Farming Innovation Grant 2026-27

1. Which Anglian Water Priority Catchment (as shown in Yellow areas on map) are you within?
(If you know you are in more than one catchment area, please select all that apply)
(Please note the map will open in a new web browser window, please come back to this window to continue your application)*

[ ] Ancholme

[ ] Barlings Eau

[ ] Colne

[ ] Diddington Brook

[ ] Gipping

[ ] Great Ouse

[ ] Hollowell - Spratton Brook

[ ] Louth Canal

[ ] Great and Long Eau

[ ] Mill River

[ ] Nene

[ ] North and South Gwash

[ ] Ravensthorpe - Spratton Brook

[ ] Salary Brooks

[ ] Tattingstone

[ ] Walgrave, Holcot and Scaldwell

[ ] Welland

[ ] Wensum

[ ] Wissey

[ ] Barrow, Thornton and Ulceby Groundwaters

[ ] Habrough, Healing, Littlecoates and Barnoldby Groundwaters

[ ] Lincs Limestone (south of Lincoln) Groundwater

[ ] Pilsgate Groundwater

[ ] Birchmoor (Woburn) Groundwater

[ ] North West Norfolk (Kings Lynn to Hunstanton) Groundwater

[ ] Wighton and Houghton St Giles Groundwaters

[ ] Glandford Groundwater

[ ] Marham Groundwater

[ ] Beachamwell and North Pickenham Groundwaters

[ ] Lyng Forge Groundwater

[ ] Postwick (east of Norwich) Groundwater

[ ] Trowse Newton (south of Norwich) Groundwater

[ ] Thetford Sources Groundwaters

[ ] Eriswell, Twelve Acre Wood and Risby Groundwaters

[ ] Isleham and Lower Links Groundwaters

[ ] Westerfield (nr Ipswich) Groundwater

[ ] NOT WITHIN PRIORITY AREA –You have selected "NOT WITHIN PRIORITY AREA", indicating your project falls outside of this fund's priority focus areas. You may still apply, but your application will only be assessed once all focus area applications have been reviewed. If the budget is fully allocated at that point, your application will not be assessed further."

The addition of a couple of choice boxes

[ ] Continue with application – Link to continue

[ ] End application – Link to exit / end of process / leave us your details if you would still like to hear from us.

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2 Business details of applicant

2.a. Contact Forename*

2.b. Contact Surname*

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2.c. Business Name*

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2.d. Business Address*

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2.e. Postcode*

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2.f. Contact Telephone Number*

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2.g. Email
(This email address will be used for all application correspondence)*

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2.h. Size of holding (All land managed by the named business applicant)
Hectares*

Hectares: _____

2.i. Single Business Identifier (SBI) number*

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3) **Project Location and Type**

3a) Upload a map of your whole holding, with the project area clearly highlighted. Include a larger-scale inset if needed for clarity.*

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3.b. Farm Type Category*

Guidance: which category best describes your general farm type?

( ) Horticulture
( ) Mixed
( ) Cereals
( ) Lowland
( ) Arable including root crops
( ) Other

Other, please specify

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3.c. Which below category best describes your project proposal?*

( ) Soil Health and Resilience
( ) Nutrient Management
( ) Organic Materials Management
( ) Pesticide Management
( ) Livestock Management
( ) Precision Farming
( ) Water Resource Management
( ) Out of Production
( ) Natural Flood Management
( ) Other

Other, please specify

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4) **Project Detail**

You will now be asked to describe your project under the following sections. Please try to answer the sections without repetition

4.a. Describe your project clearly, including what you plan to do.
4.b. How this project is an innovation for your business?
4.c. How will the project benefit both your farm business and the local environment?
4.d. Area (ha) of holding applicable to this project per year
4.e. How do you plan to communicate the learnings of your project to others outside of your business?
4.f. Project planning: Outline project timetable
4.g. Project cost & funding summary
4.h. Provide evidence to support the project cost / funding summary.

4.a. Project description

Describe your project clearly, including what you plan to do. *

Guidance: Strong answers should include background research and evidence of planning.

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4.b. Innovation

Explain how your project is innovative for your business?*

Guidance:
Clearly explain how the project goes beyond "business as usual." This could involve trialling new equipment, methods or partnerships. Strong responses will show a willingness to test or adopt new practices and explain how learning from the project could be integrated into day-to-day operations in the future.

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4.c. Benefits

How will the project benefit both your farm business and the local environment? *

Guidance:
Explain how the project will:
Support your business (e.g. reduced input costs, improved soil health, greater efficiency)
How it will positively impact water quality and environmental.
Where possible, provide data or estimates (e.g. 20% reduction in nitrogen application).

How this aligns with the local water catchment priorities as stated on the catchment maps *

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4.d. Project Area

Area (ha) of holding applicable to this project per year?

Guidance: If your project is rotational e.g. for cover crop establishment, then the affective area per year for the project could be less than your total holding area.*

Hectares: _____*

4.e. Knowledge Sharing

How do you plan to communicate the learnings of your project to others?

Guidance:
Describe how the outcomes and learnings will be shared. This might include hosting visits, sharing results on social media, publishing findings or engaging with other farmers, cluster groups or advisers. Include examples of networks

you're already part of or how this project could be scaled up across multiple holdings or partnerships.
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4.f. Project Delivery

Outline project timetable

Guidance:
Clearly explain how the project will be delivered, with key dates and milestones. Highlight risks (e.g. weather, supply delays) and how they will be managed.
Be aware - only those projects where evidence can be submitted by 31st July 2027 (or later date if pre-agreed with your local advisor) will be considered for funding.
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Estimated Start Date_____*

Estimated Delivery Date_____ *

Project delivery explanation

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4.g. Project Costs & Funding*

Total project cost* £

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Applicants input £*

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Other funding £*

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Request from AW* £

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4.h. Cost Evidence*

Provide evidence to support the project costs / funding summary.*

Include any other sources of support, match funding and in-kind contributions such as time.

Guidance: Please upload price quotations and / or costing sources such as screen shots of webpages that substantiate your cost breakdown.

Thank You!
