

Applicant: **Charles-Skerritt, Claudia**
Organisation: **Flowers By Claudia**
Funding Sought: **£18,614.00**

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Protecting Biodiversity While Sustaining Cultural Livelihoods in Duck Pond, Montserrat

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PRIMARY APPLICANT DETAILS

Title	Mrs
Name	Claudia
Surname	Charles-Skerritt
Organisation	Flowers By Claudia
Tel (Work)	[REDACTED]
Email (Work)	[REDACTED]
Address	[REDACTED]

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Section 1 - Project Title & Contact Details

Q1. Project Title

Protecting Biodiversity While Sustaining Cultural Livelihoods in Duck Pond, Montserrat

Q2. Please select whether you are applying as an organisation or as an individual (Guidance section 3 and Guidance Glossary)

☒ Individual*

PRIMARY APPLICANT DETAILS

Title	Mrs
Name	Claudia
Surname	Charles-Skerritt
Organisation	Flowers By Claudia
Tel (Work)	
Email (Work)	
Address	

*If applying as an individual, you must open a separate project bank account used solely for your grant payment, if successful. This will be checked by the fund administrators. The maximum amount individuals can apply for from Darwin Plus Local is £20,000. Individual applicants will also be asked to provide: proof of identity, proof of solvency (e.g. bank statement), and a police check, if successful.

Section 2 - Overseas Territory(ies)

Q3. Please state whether the same (or a similar) project proposal has previously been submitted (or you are planning to submit it) to the UK Government for funding. This includes through Darwin Plus Local, Defra’s other Darwin Plus grant schemes or other UK Government funding mechanisms. Failure to share this information may result in the application being ineligible (see Guidance section 2.1.1).

☒ No

Q4. Overseas Territory (Guidance section 1.3):

Which UK Overseas Territory(ies) will your project be working in?

☒ Montserrat

* if you have indicated a territory group with an asterisk, please give detail on which territories you are working on here:

No Response

In addition to the UKOT(s) you have indicated, will your project directly benefit any other UK OT(s) or country(ies)?

☐ No

Section 3 - Project Partners

Q5. Project partners (Guidance section 3.2)

In this section, please give details of all the partners involved (including the Lead Organisation) and provide a summary of their roles.

Project Leader name: (Guidance section 3.1)	Mrs. Claudia Winifred Charles-Skerritt
Lead Organisation name: (if applying as an organisation; Guidance section 3.1)	<i>No Response</i>
Lead Organisation Website (if applicable):	<i>No Response</i>
Is the Lead Organisation based in a UKOT where the project is working? (Guidance section 3.1)	☒ Yes
List other partners involved and where are they based:	1. Miss Ernestine Corbett based in Montserrat 2. Mr. Barry Mahabir based in Montserrat 3. Mr. Al Flemming based in Montserrat 4. Mr. Lyston Skerritt based in Montserrat

Summary of roles and responsibilities of each partner in the project:

1. Ernestine Corbett has been the Director, Department of Environment (DoE) for over seven years. She advises on environmental policies, laws and regulations, collaborates with global stakeholders on a variety of conservation matters. Corbett leads the implementation of climate change policies, overseas technical experts with forestry, biodiversity conservation and bird monitoring expertise. She possesses a track record in community engagements to include coordination of annual World Environment Day.
2. Barry Bahamir is an Environmental Officer with DoE to provide, inter alia, technical guidance in areas such as biodiversity solutions and climate change resilience. Barry will work with this project to ensure that key aspects of the project are aligned with and support national priorities.
3. Al Flemming is an accountant with expertise in construction accounting. If this proposal is successful, he will assist with reporting requirements and track funds to ensure that they are used correctly. His guidance will maximize the grant's impact while maintaining financial accuracy and accountability.
4. Lyston Skerritt brings two decades of expertise in educational leadership, youth development and strategic policy design in the United States and the Caribbean. He has worked alongside regional partners such as OECS, UNICEF, UNESCO, CARICOM to create transformative educational frameworks for children and youth across the Caribbean. In this proposal, he brings strategic insight and guidance particularly with our selected themes.

I confirm that all listed partners are aware of this application and have indicated support: Checked

Attach a Cover Letter for your application (Guidance section 4.2).

