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**There are now great opportunities for forestry businesses, but if you have an idea you need to act now!**



Kerry had an idea that needed funding



Jake had an idea that needed funding

**Forestry Commission England are promoting free support to forestry businesses in relation to new grants within the new Rural Development Programme, set to start in 2015.**

Details of future schemes are yet to be decided or announced but if arrangements are similar to the last programme the most obvious interest for grant support might include kit (timber harvesting, extraction and primary processing equipment) with an emphasis on innovation. But potentially also in scope is venison processing, training, business support, co-operation/collaboration and advisory services.

During 2014 the Forestry Commission is offering free support to forestry businesses with an idea to expand their business but struggle to pull the necessary paperwork together. This support, provided by a consortium of forestry initiatives and specialists throughout England, will help with business planning, financial forecasting, legal agreements, identify the right technical solutions and the best fit grant.

Experience from previous rounds of these European Rural Development Grants shows that it will be important for forestry businesses to have good quality 'oven ready' applications in time for the official opening.

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