

Recent Research Projects on English and Welsh Commons

Commons research title	Contested Common Land Project
Research institution(s)	Newcastle University; Lancaster University
Lead researchers/coordinators	Prof Chris Rodgers & Dr Angus Winchester
Funding/comm./sponsoring body	Arts & Humanities Research Council
Duration of project	2006-2009
General area(s) covered	England and Wales
Case study areas	Cumbria, Yorkshire, Norfolk, Powys
Period covered	c1600-present
Website	http://commons.ncl.ac.uk
Outputs	LandNote, resources, papers, website, publications
Related publications	
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Topics	History, Law

Commons research title	English Heritage: Urban Commons Project
Research institution(s)	English Heritage: Landscape Investigation team
Lead researchers/coordinators	M. Bowden et al
Funding/comm./sponsoring body	English Heritage
Duration of project	2003
General area(s) covered	England
Case study areas	English towns incl Beverley, Doncaster, Hungerford, Lincoln, York
Period covered	Prehistory-contemporary
Website	http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/professional/research/landscapes-and-areas/archaeological-field-survey-and-investigation/urban-commons/
Outputs	Reports, publication
Related publications	Bowden et al., 2009. <i>An Archaeology of Town Commons in England: A very Fair Field Indeed</i> . Swindon: English Heritage.
Contact(s)	customers@english-heritage.org.uk
Topics	Archaeology, History

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Commons research title	The Common Lands of England: A Biological Survey
Research institution(s)	Rural Surveys Research Unit at University of Wales, Aberystwyth
Lead researchers/coordinators	John Aitchison (Director)
Funding/comm./sponsoring body	Nature Conservancy Council; Natural England; Defra
Duration of project	1988-2000
General area(s) covered	England
Case study areas	All English counties
Period covered	Contemporary
Website	http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/protected/commonland/biosurvey.htm
Outputs	Biological data, county reports, general report, publications
Related publications	Online county reports: http://www.defra.gov.uk/rural/protected/commonland/biosurvey.htm
Contact(s)	commonsandgreens@defra.gsi.gov.uk
Topics	Biology, Ecology

Commons research title	Trends in Pastoral Commoning
Research institution(s)	The Pastoral Commoning Partnership, c/o H & H Bowe Ltd, Carlisle
Lead researchers/coordinators	Andrew Humphries et al
Funding/comm./sponsoring body	Natural England
Duration of project	2008-2009
General area(s) covered	England and Wales
Case study areas	England and Wales
Period covered	Contemporary
Website	http://naturalengland.etraderstores.com/naturalenglandshop/product.aspx?ProductID=42fcc497-bc04-468d-b98e-196af5ce98a9
Outputs	Report - available online (PDF)
Related publications	Trends in Pastoral Commoning (Natural England Commissioned Report NECR001, 2009)
Contact(s)	
Topics	Agricultural Management, Commons Culture
