

Agricultural Transition Plan

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	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Direct payments, lump sum and delinking							
'Progressive Reductions' to BPS payments	5 – 25% cuts	20 – 40% cuts	35 – 55% cuts	50 – 70% cuts	Rate of cut not published yet	Rate of cut not published yet	Rate of cut not published yet
Delinked payments	Consultation			Open	→		End
Lump Sum Exit Scheme (aka retirement scheme)	Consultation Further info delayed	Expected to be open from April 2022 to September 2022	TBC				
New Entrant Support Scheme	Consultation Info expected 11/21 delayed	Open	→	End			
Environment and animal health & welfare							
Countryside Stewardship	Open	→	Last year for new applications	End			
Sustainable Farming Incentive (previously Tier 1)	SFI pilot cohort 1 started 11/22	SFI pilot cohort 2 starts 7/22 SFI 2022 starts mid 22	SFI pilot cohort 3 starts 7/23	Full scheme open	→		
Local Nature Recovery (previously Tier 2)	Pilot recruitment delayed	Pilot expected to start 11/22	'Early version' trialled with up to 500 farmers	Full scheme open	→		
Landscape Recovery (previously Tier 3)	Pilot recruitment starts	Pilot starts of up to 15 projects	Pilot cohort 2 starts	Full scheme open	→		
Farming in protected landscapes	Started 7/21	→		End			
Tree Health Scheme	Pilot started 8/21	→		Full scheme open	→		
England Woodland Creation Offer	Open 6/21	→			Becomes part of ELM		
Animal health and welfare pathway	Consultation	Vet visits start early 22. Small and large grants open later in 22 (more info expected in Oct 22)	Payment-by-results pilot open	→			
Farming Investment Fund and other prosperity funds							
FIF – Farming Equipment and Technology Fund (smaller grants, simple application)	Opened 11/21	Further rounds expected	→	End			
FIF – Farming Transformation Fund (larger grants, two stage application)	Water Management theme opened 11/21	Improving Farm Productivity theme opened 1/22	→	End			
Future Farming Resilience Fund (advice for farmers)	Low demand for 'interim phase'	'Scale up phase' postponed to late 22.	→	End			
Slurry Investment Scheme (no longer stand alone; will be part of FIF)	Consultation	Capital grants open autumn 22	→		End		
Farming Innovation Programme (NB Previously called Innovation R&D Scheme)	Opened 11/21	Large R&D Partnership Projects and Farming Futures R&D Fund open spring 22	→				
Other schemes							
Regulatory reform	Starts	→		New regulatory approach implemented	→		

NB: We have included some current schemes to show how they will dovetail, for example Countryside Stewardship and ELM.

Sources: The Path to Sustainable Farming, DEFRA, November 2020; Sustainable Farming Incentive plans for piloting and launching, DEFRA, March 2021; Agricultural Transition Plan June 2021 progress update, DEFRA; Farming is changing, December 2021; George Eustice's speech at the Oxford Farming Conference and subsequent policy papers, January 2022.