

Grant Sources for Great Crested Newt Conservation



Black Environment Network

Small Grants Scheme The Ethnic Minorities Award Scheme (EMAS) makes a number of grants (up to £500 apiece) to community groups, schools or individuals, for environmental projects which involve ethnic minorities. Application forms and guidelines are available from Rachel Auckland, UK Network Development Officer, Black Environment Network, Environment Centre, Pier Street, Swansea SA1 1RY. Telephone 01792 468271, email rachel@ben-network.org.uk, www.ben-network.org.uk.

British Ecological Society

Small Ecological Projects Grants

Grants are available for habitat management, monitoring and survey. Contact: British Ecological Society, 26 Blades Court, deodar Road, Putney, London, SW15 2NU, 020 8871 9797, info@britishecologicalsociety.org, www.britishecologicalsociety.org/articles/grants richard@britishecologicalsociety.org

BTCV

The Chestnut Fund, an independent charity, makes grants available to encourage and enable community groups to carry out conservation activities. The grant is administered by BTCV. It is for groups affiliated to the BTCV, which need help with start-up costs (grants cover administrative fees, equipment, tools and training). The maximum grant is £400. Contact the BTCV Community Unit on 01302 572236, email m.morgan@btcv.org or look up your local BTCV office on www.btcv.org.uk

Coalfields Regeneration Trust

Restricted to coalfields regeneration areas; support projects that deliver environmental improvements as well as community involvement. Telephone 0800 064 8560, or email Info@coalfields-regen.org.uk (website www.coalfields-regen.org.uk) or write to The Coalfields Regeneration Trust, PO Box 97, Rotherham, S63 7WX.

Countryside Council for Wales

CCW's Grants Scheme

Large and small grants are available for projects addressing the following priorities: A better quality of life, better health and well-being, a stronger economy and better opportunities for learning. For quality of life read habitat improvement. See www.ccw.gov.uk click on 'our work' and then on the grants tab or call 01248 385786 or write to Grants Unit, CCW, Maes-y-Ffynnon, Ffordd Penrhos, Bangor, Gwynedd, LL57 2DN.

DEFRA- Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (formerly MAFF)

A large list of funding sources for UK Sustainable Development Projects is available on the Defra website. This guide is vast, approximately 29 pages long, covering grants that are targeted nationally at environmental activities (not specifically ponds.)

<http://www.sustainable-development.gov.uk/funding/pdf/funding.pdf>

Environmental Stewardship

Environmental Stewardship (ES) will be launched in England in 2005 to replace the existing agri-environment schemes (Environmentally Sensitive Areas, Countryside Stewardship and Organic farming Schemes). ES has three elements: Entry Level Stewardship (ELS), Organic Entry Level Stewardship (OELS), and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS). For further details:

<http://www.defra.gov.uk/erdp/reviews/agrienv/entrylevel.htm>

DEFRA website: www.defra.gov.uk

Phone 08459 33557 or e-mail helpline@defra.gsi.gov.uk

English Nature

Reserves Enhancement Scheme This grant scheme is for Voluntary Conservation Organisations who manage Sites of Special Scientific Interest as nature reserves. These five-year grants contribute to the day-to-day management of these sites. Further details can be obtained from Julie Sutton on 01733 455129 or Duncan Macfarlane on 01733 455138. **Section 35 National Nature Reserve Capital Grants Scheme** Grants are available to Approved Bodies under Section 35(1)(c) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, where these Approved Bodies are not eligible for the Reserves Enhancement Scheme. These grants contribute to capital projects for the improvement of reserve management, access and interpretation. For further information contact Dick Lambert on 01733 455140 or Duncan Macfarlane on 01733 455138. **Land Purchase Grants** This grant scheme is available to Voluntary Conservation Organisations to assist with the purchase of land of nature conservation importance.

In 2004/05, the fund available for these grants is very limited. Potential applicants are encouraged to contact their local English Nature office before completing an application form. To find your local team phone: Enquiries 01733 455101 or go on the website http://www.english-nature.org.uk/contact/local_office.asp

Local Grants/Local Biodiversity Grants Grants given by English Nature Area Teams are severely limited. You should contact the team for your area to check the current position. To find your local team phone: Enquiries 01733 455101 or go on the websitehttp://www.english-nature.org.uk/contact/local_office.asp

Environment Agency

The Environment Agency may fund local survey and habitat management projects for great crested newts. Contact the Environment Agency Headquarters at Rio House, Waterside Drive, Aztec West, Almondsbury, Bristol, BS12 4UD, www.environment-agency.gov.uk.

Heritage Lottery Fund

Not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants to fund projects that benefit the heritage of the UK, including urban green spaces and habitats. Contact Heritage Lottery Fund 7 Holbein Place, London, SW1W 8NR, 020 7591 6042, enquire@hlf.org.uk, or look on the website www.hlf.org.uk

The Herpetological Conservation Trust

The HCT Grant Scheme

This grant scheme provides funding for survey work, pond creation & restoration and also for pond and terrestrial habitat management. The award is for part-funds only, with the likely grant to be £120 - £600.

Contact details below.

Grants for Great Crested Newt Conservation in Wales

Grants of around £1000 are available from The HCT (funded by CCW) for site creation and restoration work that contributes to Wales' targets in the National Species Action Plan. Further details for the above schemes are available from Dorothy Wright at The HCT, 655A Christchurch Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 4AP, Tel: 01202 391319 or email dorothy.wright@herpconstrust.org.uk

Local Authorities

Local councils may have funds available for field survey or for habitat management works. Contact your local council for details.

Scottish Natural Heritage

SNH will put you in touch with your local area office for detailed information on a range of grants for conservation and promoting the enjoyment and understanding of natural heritage. Contact Scottish Natural Heritage, 12 Hope Terrace, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ
Tel: 0131 4474784 www.snh.org.uk

Comments:

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