

## FiPL Summary 2022-2023

Business Name, Location	FiPL Grant Claimed	Total Project Cost	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Description
Embleton Quarry Nature Reserve c/o Embleton Parish Council	£35,768.63	£38,268.63	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Year 2 of this multifaceted project. Funded work included preservation of Embleton Quarry House as a historic building, local landmark and important wildlife habitat through consolidation of the building for safety reasons and so no more dilapidation occurs. Groundworks and landscaping around the building to expose the quarry face as a feature and create areas for whinstone grassland to develop. Additional wetland creation areas near the pond. Tree sparrow nesting areas and bat boxes. New fencing and gates to allow further grazing by ponies. New path surfacing to improve access for all users. Creation of seating area for visitors, creation of Dark Skies area and interpretation.
Frater Bros, Boulmer Hall Farm, Boulmer	£6,089.10	£7589.10	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Removal of storm damaged trees that have fallen into the pond, and replacement planting of 20 Scots pine trees. Replacement of old fence with new stock proof fence (225m) around the pond. New fencing of hedgerow to protect hedgerow from grazing animals (460m) and contain stock and 180m of new hedgerow connecting existing hedgerows. It retains and protects the feature for nesting Herons now and in the future. New hedging reinforces and connects the existing hedge and adds biodiversity and helps carbon capture, as does the tree planting.
Easington Grange Farm & Chesterhill Farm, Budle Bay	£17,620.50	£19,999.50	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Restored 665m of hedgerow through coppicing and gapping up and the creation of several wildlife corridors using a mixture of fruit trees and hedgerow trees across the two farms.
Hosted by Coastal Grains Ltd, Belford	£6,440.00	£6,440.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Four talks and demonstrations by authoritative and respected experts in the field of Nature Recovery to a farmer group (100+ farmers and practitioners attended) in late 2022/early 2023. Intended to raise awareness and knowledge, new ideas and innovative approaches to nature recovery and regenerative agriculture. Subjects included nature recovery, soil carbon, dung beetles and soil invertebrates in regenerative agriculture.

W Curry & Sons, Howick	£4,096.70	£5,651.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Fencing of a field to allow grazing by livestock to improve the botanical diversity of the field and to provide flexible grazing option for nearby nature reserve.
R & J Brigham, Holy Island	£4,234.10	£4,234.10	1 April 2022	31 March 2024	Species-rich meadow restoration through overseeding on small paddocks at Coombs Farm, culvert works on the Straight Lonnen to alleviate flooding and improve access, diversion of the water to wader scrapes adjacent and hedging and fencing near the farm (to be completed).
Frater Bros, Boulmer Hall Farm, Boulmer	£3,350.55	£4,750.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Repair and restoration of a long boundary stone wall.
J Manners Ltd, North Farm, Embleton	£5,057.00	£10,021.30	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Gapping up 350m hedgerow and 160m of new mixed hedgerows at North Farm, plus some stone wall repair.
L G Douglas, Embleton	£47,135.66	£47,135.66	1 April 2022	31 March 2024	Multi-year major landscape and biodiversity enhancement project at Embleton farm including new fencing, hedging (1545m/9000+ plants), hedgerow trees, fruit trees, standard trees in guards and orchard trees (316 trees).
D A Howie & Sons, Warkworth	£4,948.20	£7,762.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Enhancement of the wetland area at Beal Bank in arable field through incorporation of an adjustable sluice in the adjacent ditch to keep water on the field for longer in the spring for visiting and breeding birds such as waders. Refencing of the hedgerow along the ditch to allow it to expand and grow out for farmland birds like Yellowhammer, Grey Partridge, Reed Bunting.
Coast Care	£8,800.00	£8,800.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Year 2 funding for Barn Owl project within the AONB run by Coast Care volunteers. Creation and installation of 2 Barn Owl sheds and 9 Barn Owl boxes – made by the volunteers, installed at suitable farms. Training for volunteers in monitoring boxes and ringing Barn Owls.
M Frater Farming, Lookout Farm, Lesbury	£4,611.10	£8,386.95	1 April 2022	31 March 2024	Creation of wildflower and herb rich pollinator patch on streamside at Lookout Farm, fencing and gates to improve access, parkland tree planting also to be completed in 2023.
Northumberland Rivers Trust	£4,945.00	£4,945.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	NRT appointed as facilitators to create a farmer cluster in the Lindisfarne area, including setting up a steering group, and 2 further events inviting farmers to talks by Natural England, Defra and the AONB covering topics such as ELMs, nutrient neutrality, nature recovery and getting their input for taking the group forward.

Cresswell Farms, Belford	£6,860.36	£13,720.72	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Deer fencing c.6 hectares of Barrack Wood to prevent deer ingress, so that the woodland can regenerate and to protect the ground flora and shrub layer from browsing for key species.
Embleton Mill Ltd	£8,679.98	£18,183.13	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Diverse project including funding materials to create raptor boxes (owls, kestrel) to instal around the farm to control rodents and so have less reliance on chemical pest control. Also contribution to creation of farm shop in Embleton village, selling local produce, including chiller, display units, interpretation (farm to fork).
T R Thompson & Son	£2,775.00	£2,775.00	1 April 2022	31 March 2023	Broxfield Farm Education Facility. Funding for making the education space more fit for purpose for school groups with wide range of needs including new flooring and interpretation relating to farming, food, the AONB, biodiversity.