The Frank Parkinson Agricultural Trust (FPAT) is open for applicants for its 2027 round of funding.

The Trustees are looking to support projects where FPAT funding will catalyse and accelerate their development.

Projects must progress the Trusts aims of:

- Supporting the improvement and welfare of British agriculture for the public benefit
- Promoting leadership and innovation to enhance British agricultures productivity, sustainability, and benefit to society

With a particular focus in the following areas:

- The development and adoption of new technologies to improve productivity, product quality, climate mitigation and adaption.
- Measures to strengthen the long-term resilience of British agriculture.
- New approaches to improve alignment with health, well-being and reduced environmental impacts
- Building and maintaining a premium brand identity for British Agriculture and Horticulture
- Initiatives to improve opportunities for people involved in agriculture and horticulture

Innovative proposals likely to achieve substantial impact in other areas will also be considered.

Up to £20K is available and Trustees may decide to support more than one project within this budget. The Trustees have a broad view of what might be supported, and any potential applicant is encouraged to contact Vicky Robinson, the Trust's Agricultural Trustee, for an initial discussion of their project ideas. Vicky can be contacted at vickyrob76@gmail.com or by phone on 07970 020405. Please note that projects which are predominately capital spend are not a priority for the Trust.

Please submit a 1- 2-page Expression of Interest by 15th January 2027 from which the Trustees will invite a selection to submit a full application before shortlisting those to present their proposal at the AGM on the 30th March 2027.

Applicants should submit their Expression of Interest to Vicky Robinson vickyrob76@gmail.com and copy Chris Bourchier, the Trust's Chairman, at chris.bourchier@btconnect.com and the Trust's Secretary Mike Steele at mike.steelefpat@yahoo.com.

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