4,692.83	Jan 2025-
Partners, Weirstone Farm,	flush. The hedgerow is very overgrown, all one age and is currently			March 2025
Newcastle-on-Clun:	prone to wind damage. The new fence will protect the coppice stools			
Coppice & Fencing Project to	and also widen out at the north end to protect an upland flush which is			
protect upland flush	currently grazed by livestock. Includes 220m of hedge row coppicing,			
•	319m sheep netting fence, two wooden field gates			
SHR162 BT & JA Stead & Son,	The applicant would like to do more for visiting school children and	£6,472.26	£8,046.62	Feb 2025-
Greater Poston Farm, Craven	adults to explain farming activities including where their food comes		,	March 2026
Arms:	from, and how it is produced, as well as learning about habitats and			
People and Pasture Project	wildlife on the farm. The project will provide a dry undercover meeting			

	space for school and volunteer groups and toilet facilities by erecting a polytunnel and a compost toilet for use for all visitors to the farm.			
SHR163 H D Morgan-Jones	A trial project using temporary electric fencing to control cattle grazing	£7,603.11	£7,603.11	March 2025
Offa's Dyke fencing and	on Offa's Dyke as well as felling of two areas of trees which are currently			
felling	damaging the Scheduled Ancient Monument – includes electric fencing for approx 225m alongside Offa's Dyke within the scheduled ancient			
	monument with a corridor to provide drinking access, fell two area of trees within the SAM and purchase three gates to aid cattle movement			