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Section 4 - Project Summary & Description

Q6. Project Summary (Guidance section 3.8)

Please provide a brief summary of your project. This may be used in communication activities and/or published online, if your application is successful.

The Duck Pond project will construct a 56m x 1.2m x 1.2m concrete waterway, on its 0.53-hectare plot; establish 325 vetiver plantlets along 200 metres fence line; create six, 25 metres terraces with 120 vetiver plantlets; develop a 380m² avian habitat incorporating endemic and national symbolic plants; participate in an overseas vetiver basketry training programme to reinvigorate a cottage industry that will preserve our cultural heritage; train a cadre of articulate conservation advocates that will promote the value of biodiversity.

Q7a. Description (Guidance section 2.1 and 6)

Please provide a description of your project, including:

- the overall objective
- the current situation and the problem the project is trying to address
- what success will look like and how you will measure it

Please be as specific as possible when describing the project, using quantified data and evidence where available. You may wish to consider: what are the specific threats to the environment that the project will attempt to address, and what should we know about these threats? What does your successful project look like? And how will you demonstrate whether and how your project has been successful?

The primary objective of the project: Protecting Biodiversity While Sustaining Cultural Livelihoods in Duck Pond (DP), Montserrat, is to promote biodiversity by mitigating impacts of climate change in order to improve the conditions of the ecosystems while building capacity through community engagements thereby fostering a sustainable relationship between humans and the natural environments.

Current Situation: Montserrat is vulnerable to numerous environmental hazards to include hurricanes, floods and earthquakes. The Soufriere Hills Volcano which first erupted in 1995, is still active and has left only one third of the island's 39 square miles habitable. As of September 2024, the population was 4 378. The island's biodiversity is further exacerbated by limited natural resources and its vulnerability to climate change impacts such as rising temperatures and reduced rainfall. Both flora and fauna species are endangered due to habitat loss, invasive species such as chytridiomycosis in mountain chicken, and by poor farming and conservation practices near ecologically sensitive areas. The island's susceptibility is further weakened by poor physical infrastructure, a small economy based on tourism that is heavily import-dependent and sensitive to external market forces. Conservation awareness programmes and dynamic biodiversity advocates are rare.

The Problem project will address: Duck Pond is located in Salem, the extreme south of the northern zone. In its Physical Development Plan for the north of the island, the Government has designated DP as an agriculture zone. The convergence of natural disasters and biodiversity degradation have posed a complex and growing challenge on the 0.53-hectare plot. Over the years, its ecosystems have been undermined resulting in habitat loss and landscape degradation that has made it increasingly difficult to cultivate quality marketable produce. Some species have had disruption in their food webs and ecological relationships. They have also had limited capacity to adapt to rapid environmental changes, for example *Epidendrum montserratense* orchids and the *Amphibulimidae pardalina* snails, which have heightened their vulnerability and shifted their population dynamics. Heavy rains have eroded the soil structure and profile creating a waterway that is 56m x 1.2m x 1.2m. Further, continuous flooding is undermining the feeder and public roads such as the road from DP to the Montserrat Community College. Consequently, it is critical to intercept these destructive activities and restore ecological balance while simultaneously supporting food security and developing cultural heritage to sustain livelihoods.

This proposal envisioned the following key successes and indicators

1. construction of a 56m x 1.2m x 1.2m reinforced concrete waterway, east to west, to mitigate soil erosion and siltation
2. establish three hundred and twenty-five (325) vetiver plantlets along 200 metres north-eastern fence line to reduce flooding
3. create six, twenty-five (25m) terraces along the water flow and plant 120 endemic vetiver plantlets to prevent pooling of stagnant water and eliminate mosquito breeding sites. Vetiver roots will filter, retain and preserve the quality of run off water resulting in enhanced ecosystems for species down stream
4. create a three hundred and eighty square metres (380m²) avian habitat incorporating endemic, and national symbolic plants which will bolster eco-tourism services
5. introduce ecosystems health metrics to evaluate the ecosystems quality
6. participate in an overseas vetiver basketry training of trainers' workshop in order to reinvigorate a cottage industry that will preserve our cultural heritage while enhancing livelihoods.

