# Support to increase farm productivity

# HEART OF WEST LOCAL Action Group

# **National objectives:**

- To improve the economic performance and sustainability of agricultural holdings
- Improve animal health and welfare

## **Heart of Wessex objective:**

Generating a diverse and sustainable rural economy and support for entrepreneurial activities

# Eligible activity:

- Projects to improve the overall performance and sustainability of an agricultural holding
- Investment to support animal health and welfare improvements
- Processing, marketing and/or development of agricultural products

## **Available funding:**

Minimum grant approximately £10,000. Maximum grant approximately £150,000

#### **Grant intervention rate:**

Maximum 40% of the total project's eligible costs. Grant payments are paid in arrears and therefore applicants need to demonstrate that they have sufficient funds to bankroll the project until grant payments are received. Reimbursement of grant claims are usually paid quarterly.

# Who can apply?:

Farmers, growers or landowners

# **Heart of Wessex LAG Programme Targets:**

Budget allocation 2015-2020	£285,032
Number of projects supported	10
<ul> <li>Number of holdings benefitting</li> </ul>	5
<ul> <li>Number of businesses benefitting</li> </ul>	6
<ul> <li>Number of jobs created</li> </ul>	5
<ul> <li>Number of jobs safeguarded</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>Number of farmers supported</li> </ul>	5

#### Other information:

There will also be funding available under the Countryside Productivity Scheme (CPS). More details and contact information is available at <a href="https://www.gov.uk">www.gov.uk</a>

# For more information:

This information sheet is intended for use as a brief introduction. Please contact a member of the Heart of Wessex Programme Management Team for more detail.

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