# TMAF Grant Commitments

Every year TMAF makes grants to many organisations and individuals to support agricultural research and education. Usually financial grants are made but resources are made available e.g. land, machinery, crops as benefit in kind.

# 2026

THE MORLEY AGRICULTURAL FOUNDATION

| Beneficiary | Start | Commitment | Project |
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| Royal Norfolk Ag. Association | | Annual | Food & farming discovery trust |
| Hertfordshire Ag. Society | | Annual | Herts school food and farming day |
| Suffolk Ag. Association | | Annual | School farm & country fair |
| Essex Ag. Association | | Annual | Essex schools food and farming day |
| The Aylsham Show | | Annual | Food & farming discovery area |
| The Forum Trust, Claire Mutimer | 2025 | 1 year | Harvest heroes farming fun workshop at Norwich science festival |
| Agri-TechE | 2023 | 3 years | Early career innovators forum |
| Eight agri professionals | ongoing | Annual | John Forrest Award - Communication Training - now in 16th year |
| Helen Reeve | 2025 | 1 year | Worshipful Company of Farmers - Challenge of Rural Leadership course |
| Clemmie Gleeson | 2025 | 1 year | Worshipful Company of Farmers - Challenge of Rural Leadership course |
| Francis Roberson | 2025 | 1 year | Worshipful Company of Farmers - Challenge of Rural Leadership course |
| Anya Heathcote, Morley PhD fully funded by TMAF 2 | 2022 | 4 years | Increasing climate resiliency and yield stability in wheat through genetic improvement of root systems |
| Abi Brock, Morley PhD fully funded by TMAF 3 | 2022 | 4 years | Improving nitrogen use efficiency in cereal crops for sustainable food production |
| Louisa Moor, Morley PhD fully funded by TMAF 4 | 2023 | 4 years | Not all soil carbon is equal |
| Anisa Blower, CTP-SAI PhD 1 | 2022 | 4 years | Exploration of Niab's synthetic wheat as a new source of disease resistance for effective genetic control of *Septoria tritici* |
| Ian Tsang, CTP-SAI PhD 2 | 2022 | 4 years | Supporting future wheat improvement underpinned by novel genetic diversity for root traits |
| Elena Bidash, Crop Science Centre, Niab, PhD | 2022 | 4 years | Manipulating meiotic recombination for crop breading |
| Nupur Tailor, CTP-SAI PhD 3 | 2023 | 4 years | Improving barley as a sustainable and healthy wholegrain |
| Ana Prada Barrio, Harper Adams | 2022 | 4 years | The effect of low tyre pressures and controlled traffic farming systems on soil properties and crop development |
| Herbert Kumwenda, Harper Adams | 2024 | 3 years | The effect of traffic and tillage systems on greenhouse gas emissions |
| Nandhini Jayasankar, Lincoln University, PhD | 2024 | 4 years | Uncovering the sulphur nutrition - boilogical nitrogen fixation paradigm in faba bean |
| Patrick Mclean, Herts. University/Rothamsted, PhD | 2023 | 4 years | Investigating fungal spore production in UK under current and future environmental conditions |
| Alexandra Smart, Harper Adams, PhD | 2024 | 4 years | Living with the enemy: The crucial role of varietal tolerance in potato cyst nematode management |
| Yusra Zireeni, Harper Adams, AFCP, MRes | 2025 | 1 year | Carbon tool evidence mapping for the sustainable farm network |
| Daisy Garratt, Niab/University Cambridge, CTP-SAI, PhD | 2025 | 4 years | Developing strategies for the control of ergot on-farm |
| Christianah Oseni, Harper Adams/John Innes, CTP-SAI, PhD | 2025 | 4 years | Optimising transient carbohydrate partitioning in wheat to improve climate resilience |
| Miranda Bracy, Harper Adams/CTP-SAI, PhD | 2025 | 4 years | Preventing, predicting and protecting crops from vectors of barley yellow dwarf virus (BYDV) |
| Henny Lowth, Royal Agricultural University, PhD | 2025 | 4 years | What are the effects of agronomic management practices on the nutritional content of Wheat (*Triticum aestivum*) |
| David Jones, University of Nottingham, MRes | 2026 | 2 years | Investigate endophyte grass and strip tillage for sustainable sugar beet production – On-farm experiments to support wider adoption |
| TMAF Own Project | 2023 | 5 years | Morley SAMS 5 - 10 |
| TMAF Own Project | 2019 | ongoing | Morley Clean Water Project |
| Niab | 2022 | 6 years | New Farming Systems (evolution from previous 15 year project) |
| Niab | 2024 | 1 years | Morley LoTS (continuation of a longer project) |
| BBRO | 2023 | 4 years | Assessing carbon dynamics in sugar beet to achieve Net Zero |
| Moulton College | 2024 | 2 years | Regenerative agriculture in damaged soils and extreme environments |
| The Maize Growers Association | 2024 | 3 years | Maximising sustainable maize production in East Anglia with reduced inputs |
| Agrifood Charities Partnership | 2024 | 3 year | Support a charity coordinator |

Informing young people | Supporting professional development | Supporting PhD and MSc research projects | Fully funded research programmes | Other

Please note: this page was updated January 2026 and is correct at this time.