



The Quantock Landscape Partnership Scheme (QLPS) has been developed by a partnership led by the Quantock Hills AONB. It is a £2.6m five year scheme starting in spring 2020, funded by a £1.8m grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund with partnership funding from EDF Energy through the Hinkley s.106 fund, the National Trust, Friends of Quantock, the AONB itself, and volunteer time.

The Quantock Hills are known not only for their lovely landscape, but also for their remarkable story of human interaction with nature reaching back many thousands of years.

Now the Hills are under increasing pressure, from changing agriculture, increasing recreational use, and climate change. At the same time the health and wellbeing benefits of the outdoors aren't accessible to some of the most disadvantaged communities in the nearby towns.

The QLPS will help to address these issues, giving more people more opportunities to participate and building the capacity and skills of local volunteers.



Find out more, to get involved,
or to enquire about the various small grants
on offer contact;

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Reimagining the Manor

Working across the Quantock Hills AONB and surrounding parishes



The scheme will deliver 23 projects which aim to work together to:

Inspire - helping people to understand the landscape and its cultural influences, and work with everyone involved to manage the pressures and opportunities into the future.

We will do this by:

- Providing outdoor education for schools
- Providing a fun public events programme for everyone to enjoy, with targeted activities and events for disadvantaged communities and individuals
- Holding a wide ranging and inclusive consultation about the future for the Quantocks over the next 50 years or so, arriving at a strategy to adapt to and manage change
- Running a Young Rangers and practical Apprenticeship programme



Live - undertake physical works to conserve and enhance the landscape and heritage assets of the Quantock Hills.

We will do this by:

- Providing a grant scheme to help communities and landowners restore and protect the historic heritage of the area
- Undertaking works to restore or replant hedgerows, traditional orchards, and parkland trees
- Supporting community woodlands
- Providing opportunities for volunteering, with lots of training opportunities
- Supporting the Quantock Walking Festival
- Creating waymarked circular walking routes exploring the unexplored fringing foothills



Learn - increase knowledge of the Quantock Hills and the role of the estates in the formation of its landscapes.

We will do this by:

- Using the archives at the South West Heritage Centre to better understand how the Quantock landscape has changed and why, and to inform plans for the future
- Celebrating the song and dance heritage of the area
- Running a community archaeology programme with lots of opportunities to get hands-on experience