

Legislation

- To avoid disturbing nesting birds scrub should be cleared outside of the breeding season – 1 March - 31 August (see Advice note 3 – Scrub management).
- The 'Heather and Grass Burning Code (2007)' swaling is permitted between 1 November and 31 March in lowland areas including most of the Culm area (see Advice note 6 Swaling).
- Certain recommendations included in this leaflet may not be permitted under ELS or HLS agreements. Contact your Natural England advisor if required.

Sources of funding

- Culm grasslands can attract support from both Entry Level and Higher Level Stewardship schemes (administered by Natural England, www.naturalengland.org.uk).
- The Working Wetlands Small Grant Award may be able to support Culm grassland restoration works, particularly on small sites where HLS is not available. Contact the Working Wetlands team for more details.

Sources of information

- Working Wetlands: tel 01409 221823 or email working.wetlands@devonwildlifetrust.org
- Natural England: for general enquiries about Stewardship options for your land: tel 0300 060 1118 or email iss.bristol@naturalengland.org.uk
- Well-managed Culm grasslands can be visited at Devon Wildlife Trust's Dunsdon and Volehouse Moor nature reserves, www.devonwildlifetrust.org

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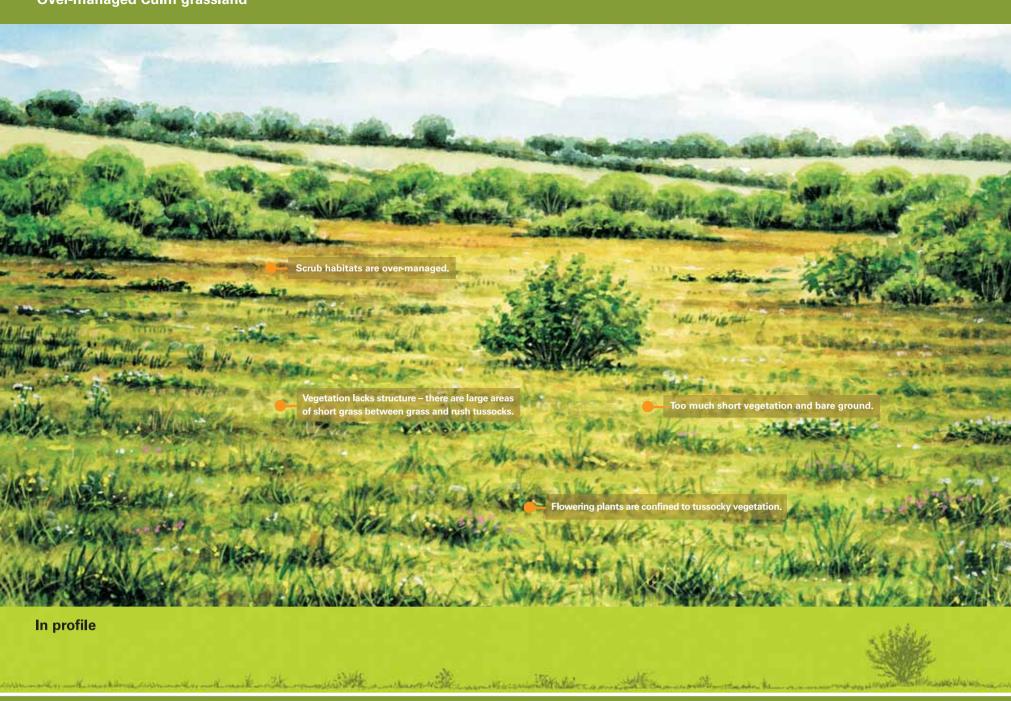
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by acting as a filter, removing silt and nutrients. It also acts as a sponge absorbing excessive water during periods of high rainfall, and slowly releasing

it during times of drought.



Well-managed Culm grassland



Under-managed Culm grassland