7. engage 170 students and 30 farmers during annual field trips about the value of high biodiversity
8. replicate annually, best conservation practices for women in agriculture
9. use surveys and participation rates to measure the community's involvement in conservation activities and awareness programmes.
10. use as an applied learning experience for senior students studying Geography and Agriculture

Q7b. Long-term sustainability (Guidance section 2.1 and 6)

Please describe the long-term benefits of the project and the change it will bring about. How will the outcomes of the project be sustained after the funding is finished?

The proposal's long-term benefits include reduced flooding, soil erosion and siltation; preserving the natural flow of runoff water to secure the integrity of adjacent public roads resulting in reduced maintenance costs; increased ecosystems' resilience that will encourage fascinating species. while contributing to essential services like human well-being, food security, quality air and clean water.

In addition, integrate a robust monitoring and evaluation framework with periodic assessment to measure progress and adapt as required, facilitate conservation awareness programmes that will produce a cadre of knowledgeable advocates. Facilitating annual biodiversity field trips for students, stakeholders' conservation management demonstrations to strengthen national stewardship and annual basketry training to bolster the vetiver cottage industry.

To sustain the outcomes of the proposal, we will establish monitoring programmes and allow for timely interventions as environmental conditions change; build local relationships while collaborating with global partners such as Global Environmental Facility that can guide and provide supplementary funding to support our objectives. Further, list the farm as a model biodiversity site and charge an eco-tourism fee, seek in-kind commitments from local stakeholders such as snack packs for field trips and printing services from public library, as well as sell vetiver by-products and biodiversity memorabilia.

(Optional) Please upload any additional and supporting materials or files (such as maps of project sites, etc) below. Maximum of 5 sides of A4, and is combined as a single PDF:

 [Darwin Plus Local application Claudia Skerritt Supporting materialsR](#)
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Section 5 - Project Outcome(s)

Q8. Project Outcome(s) (Guidance section 1.2)

Successful Darwin Plus Local projects must demonstrate measurable outcomes in at least one of the themes of Darwin Plus with a clear focus on biodiversity and the natural environment, either by the end of the project or soon after through a credible plan.

Please note: Any proposals including research or monitoring are required to demonstrate a clear link to tangible outcomes for conservation of biodiversity and the natural environment. Please explain how any new research will be applied to drive environmental outcomes on the ground.

Please confirm that your project has a clear focus on biodiversity and the natural environment.

Checked **Biodiversity: improving and conserving biodiversity, and slowing or reversing biodiversity loss and degradation;**

Please tick which additional theme(s) of Darwin Plus your project contributes to (if relevant):

Checked **Climate change: responding to, mitigating and adapting to climate change and its effects on the natural environment and local communities;**

Checked **Environmental quality: improving the condition and protection of the natural environment**

Checked **Capability and capacity building: enhancing the capacity within OTs, including through community engagement and awareness, to support the environment in the short- and long-term.**

Please justify your selection. Please use quantitative information where possible here.

Biodiversity: introduce species population surveys, identify 10 distinct species within 3 vetiver ecosystems then measure their evenness

Climate change: install a rain gauge in the avian habitat to record precipitation; begin recording the frequency and intensity of extreme weather conditions floods and hurricanes

Environmental quality: annually measure the water quality of 2 ecosystems and analyse air quality survey forms 30 visitors have completed

Capability and capacity building annually train 20 girl guides the vetiver basketry skills as well as engage twelve secondary school senior students in the construction and planting phases of the project

Section 6 - Workplan

Q9. Workplan (Guidance section 2.2)

Please provide anticipated dates for the start and end of your planned project here. Please use the Darwin Plus Local Project Workplan (available at: <https://darwinplus.org.uk/how-to-apply/local-applications/>) to provide a list of the individual activities you have planned for this project, a brief description of what each activity entails, and the months in which the activities will be carried out. If the project involves only one activity (e.g. a purchase), please still provide project start and end dates (noting estimated times for procurement). Please note that your project must start after 1 April 2025 and be completed by 31 March 2026.

Start date:	End date:	Duration (e.g. 3 months):
01 April 2025	28 February 2026	11 months

Please upload the completed Darwin Plus Local Project Workplan with your proposed project activities here

Section 7 - Costs

Q10. Costs (Guidance section 2.2 and please read the Finance Guidance)

Please provide a breakdown of costs to be funded through Darwin Plus Local (in GBP).

