Somerset Peatland Partnership



Nature for Climate Fund

Discovery Grant Restoration Grant '23-'25

'22-'23

Collaborating with landowners managing peatlands

Somerset & North Somerset

Objectives

- 1000 Ha of degraded peatland on a trajectory to recovery by 2025
- 262,500 cumulative tonnes of CO₂e emission reductions by 2050
- Somerset Peatland Partnership fully established
- 2 applications to the Restoration Grant, one in 2022 for early sites and again in 2023

By 2025, the partnership will be managing a process of transformational change that will shift the Levels and Moors from a landscape dominated by carbon emissions to a landscape managed to deliver net sequestration.

Currently we are...

- Developing new projects and engaging new partners and landowners
- Building capacity and capability
- Exploring opportunities for private investment funding
- Developing site understanding, including baseline monitoring, hydrological surveys and historic environment assessments

Next Step - DEFRA Restoration Grant Bid!



On the ground we hope to...

- Champion peat restoration never done before in Somerset
- Raise water tables where viable to reduce emissions (approx. 10cm below surface)
- Aid the shift in land management towards more extensive and regenerative agriculture techniques to encourage peat forming habitat

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