

## Parish/community news article

### Grants available for improving the High Weald landscape

#### Do you have an idea for a local environmental project?

Sussex Lund grants support small-scale, practical projects that improve the landscape of the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

Project ideas from community groups, schools and parish councils are encouraged and match-funding is not always necessary. Anyone can submit a project, including private landowners and businesses.

The Sussex Lund grant programme re-opens for new applications from 1 January 2019 until 7 April 2019.

Previous funded projects include schemes that:

- **Improved wildlife habitats** e.g. creating ponds, removing non-native species (e.g. rhododendron and leylandii), hedge and tree-planting and restoring, and creating more wildlife-friendly greenspace and verges.
- **Improved scenic beauty** e.g. planting street trees, removing or screening eyesores and replacing 'hard', man-made boundaries with soft, natural boundaries.
- **Improved access** e.g. creating new access points to green spaces and replacing stiles with gates for better access.

The grants programme was created by High Weald residents Lisbet Rausing and Peter Baldwin and is administered by the High Weald AONB Partnership with Lund Trust.

Potential applicants must contact the High Weald AONB team for advice to develop their project on: 01424 723014 or email [sussexlund@highweald.org](mailto:sussexlund@highweald.org).

For more information, see: [highweald.org/look-after/sussex-lund](http://highweald.org/look-after/sussex-lund)

#### Shorter social media post version:

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- Improve scenic beauty
- Improve access to green spaces

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