

Appendix 5.1 Summary of Countryside Stewardship scheme management prescriptions relevant to scrub in England.

<i>Area or county</i>	<i>Target Areas</i>	<i>Key objectives</i>	<i>Management prescription relating to scrub</i>
Predominantly lowland			
Bedfordshire	The Chilterns	Chalk grassland management	Scrub control where necessary
"	Land outside target areas	Management of important historic sites	Restore or enhance the feature by scrub clearance
Berkshire	North Wessex Downs and Chilterns AONB	Chalk grassland	Conservation of neglected chalk grassland, through control of invasive plants including scrub
"	River valleys of the Thames, Kennet, Lambourne, Pang, Blackwater and Loddon	The flood plains contain distinctive landscape features such as pollards, reed beds and alder carr	Distinctive landscape features such as alder carr
"	Heathland/acidic grasslands	Existing heathland	Restore and improve management of areas by clearing scrub
Buckinghamshire	Chilterns	Chalk grassland	Management of neglected chalk grassland, including appropriate scrub management
Cambridgeshire	Land Outside Target Areas	Management of important historic sites	Scrub clearance
Cornwall	Lowland Heath country-wide	Conserve and enhance existing heath	Management may include controlled removal of invasive scrub
"	Culm grassland	Management of culm grassland	May include programmes of controlled removal of invasive scrub
Cumbria	Eden Valley	Management of lowland heath or raised mires	Consideration of scrub management
Derbyshire	Trent Valley washlands	Characterised by pasture, unimproved flood meadows, pollards and scrub	
"	"	Conservation and restoration of field boundaries and water features	Alder carr is important and should be enhanced or re-established where appropriate
Devon	Culm grassland	Management of culm grasslands	May include removal of invasive scrub
"	East Devon AONB	Management of old meadows and pastures	Proposals should consider control of invasive scrub
"	"	Conservation of coastal grassland	Control of invasive scrub where needed
"	"	Conservation and re-creation of lowland heath	Scrub control
"	Haldon and Bovey Basin heaths	Conservation of lowland heath	Careful removal and control of scrub
"	North Devon coast	Management of coastal grassland or heath	Scrub control where needed
"	South Devon AONB and coastal fringe	Conservation of coastal grasslands and heath	Scrub control where needed
Dorset	Dorset Heaths	Management and/or restoration or existing heathland and acid grassland	Should consider the need to manage invasive scrub
"	Blackmore Vale	Old Meadows and Pastures	Restoration and management by appropriate scrub control
"	South Purbeck	Management Grassland	Measures to control invasive scrub
"	Old meadows and pastures in Wessex	Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
Durham	Tees Lowland	Wetlands, fens and carrs	Management of grazing and water levels, to provide carr vegetation
"	Magnesium limestone plateau	Wetlands, fens and carrs	Improved management and safeguarding of carrs
East and West Sussex	Heathland	Remaining areas are under threat from lack of management which leads to scrub encroachment Existing heathland	Restore and improve management by scrub clearance

Essex	Land Outside Target Areas	Management of important historic sites	Scrub clearance
Gloucestershire	Old meadow and pasture	Conservation of semi-natural species rich grassland	Management of invasive plants including scrub
"	Sherborne Cotswolds	Conservation of semi-natural species rich grassland	Control of invasive plants including scrub where appropriate
"	"	Conservation of significant archaeological sites	Control of invasive scrub
"	Rivers in East Gloucester	Conservation of species rich neutral grassland	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	Newnt, Dymock and Leadon	Conservation of significant archaeological sites	Control of invasive scrub
Hampshire	New Forest Heritage Area	Heathland and bogs	Clearing scrub including Rhododendron
"	East Hampshire AONB	Chalk grassland	Control invasive plants including scrub
"	Heathland in the Thames Basin and Western Weald	Existing heathland	Clear scrub to promote the expansion of heathland vegetation
Hartlepool, Middlesborough, Redcar and Cleveland Stockton	Tees Lowlands	Wetland fen and carrs	Enhance carr vegetation
Herefordshire	Herefordshire river catchments	Conservation of species rich semi-natural grassland	Management of invasive plants including scrub
"	"	River and stream bankside enhancement	Coppicing alder
"	Old meadow and pasture	Conservation of semi-natural species rich grassland	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	Teme Valley	Conservation of old meadows and pastures	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	"	Enhancing river and streambank conservation	Coppicing alder to maintain the character of streams and rivers
"	"	Whole farm and landscape restoration	Providing a structural edge to woodland through management of scrub
Hertfordshire	River valleys of the Rib, Quin, Beane, Ash and Stort	Semi-natural habitat management including old grassland, fens, alder carr	Scrub control as appropriate
"	Chilterns	Chalk grassland management	Should consider scrub control
"	Watling Chase Community Forest	Heathland/acid grassland	Reinstate/improve management by clearing scrub
"	Land Outside Target Areas	Management of important historic sites	Scrub clearance
Isle of Wight	Chalk grassland	Chalk grassland	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	"	Old meadows and pastures	Scrub management may also be required on neglected sites
Kent	North Downs	Chalk grassland	Where scrub is invading chalk grassland, all or some of it should be cleared
"	High Weald	Existing heathland/acidic grassland	Restore and improve management of areas by clearing scrub
Lancashire	Lancashire and Amounderness Plain	Mosslands	Management to control scrub
Leicestershire and Rutland	Trent Valley washlands	The Trent Valley Washlands are characterised by pastures and flood meadows, pollards and scrub	
"	Charnwood	Conservation of heathland and acid grassland	Controlling scrub on existing sites a main aim
"	"	Conservation of agriculturally un-improved or semi-improved grasslands	Controlling scrub on existing sites a main aim
"	Leicestershire and South Derbyshire coalfield	Conservation of heathland and acid grassland	Controlling scrub
"	Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire Wolds	Conservation of agriculturally un-improved or semi-improved grasslands	Controlling scrub
"	High Leicestershire	Conservation of agriculturally un-improved or semi-improved grasslands	Controlling scrub

