

Expression of interest window dates January 2024

Scheme	Summary	Window dates
Woodland Creation Planning Scheme	<p>The Woodland Creation Planning Scheme offers grants of between £1,000 and £5,000 to develop plans for new woodland creation. After a plan is successfully verified by NRW, it will be eligible for Welsh Government funding for tree planting and fencing (Woodland Creation Grant).</p> <p>More information can be found at the following link: https://gov.wales/woodland-creation-plan-scheme</p>	Open throughout the year (subject to budget)
Small Grants – Environment	<p>The Small Grants - Environment is a standalone scheme providing a maximum of £7,500 funding per window for Capital Works Projects. Set lists of Capital Works are available to support the delivery of beneficial environmental outcomes under the following three themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • carbon • water • landscape and pollinators. <p>Further details are to be published around the theme of this round of Small Grants - Environment. For more information: https://www.gov.wales/small-grants-environment</p>	8th January 2024 - 16th February 2024
Small Grants - Woodland Creation	<p>Small Grants – Woodland Creation is a scheme aimed at farmers and other land managers to encourage planting of small areas of trees on land which is agriculturally improved or low environmental value in Wales.</p> <p>Funding is available for tree planting to create shelterwoods, alongside watercourses, and in field corners or small fields for stock shelter, biodiversity and woodfuel. Small Grants – Woodland Creation also offers 12 years of payments for Maintenance and Premium payment in respect of the new planting.</p> <p>Livestock and deer fencing and gates for public access are also included. The application process provides a way of ensuring planting proposals meet the UK Forestry Standard (UKFS) requirements without the need for verification of a woodland creation plan by NRW. Funding is available for planting areas between 0.1ha and 1.99ha.</p> <p>More information: https://www.gov.wales/small-grants-woodland-creation</p>	4th March 2024 - 19th April 2024
Small Grants – Efficiency	<p>The Small Grants - Efficiency scheme is a capital scheme designed to help farmers in Wales to improve the technical, financial and environmental performance of their farm businesses.</p> <p>The objectives are to increase on-farm investment, increase technical performance, increase on-farm production efficiencies, increase on-farm resource efficiencies and enhance the use of technology to improve management decisions.</p> <p>The Small Grants – Efficiency scheme supports capital investments in equipment and technology that have been pre-identified as offering</p>	6th March 2024 - 16th April 2024

	<p>clear and quantifiable benefits to your farm business. The capital items have been specified, along with a referenced cost for each item. More information: https://www.gov.wales/small-grants-efficiency</p>	
Woodland Creation Grant	<p>The Woodland Creation Grant provides financial support for creating larger areas of woodland or small areas not suitable for the Small Grants - Woodland Creation Scheme. The minimum area of land for an application is 0.25ha. There is no maximum area. The scheme provides funding for the planting of trees and the installation of fencing and gates. It also offers 12 years of maintenance and premium payments (compensation for loss of agricultural income). Planting trees under the scheme will not affect Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) payments or land eligibility.</p> <p>More information: https://www.gov.wales/woodland-creation-grant</p>	4th March 2024 - 22nd November 2024