

# Training and Knowledge Exchange Offer

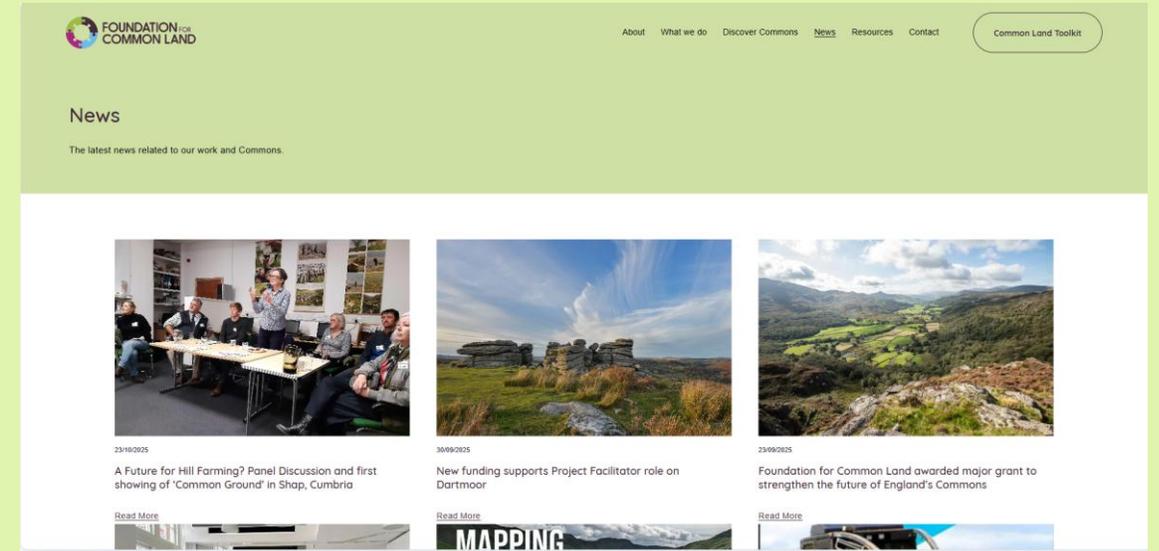


**FOUNDATION** FOR  
**COMMON LAND**

A gathering of those with a stake in pastoral commons and their future

# Our Website

- [Common Land Toolkit](#)
- Upland Farm Toolkit
- Ask us a question
- Facts about commons and commoning
- Project reports
- [Carbon Calculator](#)
  
- [www.foundationforcommonland.org.uk](http://www.foundationforcommonland.org.uk)





# Coming Soon! Networks

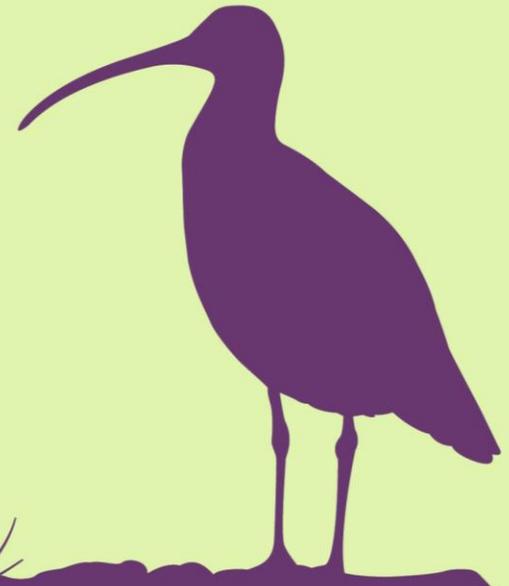
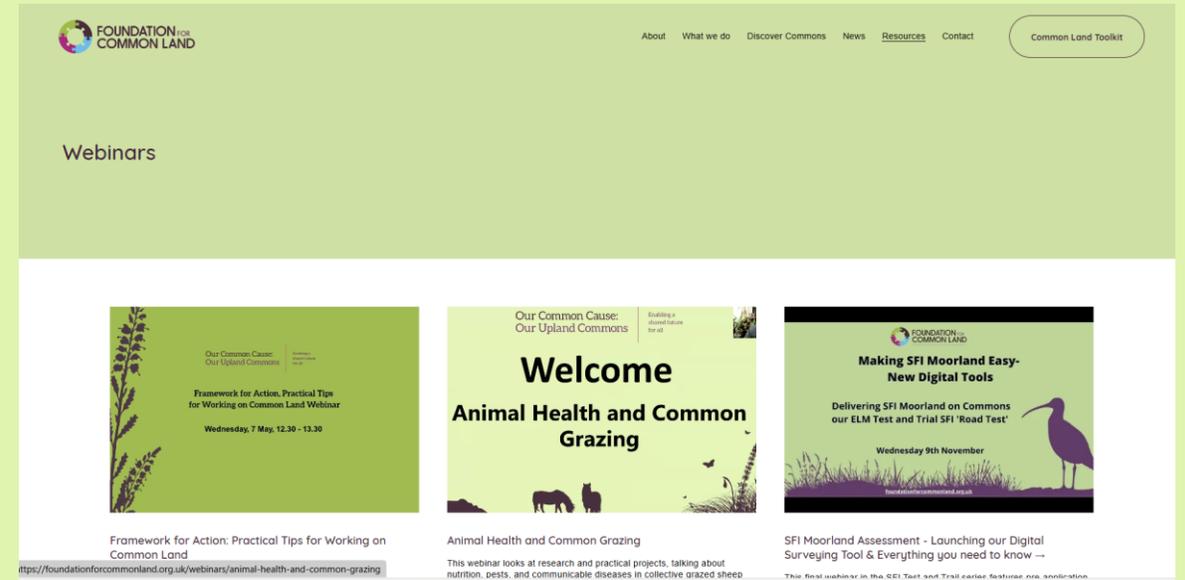
- Commoners Association Officers
- Professionals working on common land
- Young Commoners

