

Members sought for Dartmoor's Farming in Protected Landscape grant funding Local Assessment Panel (LAP)

The [Farming in Protected Landscapes programme](#) (FiPL) has been extended for a further three years until March 2029. Since its launch, [Farming in Protected Landscapes](#) has awarded more than £3 million of grant funding to projects on Dartmoor. The money has supported a range of projects across the themes of water management, nature recovery, access improvements, wildfire management, farm education visits and supporting sustainable upland farm businesses. Examples of funded projects on Dartmoor can be found [here](#).

To be eligible, funding bids must benefit nature recovery, mitigate the impacts of climate change, provide opportunities for people to discover, enjoy and understand the National Park, or protect or improve the quality and character of the landscape.

On Dartmoor, Farming in Protected Landscapes is delivered through the National Park Authority with an independent local assessment panel making decisions on funding applications over ten thousand pounds. Dartmoor is looking to appoint two new panel members to allocate money for projects that deliver benefits on the themes of nature, climate, people and place in the National Park.

The panel meet every six to eight weeks with expenses paid for time and travel. New panel members will sit alongside members from Dartmoor Commoners Council, Dartmoor National Park Authority, Natural England, Environmental NGOs, and representatives from the farming and land management community.

Requirements of LAP members

- Attendance at up to 8 assessment meetings per year between April and March typically held on Wednesdays after 11:00
- Agreement of the terms of reference found [here](#).
- Have relevant experience of farming and/or land management on Dartmoor
- Capacity to review applications against funding criteria prior to LAP meetings to ensure constructive input to assessment decisions. Terms of the funding criteria can be found [here](#).

This is a great opportunity for someone who is passionate about farming and land management on Dartmoor to support in the understanding of both traditional and innovative approaches helping to ensure a high-quality environment with a range of public benefits

Apply by sending a personal statement outlining relevant knowledge and experience to fipl@dartmoor.gov.uk by the end of the day on **Monday 27th April 2026**.

For an informal discussion please contact James Wright (FiPL manager) via e-mail: jwright@dartmoor.gov.uk or phone 01626 831051.