

Catchment Sensitive Farming Support for Countryside Stewardship (CS) Options and Capital Items that Require CSF Officer Approval

To be completed by Catchment Sensitive Farming Officers (CSFO) for applicants wishing to apply for options and capital items requiring CSFO approval.

In order to apply for options and capital items that require CSFO approval in a CS Mid-Tier or CS Capital Grant application, approval from a CSFO/Partner CSFO must be obtained. This form must be completed by Natural England or the Partner CSFO prior to the application deadline and must be submitted by the applicant with the application form.

Please note: Approved items below should not exceed stated applications limits.

Applicant name	C Middleton
Farm name	Little Mitton Hall Farm
CPH number	21/118/0013
SBI Number	107301261
WFD Management Catchment	Ribble
River Basin	North West
CSFO/ Partner CSFO name	Michael Graham
CSFO Email Address	[REDACTED]
CSFO Phone Number	[REDACTED]
Pollutant pressures and priorities in the catchment, as targeted by CS & CSF	
Pollutant pressures from Air & Water Nitrate Priority: Pesticide Priority: H – partial Faecal Indicator Organisms Priority: H Phosphate Priority: H Sediment Priority: Flood Risk Management Priorities: Air quality Priority: H Items below are evidenced separately (and avoiding duplication) in the CSF Desk Based Assessment: Farm description (Farm type, size, location, local soil type, connectivity to watercourse, proximity to protected site) / Pollutant priorities / Pollutant pressures on farm- Air and Water: / Source / Pathway / Receptor	

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The following options are approved by the CSFO for inclusion in a CS Mid-Tier or CS Capital Grant Application:					
Option	OS Map Ref	Field Ref/ Grid Ref	Max agreed total to be applied for	Unit of Measure (ha, m, m ² , units)	Additional notes to be included in agreement document
RP29	SP1234	5678	123	m ²	e.g. Location of the capital item within the parcel
SW7				ha	Arable reversion to grassland with low fertiliser input
SW8				ha	Management of intensive grassland adjacent to a watercourse
SW14				ha	Nil fertiliser supplement
SW15				ha	Flood mitigation on arable reversion to grassland (HT only)
SW16				ha	Flood mitigation on permanent grassland (HT only)
RP4				m	Livestock & machinery tracks (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP10				unit	Silt filtration dams or seepage barriers
RP13				m	Yard - underground drainage pipework
RP14				unit	Yard Inspection pit
RP15	SD7138 7912		201	m ²	Concrete yard renewal (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP17				m ³	Water storage tanks underground
RP18				m ³	Above ground water storage tanks
RP19				unit	First flush rainwater diverters or downpipe filters
RP20				unit	Relocation of sheep dips & pens (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP21				unit	Relocation of sheep pens only (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP22				m ²	Sheep dip drainage aprons & sumps (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP23				unit	Installation of livestock drinking troughs (in draining pens for freshly dipped sheep)
RP24				m ²	Lined bio bed + loading & wash down area
RP25				m ²	Lined bio bed with existing wash down area
RP27				m ²	Sprayer or applicator load & wash down area

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RP28	SD7138 8013		135.3	m ²	Roofing for manure storage (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP29				m ²	Self-supporting covers for slurry stores
RP30				m ²	Floating covers for slurry & anaerobic stores & lagoons
RP31				machine	Equipment to disrupt tramlines in arable areas (HT only) (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
RP32				dam	Small leaky woody dam (1 - 2.99m) (HT only)
RP33				dam	Small leaky woody dam (3 – 5m) (HT only)
AQ1				/ channel	Automatic slurry scraper
AQ2				m ²	Low ammonia emissions flooring for livestock buildings
TE4				tree	Supply and plant a tree
TE5				unit	Supplement for use of individual tree shelters
FG1				m	Post-and-wire fencing (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
FG2				m	Sheep netting (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)
FG3				m	Permanent electric fencing (consider appropriate land management options if water, air quality or NFM issues)

How the approved options/items relate to the pollutant pressures (justification)

(Please list the items approved above with any justification of how the capital items/options will contribute to the reduction of pollution associated with the priority pollutant pressures in the catchment ([See CS Mid-Tier Manual; Annex 5](#) and [CS Capital Grant Manual; Annex 2](#)) as evidenced in the matrix below:

