

Thriving farms, dales and nature

The limestone dales are the heart of the White Peak and are among the best wildlife sites in the world. They are critical to nature recovery in the UK.

If you manage land within or adjacent to the dales, together we can help nature thrive alongside sustainable, profitable farming.

What is Landscape Recovery?

It's a new Defra scheme to recover nature and benefit farming across whole landscapes.

In the Peak District, it's for local farmers and land managers working together with the National Park to enhance the White Peak's wildlife.

What area will it cover?

The ambition is to include the whole of the White Peak, though this depends on interest from farmers and may need to be achieved over some years – the more farms involved the better!







What sort of work might this support?

You would help decide what it covers – it could be:

- low-input woody pasture or agro-forestry on the dale-tops,
- planting scattered trees along field edges and corners,
- enhancing existing flower-rich grasslands and hay meadows,
- supporting traditional mixed farming with legume-herb swards in rotation with arable.

How can I get involved?

Take part in the initial 2-year development phase to help identify workable options to fund thriving farms, dales and nature.

If, after the first phase you're not convinced, you can pull out and don't need to deliver anything on the ground. There's nothing to lose, you can only gain by taking part.

If you're interested, please email or phone us:

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