



## Grants & Regulations news

Protecting, expanding and improving England's woodlands

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### Request your application pack now - Countryside Stewardship opens today

Find out what funding you can apply for and how to request your application pack.

You can apply for the woodland improvement grant via higher tier now, see our [Woodland Support page](#) for a link to the [Countryside Stewardship: Higher Tier manual](#) and details of how to request your application pack.

### Join our customer webinar

If you would like to find out more then please register to join our webinar.

Higher Tier application process for woodlands customer webinar:

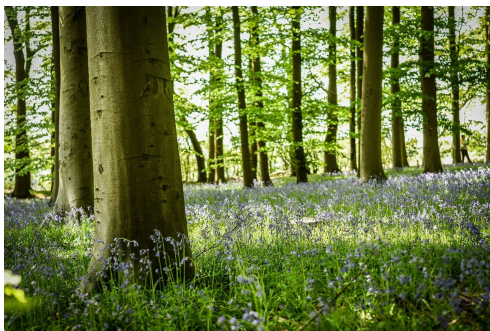
Thursday 7 March 2019

12:00 - 1:00pm

[Please register to attend.](#)

### How do I get an application pack?

Request your pack by 31 March 2019 from Defra Rural Services Helpline at the RPA, they will be sent out from early March.



### Contact Defra Rural Services to request your application pack

Rural Payments Agency  
(Countryside Stewardship)

PO Box 324

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[ruralpayments@defra.gov.uk](mailto:ruralpayments@defra.gov.uk)

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You must return your completed applications by 3 May 2019 when the application window closes.

## Do you need help to find out what funding is available?

Find out what funding you could apply for using this [Countryside Stewardship: an overview leaflet](#).

Grants for woodland creation, woodland tree health and woodland management plans remain open for applications all year.

All Countryside Stewardship agreements will be funded for their full lifetime so are a viable income stream for land managers also producing private goods for the market, such as food or timber, whether there's a deal with the EU or not.

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## Our email addresses have changed

**Update the contact details that you have for our staff to ensure they still get your emails**

Over the last few months we have been making some changes to our email addresses. All of our staff now have new email addresses and although your emails to our old addresses are being forwarded this will not continue forever, so please update your contacts for our staff. Our email addresses now end in @forestrycommission.gov.uk

Contact details are available on [GOV.UK](#).

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### If you have any questions, please contact us:

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