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Leicestershire and Rutland	High Leicestershire	Conservation of agriculturally un-improved or semi-improved grasslands	Controlling scrub
"	Leicestershire Vales	Conservation of agriculturally un-improved or semi-improved grasslands	Controlling scrub
Lincolnshire	Central Lincolnshire Vale	Conserve and re-create grassland	Scrub removal where necessary
"	North Lincolnshire Edge with Coversands	Conserve and enhance acid grass and heathland with appropriate re-creation	Control scrub
London	North Downs	Chalk grassland	Where scrub is invading chalk grassland, some or all of it should be cleared. Established scrub should be managed to achieve a varied age structure and species composition
"	Countryside around towns including the Thames Chase and Watling Chase Community Forests	Heathland/acid grassland	Management by clearing scrub
N/NE Lincolnshire, East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston upon Hull	Lincolnshire Wolds	Chalk grassland management	Improve habitat for wildlife, which may include scrub clearance
"	Central Lincolnshire Vale	Lowland heath	Conservation and extension of heathland habitats, with site management including scrub clearance
"	North Lincolnshire Edge with Coversands	Lowland heath	Conservation and extension of heathland habitats, with site management including scrub clearance
"	Humberhead Levels	Lowland heath	Management and recreation of heathland habitats, with site management including scrub clearance
"	Yorkshire Wolds	Chalk grassland	Maintain and enhance, management may include scrub clearance
"	Vale of York	Lowland heath	Enhanced management, including scrub clearance
Norfolk	North West Norfolk	Heathland management	Scrub clearance on neglected heaths
"	Horsford Area and the Holt/Cromer Ridge	Heathland management	Scrub clearance on neglected heaths
"	Land Outside Target Areas	Management of important historic sites	Scrub clearance
North Yorkshire	Tees Lowland	Waterside landscape	Increasing bankside cover for otters by scrub regeneration
"	Selby Lowland	Lowland heath	Management of invading scrub
"	Yorkshire Wolds	Chalk grassland	May include scrub clearance
Northumberland/Tyne and Wear	North Northumberland coastal plain	Natural and semi-natural grasslands	Scrub management where necessary
"	Tyne and Wear Lowlands	Conservation of important wildlife habitats, including species rich grasslands and wetlands	Restoration and management through scrub management
Nottinghamshire	Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire Wolds	Conservation of neutral grassland and associated historical features	Scrub removal where necessary
Oxfordshire	Chilterns and North Wessex Downs	Chalk grassland	Conservation of neglected chalk grassland by control of invasive plants including scrub
"	Midvale Ridge	Existing heathland	Restore and improve management by clearing scrub
"	Wychwood Project Area	Old meadows and pastures	Scrub management may be required on some sites

