Membership Application- Fenland Soil Farmer's Dialogue Group

Farmer and Grower Subscription

1. Subscription Levels

The Farmer's Dialogue Group operates a banded annual payment scheme, with the payment being determined as the area your business actively farms. The bands are outlined in the below table.

	Area Actively Farmed Payment (per annum)	
Band A	Up to 199 ac (80ha)	£50 + VAT
Band B	200 to 499 ac (81 to 201 ha)	£100 + VAT
Band C	500 to 1999 ac (202 to 808 ha)	£300 + VAT
Band D	2000 to 4999 ac (809 to 2022 £500 + VAT ha)	
Band E	Over 5000 ac (2023 ha)	£1000 + VAT

2. Membership Requirements

To become a subscribed member of the Farmer's Dialogue Group as a farmer or grower you should be a farmer or grower with business operations based in the East Anglian Fens, including the Cambridgeshire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk and Suffolk Fens. Applicants who farm in other Lowland Agricultural Peatlands across the UK, including but not limited to the Norfolk Broads, Somerset Levels, Isle of Axholme and Humberhead Levels will also be welcome but must note that whilst research will overlap and may likely be useful and interesting for those located outside of East Anglia, the focus of this group is the East Anglian Fens.

3. Membership Term

Payments will be reviewed and renewed on an annual basis. Membership must be paid up front and will not begin until the first business day after membership had been successfully paid. Membership will last for 12 months from the day of invoicing.

4. Contact Information

The main office for Fenland SOIL is located at:

Highfield Barn, Barway Road, Barway, Ely Cambridgeshire CB7 5GT

To contact Fenland SOIL by phone: Mobile: 07761 753819 Office: 01353 727488

To contact Fenland SOIL by email; <u>m.hudson@fenlandsoil.org</u>

5. Your Information

Title:	Surname:	
First Name:	Address:	
Phone Number:		
Email Address:	Postcode:	

Please indicate below which band applies to your farm by ticking the correct box. Please note that farm size is determined by the area actively farmed. In this instance, actively farmed applies to the entire farmed area, regardless of ownership or croppable area:

Band A	Band B	Band C	Band D	Band E

Please indicate below how you would like us to contact you:

Phone	
Email	
SMS	
Post	

6. Conditions of Membership

As a member of the Fenland SOIL Farmer's Dialogue Group you will receive access to exclusive members-only events, updates on the latest data and research and access to private groups to act as a forum to facilitate peer learning, with full details of the benefits afforded to members detailed in Section 8. It is expected that this information will not be shared outside the group and will be treated as confidential. Any member of the group found to breach this confidentiality will have their membership revoked without refund.

Members have the right to discontinue their membership at any time but will not be refunded for any remaining time left on their membership. Membership will not renew automatically and will need to be reviewed and renewed on an annual basis.

7. Payment Options

Following receipt of your completed application we will invoice you for the correct amount, preferred method of payment is bank transfer, alternatively cheques made payable to Fenland Peat Committee can be sent via post to:

Fenland SOIL, Highfield Barn, Barway Road, Barway, Ely, CB7 5TZ

8. Membership Benefits

As a member of the Fenland Farmers dialogue group you will receive the following benefits:

- a. Access to data from Flux Tower sites that fall within the Fenland SOIL network.
- b. Working with researchers to improve mapping of the current soil types on your farm.
- c. Visits to sites across the Fens and beyond in order to learn from existing projects.
- d. Access to talks by leading industry experts, conservationists and other leading figures.
- e. Access to up-to-date research to inform decision making.
- f. Opportunity to feed into dialogue with local government and DEFRA to try to influence policy.
- g. Opportunity to feed into dialogue with water suppliers and IDBs to plan for better water management.
- h. Exclusive access to Whatsapp and other social media groups for idea sharing discussion advice and issue reporting.

I hereby agree that the information provided above is correct and give permission for Fenland SOIL to contact me regarding events, information and my membership using my preferred contact details. In signing up as a member of the Fenland Farmers Dialogue Group I agree to the Terms of Membership and Conditions outlined in this document.

Name:

Signed:

Date: