

MR. NIGEL PHILLIPS, NETTLEBED COMMONS
[REDACTED]; 16CSS000035

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Amendment arising from RPA Compliance Inspection on 23 Nov 2004

1) H1 areas

Net areas of two H1 fields have been reduced due to ineligible areas identified in the compliance Field Inspection Report – field summary sheet (at Doc. 86 wallet). AESIS has been amended, Schedule 3 amended (on DMS), Table 2.3 amended (on disk – file name = Nettlebed revised 26jan2005).

Field 7745: reduced from 1.77 ha to 1.57 ha – strip of scrub and bracken along road, clearly not managed as part of hay meadow.

Field 5960: reduced from 3.98 ha to 3.11 ha – area occupied by B481 road which crosses field.

A **recovery** needs to be made for these ineligible areas since the start of the agreement, i.e. since 1995. NB the calculation for the recovery must take account of the changes in payment rate for H1 during the course of the agreement.

2) LH1, LH2 areas

Net areas of most fields under LH1 and LH2 have been reduced following the Compliance Inspection because the area identifiable as open heathland is much lower than the 39.59 ha that was anticipated by this stage of the agreement. The Compliance Inspection measured the total area eligible for LH1 and LH2 as 11.37 ha.

A decision has been made not to recover any payment on this for previous years – see letter to Nigel Phillips at Doc. 88. AESIS, Schedule 3 (on DMS) and Table 2.2 (on disk) have been amended from 2003/04 onwards.

3) F areas

Net areas of fields 4128 and 4214 have been reduced following the Compliance Inspection because the area identifiable as fen/willow carr has been measured as 3.07 ha after areas occupied by mature oak woodland are excluded.

However no recovery should be made because work has been done over the years of the agreement to carry out water retention works thereby improving the fenland habitat for wildlife. AESIS, Schedule 3 (on DMS) and Table 2.5 (on disk) have been amended from 2003/04 onwards.

4) AE grant

Schedule 3 has been amended to show the new payment rate (on DMS).

Revised schedules are in plastic wallet at Doc. 89, but these have not yet been sent to Agreement Holder because the site has not yet been RLR'd which might result in further area changes.

Please process the recovery for H1 payments as per above. Then return file to Alison Muldal to process the outstanding 2003/04 claim.

Thanks

Alison Muldal
CSS Adviser, Oxford

TABLE 2.2

The following management prescriptions will be carried out on the following fields:		
FIELD NUMBER	AREA	CODE
SU6982 3227	0.75 ha	LH 1 - Heath Maintenance
SU6982 4704	0.10 ha	“
SU6982 5567	4.30 ha	”
SU6982 8706	1.50 ha	”
SU7081 5960	2.02 ha	”
SU7086 2669	0.50 ha	”
SU7087 1314	1.00 ha	”
SU7087 2163	0.50 ha	”
SU7087 8569	0.70 ha	”
	TOTAL LH1 = 11.37 ha (2003 onwards)	
SU6982 3227	0.75 ha	LH2 - Heath Improvement
SU6982 4704	0.10 ha	“
SU6982 5567	4.30 ha	”
SU6982 8706	1.50 ha	”
SU7081 5960	2.02 ha	”
SU7086 2669	0.50 ha	”
SU7087 1314	1.00 ha	”
SU7087 2163	0.50 ha	”
SU7087 8569	0.70 ha	”
	TOTAL LH2 = 11.37 ha (2003 onwards)	
MANAGEMENT		
Cut with a flail mower or swipe to encourage the regeneration of heathland vegetation and to control invasive species. Cutting should not be carried out during the bird nesting season between 1 March and 15 June.		
All cuttings must be removed from the site and disposed of by safe, non-polluting means.		

Schedules amended 8/9
following Compliance inspection
(see Doc. 36)

Not yet sent to Agreement
holders because not yet
RLR'd.

