

# South Downs National Park Grants

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**Nature Recovery** – ReNature,  
Pounds for Ponds, Trees for the  
Downs, Beelines, CIL

**A National Park for All** – Youth  
Action Fund, Outdoor Learning  
Grants, Volunteer Conservation  
Fund, litter picking grants, CIL

**Climate Action** – Trees for the  
Downs, Sustainable Communities  
Fund, Community Pitch (Ouse  
Valley), Ouse Valley Climate Action



**More homes for barn  
owls in the Ouse Valley**

Volunteer Conservation Fund grant  
to Sussex Barn Owl Study Group



# Current Opportunities:

- **ReNature Grants** Open to 20 October 2024
- **Boltini Trust Litter Picking grants** On a first-come-first-served basis
- **Beelines** Open until 31 January 2025

# Coming up:

- **Sustainable Communities Fund** (for funding f/y 25/26)
- **Trees for the Downs** (for planting Winter 25/26)
- **Community Infrastructure Levy Funding (CIL)** Opens January 2025



# Boltini Trust Litter Picking Grants:

SOUTH DOWNS  
NATIONAL PARK TRUST



*Volunteer litter pickers in Midhurst take part in a Big Town Tidy – Midhurst Town Council*



**Parishes can receive up to £500 for litter picking equipment!**



# ReNature Fund:

SOUTH DOWNS  
NATIONAL PARK TRUST



**Up to £25K to create bigger, better and more connected habitat!**

**Managing land better for nature – e.g. conservation grazing, wetland, woodland**

**Important to plan project with a Ranger**



# Beelines and Trees for the Downs:

SOUTH DOWNS  
NATIONAL PARK TRUST



**Beelines – small grants up to approx. £5K for pollinator habitat creation**

**Trees for the Downs – we buy the trees, you plant and maintain them**



# Sustainable Communities Fund:

SOUTH DOWNS  
NATIONAL PARK TRUST



Lost railway project, Steyning.



c Petersfield Community Garden

**50% match funding for non-profit community projects. *Does not fund parish building refurbishment.***

**Often small community groups – we ask them to seek Parish support and contributions**



# Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

SOUTH DOWNS  
NATIONAL PARK TRUST

[Applying for CIL funds for an infrastructure project - South Downs National Park Authority](#)

**Funding for community infrastructure projects**

**Please search SDNP website for examples of funding – play parks, refurbishments, education centres and more!**

**Open for bids from Jan 2025!**

**Examples here:** [https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning-news/case-studies/cil-funded-projects/rk Authority](https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/planning-news/case-studies/cil-funded-projects/rk)





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