

Expression of interest window dates June 2023

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 (Carbon)	<p>A scheme to support a range of land management interventions and provide capital support for on-farm environmental improvements to enhance the quality of Wales’ natural resources.</p> <p>It is a standalone scheme providing a maximum of £7,500 funding per window for Capital Works Projects.</p> <p>This round will address the theme of Carbon.</p> <p>Land parcels already under Glastir contracts will not be eligible.</p> <p>More information: https://gov.wales/small-grants-environment</p>	22nd May 2023 - 30th June 2023
Growing for the Environment (Autumn cover crops)	<p>Growing for the Environment is a grant scheme available to all eligible farmers in Wales. The scheme supports the growing and utilisation of crops, which can result in improvements in the environmental performance of a farm business.</p> <p>The scheme objectives are to support farmers to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce carbon and greenhouse gas emissions. • Adapt to climate change and build greater resilience into farm businesses. • Improve water quality and reduce flood risks. • Contribute towards a reversal in the decline of Wales’ native biodiversity <p>Crops and activity supported through the Growing for the Environment scheme have been pre-identified as offering clear and quantifiable benefits to the environment and farm business. The maximum grant award is £5,000.</p> <p>The minimum grant award is equivalent to the payment rate for 1 ha of eligible crop.</p> <p>Your application may exceed the maximum grant. If your EoI is selected, the related claim will be capped to the maximum £5,000.</p>	5th June 2023 - 14th July 2023

	<p>The minimum area that can be applied for is 1 ha of crops. The 1 ha minimum area can be comprised of an accumulation of smaller areas in more than one field parcel, providing the contributing area does not fall below 0.10 ha in size in any individual field parcel. Applicants can split the minimum 1ha area across one or more land parcels.</p> <p>For more information visit https://www.gov.wales/growing-for-the-environment</p>	
Small Grants - Woodland Creation	<p>For small areas of tree planting under 2 hectares. This scheme is aimed at farmers and other landowners to encourage planting of small areas of trees on land which is agriculturally improved or of low environmental value in Wales, therefore applications will not need a woodland creation plan verified by NRW.</p> <p>The scheme offers no loss of Basic Payment Scheme, 12 years of maintenance and premium payments, alongside an increased fencing rate of £8.32/m.</p> <p>More information can be found at the following link: https://gov.wales/small-grants-woodland-creation</p>	24th July 2023 - 15th September 2023
Woodland Creation Grant	<p>For larger schemes (however the minimum area is only 0.25ha made up of parcels which are a minimum of 0.1ha) and those which do not qualify for the Small Grants – Woodland Creation Scheme.</p> <p>A woodland creation plan is required in advance. Funding is available through the Woodland creation Planning Scheme.</p> <p>The scheme offers no loss of Basic Payment Scheme, 12 years of maintenance and premium payments, alongside an increased fencing rate of £8.32/m.</p> <p>More information can be found using the following link: Woodland Creation Grant Sub-topic GOV.WALES</p>	24th July 2023 - 15th September 2023
Food Business Accelerator Scheme	<p>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.</p> <p>You are eligible to apply if:</p> <p>You are a VAT Registered businesses involved in primary and/or secondary processing of agricultural and non-agricultural products, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • private and public limited companies • Sole Traders and Partnerships • farm businesses to process agricultural products 	Opened 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.

- new businesses, including established businesses starting a new diversification and start-up businesses.
- non-profit companies, co-operatives, community, public and voluntary sector organisations

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.

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More information:

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