Somerset and the four Unitary Authorities of South Gloucester, Bath and North East Somerset, Bristol City and North Somerset	Quantock Hills	Heathland and unimproved pastures	Manage invasive scrub
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"	Forest of Avon Community Forest	Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
"	The Avalon Marshes	Special Project	Create a new landscape of carr
"	Ham Hill and Yeovil Sands and East Somerset Hills and Vales	Historic features	Scrub clearance
"		Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
"	Southern Cotswolds	Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
"	Mid Somerset Hills	Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
"	Old Meadows and Pastures	Grassland management	Control of invasive scrub
South Yorkshire	Yorkshire Coalfields	Wet grasslands and riverside habitats	Waterside land may be improved for conservation through scrub clearance
"	Humberhead Levels	Lowland heath	Management of scrub where required
Staffordshire	Forest of Mercia	Lowland heath	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"		Conservation of old meadows and pastures	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	Potteries and Churnet Valley	Heathland	Restoration and management by cutting scrub heath
"	White Peak in Staffordshire	Acid grasslands and heathy areas	Restoration of limestone heaths where dwarf shrubs are still present in the sward
Suffolk	Sandlings	Manage heath	Control scrub where suppressing heathland grass and heather species
"	High Suffolk and South Suffolk Claylands	Manage tyes, greens or commons	To prevent scrub encroachment
"	Land outside target areas	Management of historic sites	Scrub clearance
Surrey	North Downs	Chalk grassland	Where scrub is invading chalk grassland, some or all of it should be cleared. Established scrub should be managed to achieve a varied age structure and species composition
"	Thames Basin Heath and Wealden Greensands	Existing heathland	Restore and improve by clearing scrub
Warwickshire and West Midlands	Old meadow and pasture	Conservation of semi-natural species rich grassland	Management of invasive plants including scrub
"	Arden	Conservation of acidic and neutral grassland sites and lowland heath	Management of invasive plants including scrub
"	Forest of Mercia	Conservation and restoration of lowland heath	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"		Conservation of old meadows and pastures	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"	The Cotswolds outside the ESA	Conservation of semi-natural species rich grasslands	Control of invasive plants including scrub
"		Conservation of significant archaeological sites	Control of invasive scrub
"	Feldon and East Warwickshire	Conservation of old meadows and pastures	Control of invasive plants including scrub

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West Yorkshire	Great Western Community Forest	Grassland management	Measures to control invasive scrub
"	Braydon Forest	Grassland management	Measures to control invasive scrub
"	Wiltshire Downs	Grassland management	Measures to control invasive scrub
"	South Cotswolds	Grassland management	Measures to control invasive scrub
Wiltshire	Old Meadows and Pastures	Grassland management	Measures to control invasive scrub
"	Arden	Conservation of acidic and neutral grassland sites and lowland heath	Measures to control invasive scrub
"		Conservation of old meadows and pastures	Control of invasive plants including scrub
Worcestershire	Wyre Forest and Mid Severn Sandstone plateau	Conservation of unimproved species rich grassland	Management of invasive plants including scrub
"		Conservation and restoration of Lowland heath and a mosaic of acid grassland	Control of invasive plants including scrub
Predominantly upland			
Cheshire, Merseyside and Greater Manchester	South West Peak ESA Fringe	Moorland	-
Cumbria	Border Moors and Border Pennines	Protection of archaeological features	Protect from scrub invasion
"	Orton Fells	Limestone grassland/pavements	Conservation and enhancement through possibly scrub management
"	Morecambe Bay Limestones	Conservation of limestone grassland and heath	Conservation/enhancement, including scrub management to create a mosaic of habitats
"	Yorkshire Dales	Protection of archaeological features or historical landscape	Appropriate scrub management
Derbyshire	Southern Magnesian Limestone in Derbyshire	Appropriate management of calcareous and neutral grassland	To protect historic features through scrub management
"	Dark Peak	Management of moorland and upland intakes	Scrub management on historic sites
"	South West Peak	Conservation management of gorse/hawthorn scrub	In mosaic with heathland /grassland habitats
"	Derbyshire Peak Fringe		Steeper slopes characterised by scrub and woodland
Durham	North Pennines	Wet pastures and riverside land	Reduction of grazing within juniper woodlands
Hartlepool, Middlesborough, Redcar and Cleveland Stockton	North York Moors and Cleveland Hills	Heathland	Manage dwarf shrub community to increase floral and bird diversity
Lancashire	Morecambe Bay Limestones	Conservation of limestone grassland and heath	Conservation/enhancement, including scrub management to create a mosaic of habitats
Northumberland/Tyne and Wear	Border Moors and Forests	Archaeological features	Protection of archaeological features and other historic features from scrub invasion
"	Northumberland Sandstone Hills	"	Conserve and protect from scrub encroachment through scrub clearance as appropriate
North Yorkshire	Yorkshire Dales National Park	Riverside and wetland habitats	Carr management
Shropshire	The Shropshire Hills, Clun Hills and Teme Valley	Limestone grassland on Wenlock Edge	Restoration and management of limestone grassland where scrub has developed and grassland is reverting to woodland
"	Oswestry Uplands	Applications enhanced by fenland management and restoration	

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"	Quantock Hills	Heathland and unimproved pastures	Manage invasive scrub
South Yorkshire	Dark Peak Pennine Fringe	Heather moorlands Wet grasslands and riverside features Heather moorland	Where appropriate, clear scrub Clear scrub from degraded grasslands Control of scrub
	Southern Magnesian Limestone	Intensive arable farming has lead to the development of a large, open landscape and a scarcity and fragmentation of grasslands and scrub in the landscape	
Staffordshire	The South West Peak ESA Fringe	Exclusion of livestock from clough woodlands	Encouraging scrub such as gorse and hawthorn to establish
West Yorkshire	Southern Magnesian limestone	Intensive arable farming has lead to the development of a large, open landscape and a scarcity and fragmentation of grasslands and scrub	