TABLE 2.3

The following management prescriptions will be carried out on the following fields:		
FIELD NUMBER	AREA	CODE
SU6987 7745 SU7086 2557 SU7081 5960	1.57 ha 0.65 ha 3.11 ha TOTAL = 5.33 ha	H1 – hay meadow management
MANAGEMENT		
Cut hay or silage in each Agreement year. One year in every three cutting must not take place before 15 July in order to permit flowers and grasses in the sward to seed. Cutting should leave a sward height of 20-50 cm (1-2 inches).		

TABLE 2.4

The following management prescriptions will be carried out on the following fields:		
COMPARTMENTS	AREA	CODE
P4	4.91 ha	GX
MANAGEMENT		
In the <u>first</u> Agreement year implement the following programme of work to remove a build up of organic matter		
Work	Time	
Cut and remove herbage and dispose of by safe, non-polluting means.	Early in growing season (April/May) but taking care not to disturb any ground nesting birds.	
(To be followed by standard hay cut - see table 2.3)		

TABLE 2.5

The following management prescriptions will be carried out on the following fields:		
FIELD NUMBER	AREA	CODE
SU7087 4128 SU7087 4214	0.10 ha 2.97 ha TOTAL = 3.07 ha (2003 onwards)	F – fen management
MANAGEMENT		
<p>Fen must be managed by cutting during late summer or early autumn once in every 3 or 4 year. The 1 ha area of carr is to be cut on a 10 year rotation. Both fen and carr are to be cut in compartments to create a mosaic of different age structures. All cuttings must be removed.</p>		

TABLE 2.6

The following management prescriptions will be carried out on the following fields:		
FIELD No.	AREA	CODE
All	-	AE
MANAGEMENT		
<p>By the end of December in the first year of the Agreement, return the Register Inventory form to MAFF. By the end of March in the first year of the Agreement, send a copy of the Farm Information Pack to MAFF. During the first year of the Agreement, establish contact with one or more educational establishments and allow visits to be made. Thereafter maintain contact with educational establishments and receive a minimum of six visits in order to receive payment.</p>		

SCHEDULE 3 - ANNUAL PAYMENTS.

Table No.	Code		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	
In			1995/1996	1996/1997	1997/1998	1998/1999	1999/2000	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004	2004/2005	
Schedule 2													
2.6	AE	Quantity	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	
		Rate (£)	400.00	400.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	1100.00	1100.00
		Sub Total £	400.00	400.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	1100.00	1100.00
2.5	F	Area (Ha)	4.00	4.00	4.11	4.11	4.11	4.11	4.11	4.11	3.07	3.07	
		Rate (£)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
		Sub Total £	400.00	400.00	411.00	411.00	411.00	411.00	411.00	411.00	411.00	307.00	307.00
2.4	GX	Area (Ha)	4.91										
		Rate (£)	40.00										
		Sub Total £	196.40										
2.3	H1	Area (Ha)	7.42	7.42	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40	6.40	5.33	5.33	
		Rate (£)	70.00	70.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	115.00	115.00	115.00	115.00	115.00	115.00
		Sub Total £	519.40	519.40	544.00	544.00	544.00	736.00	736.00	736.00	736.00	612.95	612.95
2.2	LH1	Area (Ha)	25.10	25.10	39.59	39.59	39.59	39.59	39.59	39.59	11.37	11.37	
		Rate (£)	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
		Sub Total £	502.00	502.00	791.80	791.80	791.80	791.80	791.80	791.80	791.80	227.40	227.40
2.2	LH2	Area (Ha)	8.03	8.03	8.25	11.75	15.70	18.90	22.10	24.10	11.37	11.37	
		Rate (£)	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
		Sub Total £	240.90	240.90	247.50	352.50	471.00	567.00	663.00	723.00	341.10	341.10	
TOTAL ANNUAL PAYMENTS £			£2,258.70	£2,062.30	£2,494.30	£2,599.30	£2,717.80	£3,005.80	£3,101.80	£3,161.80	£2,588.45	£2,588.45	

Please note:

1. The rates of payment shown on this Schedule are subject to review at 3 yearly intervals. The next review is in 2002/2003 and any revised payments will become operative from 1 October 2003 and 1 October 2006
2. Claims should be made annually in arrears between 1 October and 31 October in each year due.
3. Agreement years run 1 October - 30 September.

