Expression of interest window dates November 2022

Scheme	Summary	Window dates
Glastir Contract Extensions	Farmers with Glastir contracts have/will be offered contract extensions via their RPW Online account before the end of the year.	
	Those who receive contract extensions will have until 31st December 2022 to accept.	
Glastir Derogations	Any farmer having difficulty meeting the requirements of their Glastir contract may request a derogation using their RPW Online account.	
	A request for a derogation may be submitted for any option within a Glastir contract and will be considered on a case by case basis.	
	Details of the option and field number should be provided, along with as much information as possible regarding the circumstances leading to the request. Supporting documentation may be required and requested in certain circumstances, depending on the nature of the request.	
	HOWEVER, as things stand they will have to forfeit the relevant payment on that parcel.	
Woodland Creation Planning Scheme	The Woodland Creation Planning Scheme offers grants of between £1000 and £5000 to develop plans for new woodland creation.	Open until 31st December 2022
	After a plan is successfully verified by NRW it will be eligible for Welsh Government funding for tree planting.	
	More information here: https://gov.wales/woodland-creation-plan-scheme	
	The design of the scheme is based on the pilot which was run last year. The scheme will be open throughout the year (subject to budget) with applications selected every 6 weeks.	
	Funding for woodland creation will be available from August 2022, with windows opening every 3 months from then onwards (subject to budget).	

Horticulture Development	The Horticulture Development scheme is a Capital grant scheme available to existing commercial horticultural producers across Wales. The aim of the scheme is to:	5th December 2022 - 10th March 2023
	 Support existing commercial horticultural producers to develop their businesses through investment in new equipment and technology that offer clear and quantifiable benefits to the horticultural enterprise. Enable horticultural businesses to sustainably expand production, diversify into new crops, improve production efficiency and enhance product quality. Enable horticultural producers to enter new markets. Increase local employment and support the rural economy as part of the green recovery from Covid-19. 	
	The scheme is discretionary. The amount of grant offered would relate to individual circumstances and would always be the minimum amount necessary to allow the investments to go ahead. More information:	
	https://gov.wales/horticulture-development-scheme	

Agricultural
Diversification
Scheme

The indicative budget allocation for this application window is £1.5m.

The Agricultural Diversification Scheme is a capital grant scheme available to farmers in Wales. The objectives of the scheme are to:

- Support the establishment of new viable agricultural diversification enterprises on farms.
- Support the development of existing novel or niche enterprises.
- Build resilience into Welsh agriculture by developing diversified income streams.
- Reduce the reliance on traditional agricultural enterprises.
- Respond to new market opportunities and develop new markets.

The scheme will provide capital grants to help the establishment or development of agricultural diversification projects including the growing of novel or alternative crops, adding value to non-food agricultural products or by-products and livestock enterprises that are not traditional enterprises in Wales, for example sheep or goat milking.

More information: https://gov.wales/agriculture-diversification-scheme

10th October 2022 to 13th January 2023

Peatland Development Grant	£100,000 capital funds are available as £10k-£30k grants to individuals and organisations for developing peatland conservation projects.	8th November 2022 to 8th February 2023
	The successful Round 2 Development Grant projects must be completed by the end of March 2024.	
	These could then be projects ready for delivery in 2024/25, potentially funded through the Wales Peatland Action Programme, or other funding streams.	
	All details and the application process can be accessed through the Wales Peatland Action Programme web page.	
	Webinars to explain the application process will be conducted online on 30/11/22 (9:30am English and 11:00am Welsh) with registration in English or Welsh . A recording of the webinars will be uploaded for ongoing reference.	
	All queries about the grant and application process should be directed to grants.enquiries@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk	
	Any queries regarding the map , or peatland specifically, should be directed to NPAP@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk	

Food Business Accelerator Scheme Support under this scheme covers tangible and/or intangible investments in processing activities which offer clear and quantifiable benefits to the food and drink industry in Wales and its supply chains.

The output can be any kind of food and drink product for human consumption; animal feed products; pet food products; other functional food products; nutraceutical products; and non-food products such as bio-plastics.

You are eligible to apply if:

You are a **VAT Registered businesses** involved in primary and/or secondary processing of agricultural and non-agricultural products, such as:

- private and public limited companies
- Sole Traders and Partnerships
- farm businesses to process agricultural products
- new businesses, including established businesses starting a new diversification and start-up businesses.
- non-profit companies, co-operatives, community, public and voluntary sector organisations

In addition, in order to apply you need to have registered with the Welsh Government and have been issued with a Customer Reference Number (CRN).

Eligible Costs

Support under this scheme can cover tangible assets such as purchasing and/or developing land, buildings, machinery and equipment and intangible assets such as computer software, patent rights and licences and technical and consultancy fees, subject to limitations.

The maximum grant threshold per enterprise for any individual investment project is £5,000,000.

The minimum grant threshold per enterprise for any individual investment project is £20,000.

More information:

https://gov.wales/food-business-accelerator-scheme-guidance-html

Opens on 17th
November 2022
and a selection
will be carried out
every 4 weeks to
invite successful
beneficiaries to
submit a full
application. The
window will
remain open until
the budget
allocation has
been reached.

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