Are you seeking any matched funding for this project? (Please note that this is optional and there is no requirement to seek matched funding for Darwin Plus Local projects).

☒ No

Budget line	Explanation	Cost in GBP
Staff costs:	Vernon Farrell - Petty Contractor, lead on the construction of 56m reinforced concrete waterway [REDACTED]	
	Desmond Weekes – labourer to establish 325 vetiver plantlets along 200m fence line and 120 vetiver plants in terraces [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
	John St. Marc - Labourer to work on construction of concrete waterway and to clear and establish avian habitat and plant endemic flora species [REDACTED]	
Consultancy costs:	Not applicable	£0.00
Overhead costs:	Not applicable	£0.00
Travel & subsistence costs:	Claudia Skerritt - Project Leader to attend a Training of Trainers Basketry Workshop in Dominica	[REDACTED]
Operating costs:	200 Fliers for field visits for Primary schools' pupils (75), Secondary school students (75), Montserrat College students (20) and farmers/women in agriculture (30) [REDACTED]	
	Refreshment for twenty (20) Girl Guides attending Basketry Training [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
	Refreshment packages for 200 participants on field trips @ [REDACTED] GBP each [REDACTED]	
Capital equipment:	Not applicable	£0.00

to purchase small work tools: 2 broad forks, 1 heavy duty shovel, 2 grass sickles, 2 heavy duty machetes, 2 garden pruners, 1 weather thermometer, 1 range gauge, 1 weed eater, 1 wheel barrow, 1 leaf shredder [REDACTED]

for 10 native heliconia plantlets [REDACTED]

Other Costs

for 325 Native vetiver plants [REDACTED]

Tyrone Duberry – equipment owner for preparatory earthworks [REDACTED]

NOEL Enterprises and/or M S Osborne for construction materials [REDACTED]

Total: [REDACTED]

This section provides more information on the budget to help evaluators understand how you will use the funds you are requesting. You do not need to list all costs, but please list and detail costs of more than £1,000 per item below, under the appropriate budget line.

Details of staff costs over £1,000 (if relevant)

Vernon Farrell, Petty Contractor, to supervise the construction of the 56m reinforced concrete waterway: tie rebar and place in drain for concrete work, erect form work along with all necessary bracing to take concrete, vibrate and trowel finish waterway - [REDACTED]

Details of overhead costs over £1,000 (if relevant):

No Response

Details of travel and subsistence costs over £1,000 (if relevant):

Claudia Charles-Skerritt - Project Leader: travel from Montserrat to Commonwealth of Dominica in August 2025 for vetiver Training of Trainers Basketry Workshop [REDACTED] Accommodation for seven (7) days [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Subsistence [REDACTED] Cost of Training, tools and materials [REDACTED]

Total [REDACTED]

Details of operating costs over £1,000 (if relevant):

Venice Jones for 200 refreshment packages for participants on field trips @ [REDACTED] each [REDACTED]

Details of capital equipment costs over £1,000 (if relevant):

No Response

Details of consultancy costs over £1,000 (if relevant):

No Response

Details of other costs over £1,000 (if relevant)

Tyrone Duberry – Excavating equipment owner for preparatory earthworks in waterway [REDACTED]

NOEL Enterprises Ltd and M S Osborne Ltd for construction materials: 2 tonnes ½" rebar, 10 rolls tie wire, 50 sheets ¾" plywood, 15 lengths 1" x 8" x 14' lumber, 150 lengths 2" x 4" x 16' lumber and cement, sand and gravel [REDACTED]

If your project budget was prepared in another currency and converted to GBP, please provide the exchange rate, its source, and the date it was accessed:

Other currency:	Exchange rate:	Source of this exchange rate:	Date exchange rate accessed:
Eastern Caribbean Dollars	0.2920	Google Finance	18 November 2024

Darwin Plus Local has been created to build capacity and contribute to local economies in-territory (Guidance section 2.1.1 and section 1.8.4 of the Finance Guidance).

In-territory spend is defined in Darwin Plus Local as including funding spent on:

- Equipment purchased in-territory;
- Equipment that cannot be acquired in-territory and is therefore purchased abroad, but will remain and be used in-territory beyond the life of the proposed Darwin Plus Local project;
- Training or skills that cannot be acquired in-territory and are therefore purchased abroad, but will be used in-territory beyond the life of the proposed Darwin Plus Local project;
- Time for consultants or staff based in-territory.

