

Application process for new Grazing Land



New Forest

This application process has been developed by NFLAS and the CDA in the interest of fairness and transparency when land becomes available to let.

Applications are open to practicing New Forest commoners who can demonstrate knowledge and/or experience of best practice land management and livestock handling and can demonstrate commitment and contribution to commoning in the New Forest.

Applications will be welcomed from <u>all</u> commoners 18 years or over.

Applicants must have access to rights of pasture.

Applicants will be assessed on the following (in no particular order):

- Land management knowledge and experience
- Livestock handling experience
- A character reference
- Training and skills
- Commitment and contribution to commoning (eg involvement and contribution to organisations supporting commoning)
- Understanding of nature conservation management practices in the New Forest
- Need for back up land

The application form will be assessed, based on the criteria above, by a panel made up of representatives of the CDA, NFLAS, the Verderers and the landowner where appropriate.

Send your application by email or post to:

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Backup Grazing Land Opportunity

New Forest Land Advice Service

Application Form



Practicing New Forest commoners are invited to apply to graze:

4 hectares of rough grassland at Hardley Halt, Fawley

Application deadline: 16th August 2020

Summary information:

This land is owned by Exxon Mobil near Fawley and has been identified by the New Forest Land Advice Service (NFLAS).

With the advice of NFLAS and the Commoners Defence Association (CDA) this land has recently been fenced and a timber livestock handling facility/pound built. A trough and bowser have been purchased by the Landlord for the Tenants use, as the site has no running water.

The land does not come with rights of pasture so these will need to be found elsewhere.

The land is available with the following terms:

- Rent: £30/acre per year
- **Start Date**: 1st September (or sooner if possible)
- **Agreement**: A one year Farm Business Tenancy (FBT) with the possibility of a longer term being offered at the end of the agreement
- **Basic Payment Scheme** Tenant will have the ability to claim BPS on the land (no entitlements are included in the letting)
- **Repairing & Maintenance**: Tenant will be required to maintain the existing infrastructure in a good condition. Tenant will also be required to maintain the land to high standards, adhering to best practice in animal husbandry and land management.
- **Use of the land**: The land may be used to graze cattle and/or unshod ponies belonging to the tenant in support of their commoning activities.

Name	
Address	
Email	
Telephone	
Details of current livestock	

Please write in the space below taking into consideration the assessment criteria which will be used to choose the successful tenant. Please write as much as you like and use more pages if necessary.

Your personal information will not be used by NFLAS for any other purpose than for this application.

If you would like to hear about NFLAS training courses, grants and other land management related news, please tell us below and we will add you to our database.

Yes No