# Webinars

- 11 Dec: Collaborative Practice on Common Land: An Introduction

## Vegetation Management Series

- 20 Jan: Bracken and Gorse
- 18 Feb: Using Data and Digital Apps
- 17 Mar: Molinia



## HALF DAY TRAINING FOR PROFESSIONALS

Delivered by industry professionals online, our Common Land Master Class is a perfect introduction for teams working on and managing common land.



### Benefits of the Master Class

Includes interactive workshops, discussions and activities for up to 12 participants

Our course topics can include:

- approaching blended finance opportunities on common land, common land legislation, governance and more

Develop a greater understanding of commons and commoners

Delivered flexibly to match your teams needs at a time that suits

For more information,  
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## COMMON LAND MASTER CLASS

An interactive, informative introduction for professionals who work on and manage common land





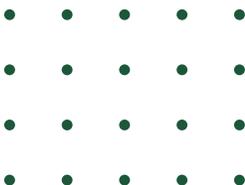
# FOUNDATION FOR COMMON LAND

## 2 DAY UPLAND HILL FARM /LOWLAND FARM TRAINING

Bespoke 1&2 day courses

Practical and classroom based

Farmer & commons professional led





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# UPLAND FARMING FOR NET ZERO

CPD short course for upland  
farmers, land managers,  
advisors and new entrants.



In partnership with:



“Plenty of on-farm, real world teaching and examples”

“Very hands on and easy to follow material”

Participant feedback, Dartmoor 2024

## UPLAND ENVIRONMENTAL LAND MANAGEMENT

### OVERVIEW

FARM BUSINESS  
OPPORTUNITIES

MAPPING  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
ASSETS

UPLAND FARMING FOR  
NET ZERO

TREES ON FARMS &  
FELLS

LANDSCAPE  
RESTORATION

COLLABORATIVE  
PRACTICES

LANDSCAPE CARBON  
STOCK ASSESSMENT

### OVERVIEW

Developed in partnership with sector experts these courses are suitable for upland farmers, land managers, advisors and new entrants.

Applied learning is delivered through farm visits, online and in-person tuition, part-time over several weeks. Various start dates throughout the year.

To receive an email alert when new courses and bursaries become available, please register [here](#).



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# COLLABORATIVE PRACTICES IN LAND MANAGEMENT

New short course for upland  
farmers, land managers,  
advisors and new entrants.



In partnership with:



# Dartmoor Land Use Management Group (DLUMG)

We are an independent advisory group set up following a government review in 2023. Our purpose is to ensure the future management of the protected landscape, through the creation of a Land Use Framework for uplands, to improve outcomes for people and nature.

