

Common land and shared grazing Supplementary application

How to use this form

- **Important:** before you complete this form, please read Annex 6 of the Higher Tier Countryside Stewardship Manual which can be found on GOV.UK.
- This supplementary application form must be completed if your application for Countryside Stewardship includes common land/shared grazing. It will form part of your application.
- The individual who will sign the Countryside Stewardship agreement on behalf of the common land/ shared grazing group or association must complete Sections 1 and 2 and sign Section 4. This person, whose details will be listed at Section 1 of this form, will be referred to as the applicant.
- The owner of the common/shared grazing must sign Section 3 (unless there is no owner, or the owner is the applicant listed at section 1 in which case Section 3 should be left blank).
- Please write clearly in black ink and BLOCK letters. Any alterations must be initialled and dated. Do not use correction fluid
- If you require more space for any section please continue on a separate sheet, ensuring that you add the application reference, sign and date each sheet.
- Please send your completed form to your Natural England adviser. Forms completed electronically must be printed and signed. You are advised to keep a copy for your records.

This form is available from your Natural England adviser or go to GOV.UK and search for Countryside Stewardship forms.

Section 1: Details of applicant for the common land or shared grazing

1. Applicant details

- a) Application reference number
- **b)** Name of applicant

Title (for example: Initials Forename Surname Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)

- c) Business name
- d) Correspondence address

Town

County

Postcode

- e) Tel number (incl. national dialling code)
- **f)** Fax number (incl. national dialling code)
- g) Mobile number
- h) Email address
- i) Status of applicant

(for example Secretary of association, independent adviser, common/shared grazing owner, committee member or ordinary rights holder)

2. Applicant authorisation

- a) Please tick to confirm if a letter authorising you to sign a Countryside Stewardship agreement on behalf common land/shared grazing group or association is attached.
- **b)** Please tick to confirm if a letter authorising you to sign a Countryside Stewardship agreement on behalf common land/shared grazing group or association has been previously supplied.

Section 2: Details of the common/shared grazing

a)	Name of the common	/ sharec	l grazing
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- **b)** Common Land Register Unit Number(s)
- c) Does the common/shared grazing have an owner?

Yes

No

d) Please tick to confirm that the whole common/shared grazing has been included in the application, or, if the application relates to a part common, that Natural England's approval to this has already been obtained.

Section 3: Declarations to be made by the owner(s) of the common /shared grazing or their agent

Please leave this section blank if the common/shared grazing has no owner or, if the applicant listed at section 1 is the owner of the common/shared grazing.

Authorisation for an agent to complete this section 3 of the common land/shared grazing supplementary application on behalf of the owner(s) of the common/shared grazing.

a) I am an agent completing section 3 of this form on behalf of the owners of the common/shared grazing.

Yes

No

If 'NO' (because you are the owner of the common/shared grazing), please sign and date the declaration below.

b) If 'YES' the individual(s) on whose behalf you are completing this form must have authorised you to complete it. If no written authorisation has been supplied previously for this application, you must submit it with this completed form.

Please tick to confirm if an authorisation letter or form is attached.

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I/we declare that:

I/we have been made aware of and understand the requirements of the various Countryside Stewardship Multi-Year Options and Capital Items that have been chosen by the applicant and consent to any work that these require on the common/shared grazing for the duration of any Countryside Stewardship agreement; and

I am/we are not aware of any reason why it would not be possible for the Multi-Year Options and/or Capital Items to be delivered for the duration of any Countryside Stewardship agreement;

This declaration must be signed by the owner(s) of the common/shared grazing or their agent.

Signature(s)	Name(s) in BLOCK letters	Status	Date

Section 4: Declaration to be made by the applicant for Countryside Stewardship

Before signing this declaration the applicant must go to reasonable lengths to contact and include all graziers or persons who are entitled to exercise grazing rights, in particular those actively exercising rights on the land, and provide opportunity for them to comment on the completion of this application.

A full list of rightsholders (from the register) and their rights must be included with the application and it must show participants and non-participants, identifying non-participants who actively exercise their rights.

I declare that:

In respect of Countryside Stewardship applications the customer registration (SBI) for the common/shared grazing includes the names of all persons who will benefit from or contribute to the delivery of any resulting Countryside Stewardship agreement (Natural England will not offer a Countryside Stewardship agreement until this has been confirmed by the Land Management Team Adviser);

I have read and understood Annex 6 of the Higher Tier Countryside Stewardship Manual and that its terms and conditions will be incorporated into any resulting Countryside Stewardship agreement by reference;

I have gone to reasonable lengths to contact all graziers or other persons who are entitled to exercise grazing rights over the common land/shared grazing that is included in this application (from information recorded on the local authority commons register and from my own other reasonably exhaustive enquiries);

I acknowledge that, if this application leads to a Countryside Stewardship agreement, I will be responsible for doing whatever is reasonably practical to ensure that all such persons now known to me comply with the terms of the agreement;

I understand and accept that Natural England will not become involved in any disputes between rights holders in relation to this application or any subsequent agreement, distribution or use of the grant or dispute that arises from it;

I am/we are not aware of any reason why it would not be possible for the Multi-Year Options and/or Capital Items to be delivered for the duration of any Countryside Stewardship agreement.

This declaration must be signed by the applicant listed at Section 1.

Signature Name(s) in BLOCK letters Status Date

Warning

If you knowingly or recklessly make a false or misleading statement to obtain aid for yourself or anyone else, you risk prosecution (which could result in imprisonment, a fine or both), the loss of all aid paid to you under the scheme(s) in respect of which you have made a commitment, and exclusion from certain schemes for up to two years.

Using and sharing your information

Defra is the data controller for personal data you give to us or we hold about you. We use it in line with the Data Protection Act. For more information, go to www.gov.uk/rpa, choose 'Contact RPA' and click on 'Personal information charter'.