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Dear Shipton Parish Council,

## Yorkshire GREEN Local Community Fund now open for applications

As you may already be aware, Yorkshire GREEN is a major new electricity transmission project that will play a vital role in strengthening the UK's energy network. We've recently been engaging with local communities along the route to help shape our plans for delivering a meaningful community benefits programme that reflects local needs. Following this engagement and valuable input, I'm pleased to let you know that the Yorkshire GREEN Local Community Fund is now officially open for applications.

The fund has been created to support meaningful and lasting projects in the communities closest to our project.

Yorkshire GREEN involves the upgrade and reinforcement of the high-voltage electricity network in Yorkshire to improve the transfer of clean energy across the country. The project is a key part of The Great Grid Upgrade – the largest overhaul of the electricity transmission network across England and Wales in generations.

## About the Yorkshire GREEN Local Community Fund

Our local fund offers three different grant sizes to successful applicants:

- **Up to £20,000** - for projects involving capital works.
- **Up to £10,000** - for general community projects.
- **Up to £5,000** - for feasibility studies, including but not limited to renovation/new construction of a community building, disability access, energy usage reduction.

Community groups and residents can learn more about the application process and check their eligibility on our website.

## Who can apply?

We are welcoming applications from registered charities, non-profit companies, community benefit/mutual societies that do not operate for profit, and other constituted non-profit organisations operating for the wider benefit of the community.

We're looking to support projects that align with one or more of the following themes:

- Providing education and Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) opportunities
- Protecting the environment and ensuring access to green spaces
- Improving community spaces and saving energy
- Helping with the cost of living and employability
- Encouraging physical health and activity
- Supporting mental health and wellbeing

Eligible organisations may submit one application per year.

## How to apply?

Applicants can check their eligibility for the fund using our postcode checker and start their application using this link: [www.localgiving.org/yorkshire-green-local-community-fund](http://www.localgiving.org/yorkshire-green-local-community-fund).

Our community fund is being delivered with our partners at Localgiving, who are on hand to support with any questions by email: [help@Localgiving.org](mailto:help@Localgiving.org).

Our sincere gratitude goes out to all community representatives and organisations who delivered valuable feedback which helped to shape the local fund. We hope through the Yorkshire GREEN Local Community Fund we will be able to provide long-lasting and meaningful benefit to the communities near to the project.

If you have any questions or would like further information specifically relating to Yorkshire GREEN, please contact the project team by email at [yorkshiregreen@nationalgrid.com](mailto:yorkshiregreen@nationalgrid.com) or by calling **0800 008 7772**.

Yours sincerely,

**Martin McGready**

Yorkshire GREEN Project Director