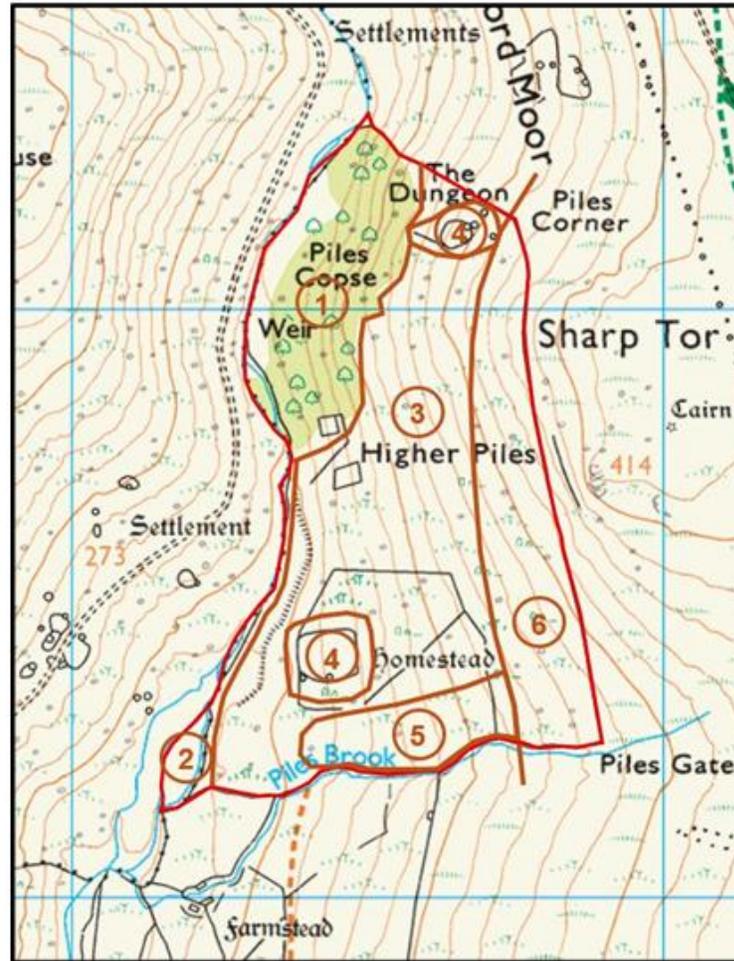
The Group is working to encourage collaboration, cooperation and trusted relationships between all those with a responsibility to manage Dartmoor National Park, to ensure it is an environmentally resilient landscape underpinned by viable and sustainable, farming businesses.

# LAND USE FRAMEWORK

- Land capability and opportunity mapping
- Prioritisation
- Enabling conditions

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# DATA Library



## Land prioritisation

- (1) Ancient oak woodland of exceptional, nationally important biodiversity value. Protection of the copse is the highest possible priority.
- (2) Riverine belt. Trees shade the humid zone, giving rise to a special habitat for mosses and riverine species. Priority for biodiversity and river shading.
- (3) Bracken-dominated grassland. Currently grazed but identified as high priority for woodland expansion.
- (4) Scheduled ancient monuments. High priority for protection and limited vegetation.
- (5) Valley side mires and wet flush. High priority for peat development, water storage and bog-dwelling species.
- (6) Upper grassland. Priority for grazing.

The farmer has his own priorities. While he realises that he must safeguard the exceptional biodiversity and the scheduled ancient monuments, he also needs to earn a living. He therefore needs to be able to graze at least half of the 51 ha with sheep and cattle.

The area is designated access land, so that must be accommodated. However, as this site is of very high biodiversity value, recreation should be allowed but not promoted.

# Holistic Grazing and Land and Management Trials to inform the delivery of the Land Use Framework

- Landscape Scale Trial** involving multiple contiguous commons to **demonstrate integrated management across the landscape** that leads to positive outcomes for farming, nature, heritage and recreation.
- Smaller trials** targeted at specific management ie **managing bracken, gorse and Molinia** for multiple benefits - e.g. better stock distribution to create a mosaic of habitats, animal health, recreation, wildfire, species (Fritillary, flora etc) enhancement etc.
- Research** to investigate the effects of various interventions (mechanical and other) and grazing livestock on **controlling Molinia** for multiple benefits.
- Other** e.g. reducing or removing stock / vegetation management and shepherding to **address winter grazing impacts**.

## Learning from past management and projects



- **Other Activities: Livestock Health, Wildfire Management, Swaling**
- **Habitat Assessment and Monitoring**
- **Aligning with Landscape Recovery Schemes**
- **Informing Policy**
- **Communications**

