

# SCOTTISH RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

## 2014-2020

### Improving Public Access

scheme will deliver **105 miles of new and refurbished paths**. This is the distance between Kinross and Aberdeen.



## How does the programme support the rural economy in Scotland?

The purpose of the SRDP 2014 to 2020 is to help achieve sustainable economic growth.

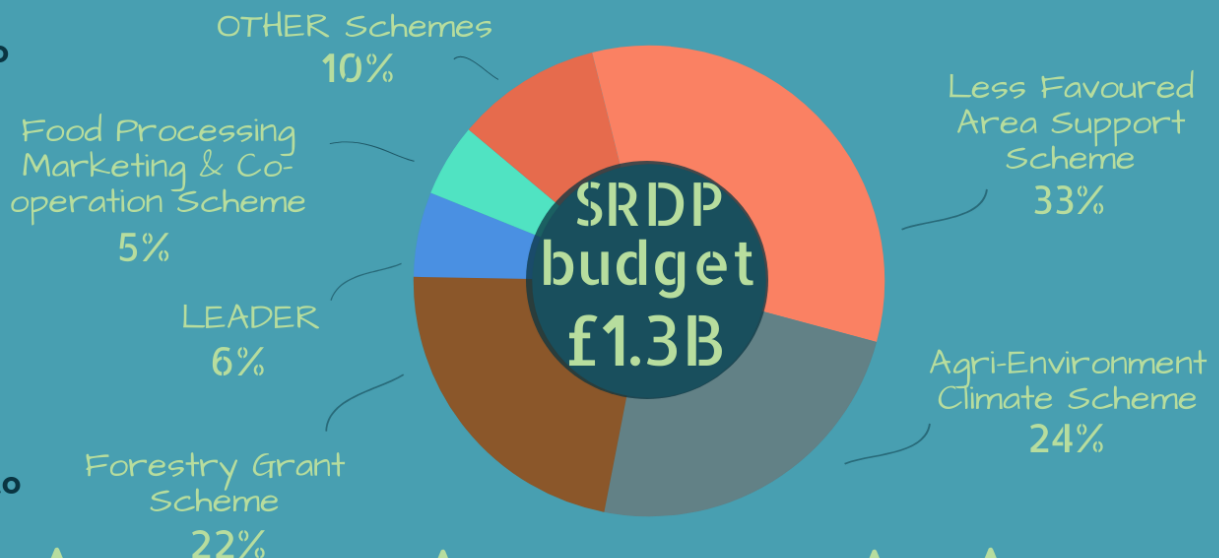
The main priorities are: enhancing the rural economy, supporting agricultural and forestry businesses, protecting and improving the natural environment, addressing the impact of climate change and supporting rural communities.

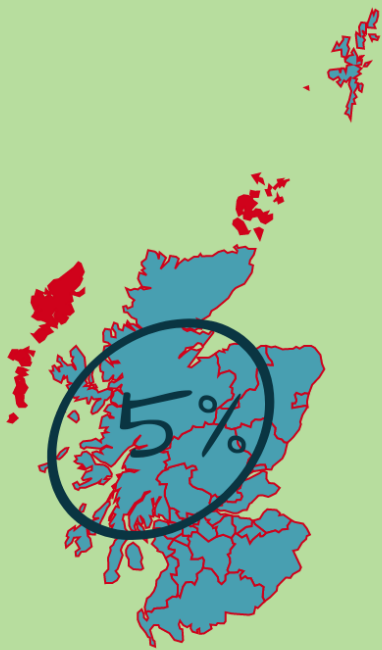


More than **13,000** approved projects to date



Over **£940** million committed to support the rural economy





5% of Scotland is under environmental management.



For every person living in Scotland there have been 8 trees planted during this programme period.

# Forestry Grant Scheme

Scotland's woodlands and forests are a vital national resource and play an important role in rural development and sustainable land use.

19,875 Ha of woodland created

Every year these trees sequester roughly the same amount of carbon dioxide equivalent to flying around the world 36 times.



## Agri-Environment Climate Scheme

promotes land management practices which protect and enhance Scotland's magnificent natural heritage, improve water quality, manage flood risk and mitigate and adapt to climate change

## What have some of the other schemes done?



LEADER has **funded 879 projects** to date, which vary from organising an activity week for young people in Dumfries & Gallaway to a recycling project in Moray.



The Food Processing Marketing & Co-operation Scheme has **created and safeguarded 8,245 jobs**.



The Knowledge Transfer and Innovation Fund has **trained 14,384 participants**, which is almost the entire population of Troon.



The number of beneficiaries that have received advice through the Farm Advisory Service can fill **30 Boeing 747 airplanes**.



The Less Favoured Area Support Scheme continues to support more than **11,000 farmers and crofters**.



**894 new farmers** have received support through other schemes for their agricultural business.