In-territory spend does not include:

- Time for consultants or staff who are based abroad, even if they travel to the OT to undertake the work;
- Shipping and import costs for equipment purchased abroad;
- Travel and subsistence costs where they incur spend outside the OT.

What % of the total will be spent in-territory?

If less than 80% of the total project spend is to be spent in-territory, please explain why.

No Response

Section 8 - Local and National Priorities

Q11. Local and national priorities

Please explain how this project aligns with local and national priorities? You may wish to consider the project in the context of national environmental laws, objectives, strategies, territory specific agreements, action plans or policies.

This proposal aligns with Montserrat's national priorities as follows:

1. Legislation: Conservation and Environmental Management Act (CEMA) revised 2019
 - Part 5 Conservation of Biodiversity
2. Key frameworks influencing Montserrat's policies and aligning with proposal are:
 - St. George's Declaration of Principles for Environmental Sustainability: An OECS document to integrate environmental sustainability into development planning.
 - Montserrat Sustainable Development Plan (SDP) (2008–2020): the policy framework outlines national development priorities and guides public and private sector actions and resource allocation. It establishes the foundation for action on climate change through the identification and articulation of Strategic Goal 3: Environmental Management and Disaster Mitigation.

- National Climate Change Policy and Action Plan: outlines strategies for reducing emissions, safeguarding ecosystems, and enhancing disaster risk management. It aims to balance development needs with environmental protection, thus ensuring the island's long term viability in the face of a changing climate and aligns with the Duck Pond project
3. Adaptation Strategies: the proposal aligns to:
- Ecosystem Conservation: Governments efforts to preserve ecosystems that serve as natural buffers against climate impacts.
 - Water Resource Management: aligns with water scarcity through establishment of vetiver plants, mulching and installation of drip irrigation system.

Will the project...

Take place on Government owned land or water?

☒ Yes

Involve biocontrol, invasive alien species control or eradication?

☒ No

Require permit(s) from Government departments for completion of activities?

☒ No

If you have answered yes to any of the questions above, please attach evidence that you have Government support for this project i.e. a Letter of Support. Applications which indicate that they do not take place on Government land or water, but which propose work that appears to the reviewers would be difficult/impossible to carry out without working on government land or waters may be ineligible if no Letter of Support is provided.

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Section 9 - Project Risks

Q12. Project Risks

Please demonstrate your consideration of any risks involved in this project and how you intend to manage them. Please note the importance of health and safety and environmental risk assessment in the design of your project. If there is any possibility that your project may have negative impacts on the environment or human health, it is important that you provide a comprehensive analysis of potential environmental and human health risks, and the prevention measures you will take to ensure the work does not cause harm.

Depending on your project, you may wish to consider:

- Biosecurity risks – particularly for projects involving external equipment.
- Safeguarding risks – particularly for projects involving vulnerable groups such as children, older people or people with disabilities.
 For example, you should consider the ratio of vulnerable people or children to adults, ensuring there are appropriate background checks of all staff, and informing vulnerable groups and children of their right to safety and protection.

Risk	Mitigation
Project Implementation	Weekly consultations with petty contractor and personnel from the Department of Environment to assess progress and agree on decisions
	Daily meetings with labourers to ensure tasks as achieved as specified
	Bulk purchase of construction materials like steel, cement and form board to ensure value for money
Loose livestock risk impacting project	Materials sourced locally will reduce introduction of new species.
	Plot is fenced to ward off loose livestock
Safeguarding	██████████ has been an educator in the Primary and Secondary Schools and has been trained in Safeguarding. She is familiar with the safeguarding principles. All volunteers will be required to attend a Safeguarding Workshop

Do you require more fields?