Code	Capital items to benefit local pollutant pressures	Faecal Indicator Organisms - Bathing Waters	Ground water priority areas - Nitrate	Ground water priority areas - Pesticides	Surface Water - Pesticides	Surface Water - Nitrate	Surface water (Phosphate + Sediment)	Flood & Coastal Risk Management & Physical Modification	Air Quality
SW7	Arable reversion to grassland with low fertiliser input		x	x	x	x	x	x	x
SW8	Management of intensive grassland adjacent to a watercourse	x				x	x	x	x
SW14	Nil fertiliser supplement		x			x			x
SW15	Flood mitigation on arable reversion to grassland (HT only)								
SW16	Flood mitigation on permanent grassland (HT only)								
RP4	Livestock and machinery hardcore tracks	x					x		
RP10	Silt filtration dams or seepage barriers	x					x	x	
RP13	Yard - underground drainage pipework: yard works for clean and dirty water separation	x	x	x	x	x	x		

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RP14	Yard Inspection pit: yard works for clean and dirty water separation	x	x	x	x	x	x		
RP15	Outdoor concrete yard renewal	x	x	x	x		x		x
RP17	Storage tanks underground							x	
RP18	Above ground storage tank	x	x	x	x	x		x	
RP19	First flush rainwater diverters or downpipe filters	x	x	x	x	x		x	
RP20	Relocation of sheep dips and pens			x	x				
RP21	Relocation of sheep pens only			x	x				
RP22	Sheep dip drainage aprons and sumps			x	x				
RP23	Installation of livestock drinking troughs (in draining pens for freshly dipped sheep)			x	x				
RP24	Lined bio bed plus pesticide loading and wash down area			x	x				
RP25	Lined bio bed with existing wash down area			x	x				
RP27	Sprayer or applicator loading and wash down area			x	x				
RP28	Roofing (sprayer wash down area, manure storage area, livestock gathering area, slurry stores and silage stores)	x	x	x	x	x	x		
RP29	Self-supporting covers for slurry stores	x	x			x			x
RP30	Floating covers for slurry stores and lagoons	x	x			x			x
RP31	Equipment to disrupt tramlines in arable areas (HT only)								
AQ1	Automatic slurry scraper								x
AQ2	Low ammonia emission flooring for livestock buildings								x
TE4	Supply and plant tree	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
TE5	Supplement for use of individual tree-shelters	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
FG1	Post and wire fencing	x							
FG2	Sheep netting	x							
FG3	Permanent electric fencing	x							

Please be aware you need to follow the guidance as laid out on the Countryside Stewardship options & grants website (<https://www.gov.uk/countryside-stewardship-grants>) especially sections 'Requirements' and 'Keeping Records' sections so you meet the requirements laid out i.e. CSF Support, any agreements or consents from EA, Local Planning Authority, Highways Authority etc. If no land parcel numbers exist where works planned register through a RLE1 to get parcel registered etc.

CSF provides in good faith guidance to reduce pollution risk to water, any works carried out is the responsibility of the farm business and should be assessed for any Health & Safety issues, this includes for Managing health & safety in construction and is covered in the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015.

- The farm is making a Capital Grant application.
- The selected items are appropriate in helping reduce water, air pollution and/or aid in NFM measures on this farm.
- The capital items selected are in the appropriate location to help reduce the risk of DWPA to water.

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- The farm is following CSF guidance to help reduce DWPA risk to water, reduce ammonia loss, flood issues.
- This follows the methodology set out in the Pollution reduction matrix - CS Mid-Tier manual, Annex 5 as seen above).

If necessary: Any other supporting information or documents – i.e. map or confirmation you have discussed locations of approved options/items

Final 'endorsement' will be completed after the application has been lodged. When endorsing the application any variation from original discussion risks no endorsement and may render the item being removed from an application.

Compliance requirements for CS scheme and capital works:

Ensure you read the specification for each option/item considered so you know if it is applicable to your situation, paying particular attention to sections:

- Where to use this option/item,
- Where this option/item cannot be used,
- Features that can be included in this option,
- Related Mid-Tier options e.g. additional options and supplements that could be located on the same area
- How this option/item will benefit the environment,
- Aims,
- Prohibited activities,
- Recommended management
- Requirements,
- Keeping records e.g. photographs (i.e. at start, during, finish), consents, permissions, local planning authority – is planning req'd, Environment Agency, Protected sites – Natural England, Sites of historic interest etc. - Historic England, Highways Authority, Forestry Commission etc. These are required ASAP and either provide at application and/or retain as evidence.
- Advice and suggestions for how to carry out this item.

Because of COVID-19 pandemic visits have been limited. Discussion has been with myself and the farm and/or acting agent for the farmer to what is appropriate on this farm and my knowledge of the area. As part of a desk-based assessment aerial imagery and mapping systems have been used to satisfy supporting this application to helping reduce water and air pollution risk and flooding.

I certify that I have approved the use of the above options/capital items in a CS Mid-Tier or CS Capital Grant application submitted by the person named above.

Signature of Natural England or Partner CSFO



Date

23rd April 2021

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Once completed please submit this form with your CS Mid-Tier or CS Capital Grant Application