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| **Please read the notes overleaf before answering the relevant questions.** If you have any queries please contact the YDMT Woodland Officer on 015242 51002 or email chris.lodge@ydmt.org |

1. **Applicant Details**

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| Name |  | | |
| Daytime phone number |  | Email |  |
| Business or organisation name |  | | |
| Address (including postcode) |  | | |
| Are you VAT registered? |  | | |

1. **Project Details**

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| What is the name of your project? |  |

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| Please describe what you would like to do |
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1. **SITE DETAILS (Please attach a map showing the tree location(s))**

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| Are the proposed tree locations on land that is currently grazed? | | | | | Yes | No |
| If yes by what? | Sheep | Cattle | Equines | Other (Please specify) | |  |

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| Is there a likelihood of grazing in the next 5 years? | | | | | Yes | No |
| If yes by what? | Sheep | Cattle | Equines | Other (Please specify) | |  |

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| Grid reference (if known) |  | Location | |  | | Number of tree locations | |  |
| Please note that if you are a tenant we will need written permission from the landowner to carry out this project. | | | | | | | | |
| Have you spoken to the landowner? | | | Yes | | No | | I own the land | |

1. **Designations & Permissions**

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| Are you aware of any designations or permissions that you think may apply to any of your proposed tree locations e.g. SSSI, landscape designation, scheduled monument, public/open access, planning consent etc.? |
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1. **Declaration**

I declare to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this application form and any supporting material is correct, and that if any information changes I shall notify YDMT immediately.

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| Signed: |  |  | Date: |  |

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| Please return this completed form either electronically or by post, ensuring you include a map showing the plan of the project and photographs.  Woodland Officer, Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust, Main Street, Clapham via Lancaster, LA2 8DP | |
| Email: chris.lodge@ydmt.org.uk | Tel: 015242 51002 |

**Application Guidance Notes**

The Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT) is a charity working with farmers, landowners and a range of organisations to help care for the natural, built and cultural heritage in the Yorkshire Dales and nearby areas. Since 1996 YDMT has helped to deliver thousands of projects to protect, conserve and enhance the landscape, wildlife, built environment and community facilities. Visit: <https://www.ydmt.org/> for more information.

We are currently looking to support the small scale planting of trees traditionally found in field margins, boundaries, in field or wider fieldscapes. Typically, these will be direct replacements for iconic established trees that have been lost to disease, such as Ash dieback, storm damage, flooding or other environmental factors but we will also consider trees in new locations. Trees will be individually protected in cages capable of withstanding land use and stock pressure. We can provide details of appropriate cages.

Through a grant we will pay for trees, cages, and all materials required up to the limits set out below. Cages will be constructed from either Post and Rail fence, Wire Mesh or Cactus guards. We can provide details of appropriate cages. Each cage will be planted with up to four trees to ensure successful establishment.

The payment for Post and Rail fence cages will be capped at £175/cage, wire mesh cages will be capped at £100/cage and Catus guards capped at £60/guard which will cover materials, labour, trees, stakes and individual tree shelters. You may need to make a contribution towards the cost if you have additional requirements that would mean the caps are exceeded. Where applicants construct cages, grants will cover the cost of all materials plus labour at a rate of £20/guard for wire mesh cage and Cactus guards, £50 for Post & Rail cages.

**Projects must:**

* Be for new planting of native broadleaf species including Oak, Aspen, Small Leaved Lime, and possibly Sycamore.
* Conserve, restore, enhance or add to the area’s natural heritage.
* Give priority to those locations that provide the greatest habitat benefit and are most prominent in the landscape.
* Be limited to a maximum grant of £1050 per landowner, additional funding may be considered if there are clearly identifiable benefits from planting more.

**You must:**

* Provide a map showing the proposed tree location(s) and photographs
* Undertake management and maintenance to ensure successful establishment of the trees for a period of 10 years following completion of the work.
* Have landowner consent for the project if you do not own the land.
* Be willing to allow YDMT to use this project for PR, marketing, fundraising or supporter events by arrangement.

**What happens next?**

This is the first step in applying for assistance from YDMT to provide funds for your project

* Please return this form with a map clearly showing tree locations and site photographs we will review the details and arrange to come out to view and discuss the proposed locations with you.
* Details of provisionally agreed locations will be sent to YDNPA or other appropriate organisation for their consideration. They may approve, reject or suggest alternative locations.
* Approved projects will receive a letter from YDMT confirming the grant amount allocated and the next steps in the project.
* Grants are paid on successful completion of the work. Payments can take up to 8 weeks to process.