☒ Yes

Risk	Mitigation
Limited Resources	Seek grants and technical support from regional partners such as the Caribbean Policy Development Centre and international partners like the Global Environment Facility
Excessive drought, flooding, volcanic activity	Construction of the reinforced concrete waterway, the terraces and fence line planted with vetiver clumps will greatly reduce flood impacts
	Heavy mulching with weeds and dried vetiver leaves as well as adopting drip irrigation technology using water run-off from the nearby dam will reduce the impact of drought
	Follow established volcanic activity plan
No Response	No Response
No Response	No Response
No Response	No Response

Section 10 - Terms & Conditions

Q13. Terms and conditions (Guidance section 3.10)

By applying for Darwin Plus Local you are adhering in full to the grant Terms and Conditions in full (available at: <https://darwinplus.org.uk/how-to-apply/local-applications/> and as referenced in the Guidance at section 3.10). For information, the Terms and Conditions include requirements for all applicants to (amongst other requirements as per the full Terms and Conditions):

- Uphold a zero tolerance for inaction approach to tackling sexual exploitation, abuse, and harassment.
- Where appropriate, make all reasonable and adequate efforts to address gender inequality and other power imbalances.
- Notify all cases of fraud and theft (whether proven or suspected) relating to the project to the Grant Administrator as soon as they identified.

Please indicate you have read, and understood, and will adhere to the Terms and Conditions.

Checked

Supporting documents list (please have these ready to attach with application)

- Cover Letter of no more than two A4 pages. (Guidance section: 4.2 has information on what this cover letter should include).
- If the project takes place on public land or water, is addressing invasive alien species or includes activities requiring a permit, a Letter of support from OT Government.
- Project Workplan in the template provided for Darwin Plus Local (available at: <https://darwinplus.org.uk/how-to-apply/local-applications/>).
- Map and additional information (optional) maximum five additional pages.

If your application is successful

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If your project application is successful, the Fund Administrator (NIRAS) will ask you to provide some financial evidence for due diligence checks before you receive your project grant. (Please see section 3.3 of the Darwin Plus Local Finance Guidance). Please be ready to provide this evidence promptly.

- **Financial evidence for organisations:** Year-end financial statements, the latest management accounts or audited accounts (if you have these).
- **Financial evidence for individuals:** Proof of identity such as a passport, ID card or driving licence and solvency (such as bank statements) and a police check.

Section 11 - Certification

Certification

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made in this application are true and the information provided is correct.

Checked

I have the authority to submit an application on behalf of my organisation.

Checked

Name: Claudia Winifred Charles-Skerritt

Position in the
organisation:
(if applicable) No Response

Signature (please upload e-signature)

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Section 12 - Submission Checklist

Checklist for submission

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I have read the Guidance documents, including the “Darwin Plus Local Guidance” and the “Darwin Plus Local Finance Guidance”.	Checked
If my proposed project takes place on public lands or water or is addressing alien invasive species, I have uploaded a Letter of Support from Government.	Checked
I have uploaded a cover letter that details the information requested in the guidance (Guidance section 4.2 has information on what this cover letter should include).	Checked
I have read, and can meet, the current Terms and Conditions for this fund (found at: https://darwinplus.org.uk/apply/local-applications/) for this fund.	Checked
I have provided actual start and end dates for my project that fit this Round.	Checked
I have provided my summary budget based on UK government financial years i.e. 1 April – 31 March and in GBP in the application form.	Checked
I have uploaded my project workplan using the specific template provided (available at: https://darwinplus.org.uk/apply/local-applications/).	Checked
I have uploaded all supplementary documents if I have any.	Checked
(If copying and pasting into Flexi-Grant) I have checked that all my responses have been successfully copied into the online application form.	Checked
The application has been signed by a suitably authorised individual (clear electronic or scanned signatures are acceptable).	Checked
I have checked the Darwin Plus website immediately prior to submission to ensure there are no late updates.	Checked
I have read and understood the Privacy Notice on the Darwin Plus website.	Checked

We would like to keep in touch!

Please check this box if you would be happy for the lead applicant (Flexi-Grant Account Holder) and project leader (if different) to be added to our mailing list. Through our mailing list we share updates on upcoming and current application rounds under Darwin Plus. We also provide occasional updates on other UK Government activities related to biodiversity conservation and share project news. You are free to unsubscribe at any time.

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Data protection and use of personal data

Information supplied in the application form, including personal data, will be used by Defra as set out in the **Privacy Notice**, available from the [Forms and Guidance Portal](#).

This Privacy Notice must be provided to all individuals whose personal data is supplied in the application form. Some information may be used when publicising Darwin Plus including project details (usually title, lead partner, project leader, location, and total grant value).