Agreement Holder:	- Nettlebed Management Fund	Agreement Start Date:	01 Oct 1995
Agreement Reference:	16CSS000035	CPH:	
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	Map Ref▼	Item	Work Code	Net Qty	Cost (£)	Agreement Year
EDIT	XX99999999	AE	Educational Access	1.00	1100.00	2003
EDIT	SU70874128	F	Fen/Reed/Carr: cons.	0.10 0.14 Ha	14.00	2003
EDIT	SU70874214	F	Fen/Reed/Carr: cons.	2.97 3.97 Ha	397.00	2003
EDIT	SU69877745	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	1.57 1.77 Ha	203.55	2003
EDIT	SU70862577	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	0.65 Ha	74.75	2003
EDIT	SU69823227	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.75 1.04 Ha	20.80	2003
EDIT	SU69824704	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.10 0.04 Ha	0.80	2003
EDIT	SU69825567	LH1	Base-sustain heath	4.30 19.22 Ha	384.40	2003
EDIT	SU69828706	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.50 5.02 Ha	100.40	2003
EDIT	SU70815960	LH1	Base-sustain heath	2.02 3.56 Ha	71.20	2003
EDIT	SU70862669	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.50 1.22 Ha	24.40	2003
EDIT	SU70864036	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0 0.36 Ha	7.20	2003 <i>delete</i>
EDIT	SU70871314	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.00 5.04 Ha	100.80	2003
EDIT	SU70872163	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.50 2.95 Ha	59.00	2003
EDIT	SU70878569	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.70 1.14 Ha	22.80	2003
EDIT	SU69823227	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.75 1.04 Ha	31.20	2003
EDIT	SU69824704	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.10 0.04 Ha	1.20	2003
EDIT	SU69825567	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	4.30 19.22 Ha	576.60	2003
EDIT	SU69828706	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	1.50 5.02 Ha	150.60	2003
EDIT	SU70815960	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	2.02 3.56 Ha	106.80	2003
EDIT	SU70862669	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.50 1.22 Ha	36.60	2003
EDIT	SU70864036	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0 0.36 Ha	10.80	2003 <i>delete</i>
EDIT	SU70871314	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	1.00 5.04 Ha	151.20	2003
EDIT	SU70872163	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.50 2.95 Ha	88.50	2003
EDIT	SU70878569	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.70 1.14 Ha	34.20	2003
EDIT	SU70815960	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	3.11 3.98 Ha	457.70	2003

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<u>EDIT</u>	SU70874128	F	Fen/Reed/Carr: cons.	0.10 Ha	10.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70874214	F	Fen/Reed/Carr: cons.	2.97 Ha	297.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69877745	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	1.57 Ha	180.55	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70862577	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	0.65 Ha	74.75	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69823227	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.75 Ha	15.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69824704	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.10 Ha	2.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69825567	LH1	Base-sustain heath	4.30 Ha	86.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69828706	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.50 Ha	30.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70815960	LH1	Base-sustain heath	2.02 Ha	40.40	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70862669	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.50 Ha	10.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70871314	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.00 Ha	20.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70872163	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.50 Ha	10.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70878569	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.70 Ha	14.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69823227	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.75 Ha	22.50	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69824704	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.10 Ha	3.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69825567	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	4.30 Ha	129.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU69828706	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	1.50 Ha	45.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70815960	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	2.02 Ha	60.60	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70862669	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.50 Ha	15.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70871314	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	1.00 Ha	30.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70872163	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.50 Ha	15.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70878569	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.70 Ha	21.00	2003
<u>EDIT</u>	SU70815960	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	3.11 Ha	357.65	2003

