

11 March 2025 Our ref: RFI 7334

Environmental Information Regulations – Information Request

We refer to your request for information dated 25 February which we have dealt with under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

You have asked: -

- What was the total amount paid to applicants in England under the WS3 Grey Squirrel Management component of the Countryside Stewardship Higher Tier Scheme in 2024? (or 2023 if 2024 is not available)
- How many applicants received this supplement during this period?
- What was the total amount paid under this scheme to applicants in Northumberland and Cumbria in 2024? (or 2023 if 2024 is not available)
- How many applicants received this supplement in Northumberland and Cumbria during this period?

Please find the information you have requested in the attached annex.

We also attach Annex A below, explaining the copyright that applies to the information being released to you.

What you need to do

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If you need further information

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Yours sincerely

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