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EDIT	SU69877745	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	1.73 Ha	198.95	2004
EDIT	SU70862577	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	0.65 Ha	74.75	2004
EDIT	SU69823227	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.75 Ha	15.00	2004
EDIT	SU69824704	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.10 Ha	2.00	2004
EDIT	SU69825567	LH1	Base-sustain heath	4.30 Ha	86.00	2004
EDIT	SU69828706	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.50 Ha	30.00	2004
EDIT	SU70815960	LH1	Base-sustain heath	2.02 Ha	40.40	2004
EDIT	SU70862669	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.50 Ha	10.00	2004
EDIT	SU70871314	LH1	Base-sustain heath	1.00 Ha	20.00	2004
EDIT	SU70872163	LH1	Base-sustain heath	2.31 Ha	46.20	2004
EDIT	SU70878569	LH1	Base-sustain heath	0.70 Ha	14.00	2004
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EDIT	SU70862669	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.50 Ha	15.00	2004
EDIT	SU70871314	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	1.00 Ha	30.00	2004
EDIT	SU70872163	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	2.31 Ha	69.30	2004
EDIT	SU70878569	LH2	Improve heath: addtn	0.70 Ha	21.00	2004
EDIT	SU70815960	H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	3.11 Ha	357.65	2004

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EDIT AE	Educational Access	1.00	1100.00	1.00	6000.00
EDIT BC	Bracken Cntrl: Chem.	0.00 Ha	0.00	29.91 Ha	2991.00
EDIT F	Fen/Reed/Carr: cons.	3.07 Ha	307.00	4.11 Ha	3880.00
EDIT GX	Sup:Reint Grass Mgmt	0.00 Ha	0.00	4.91 Ha	196.40
EDIT H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	5.33 Ha	612.95	7.42 Ha	5784.80
EDIT LH1	Base-sustain heath	11.37 Ha	227.40	39.59 Ha	6245.80
EDIT LH2	Improve heath: addtn	11.37 Ha	341.10	24.10 Ha	4242.30
EDIT P	Pollarding	0.00	0.00	10.00	175.00
EDIT PAH	Prof help: Mgmt plan	0.00	0.00	1.00	300.00
EDIT PR	Pond rest<100m sq	0.00 m2	0.00	200.00 m2	400.00
EDIT PRP	Pond rest>100m sq	0.00 m2	0.00	140.00 m2	70.00
EDIT SB	Scrub Man 25%-75%	0.00 Ha	0.00	13.40 Ha	3350.00
EDIT SC	Scrub Man > 75%	0.00 Ha	0.00	10.80 Ha	5400.00
EDIT SPC	Spec proj: capital	0.00	0.00	1.00	400.00
EDIT TN	Assist prep: Ed acc	0.00	0.00	1.00	100.00

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EDIT GX	Sup:Reint Grass Mgmt	0.00 Ha	0.00	4.91 Ha	196.40
EDIT H1	Lowland Hay Meadows	5.49 Ha	631.35	7.42 Ha	5784.80
EDIT LH1	Base-sustain heath	13.18 Ha	263.60	39.59 Ha	6245.80
EDIT LH2	Improve heath: addtn	13.18 Ha	395.40	24.10 Ha	4242.30
EDIT P	Pollarding	0.00	0.00	10.00	175.00
EDIT PAH	Prof help: Mgmt plan	0.00	0.00	1.00	300.00
EDIT PR	Pond rest<100m sq	0.00 m2	0.00	200.00 m2	400.00
EDIT PRP	Pond rest>100m sq	0.00 m2	0.00	140.00 m2	70.00
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EDIT SC	Scrub Man > 75%	0.00 Ha	0.00	10.80 Ha	5400.00
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