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NY Highways begin to harness wind and solar power

NY Highways, our highways maintenance company, had off-grid power solutions installed at their Boroughbridge and Selby sites last week. The units harness wind and solar power, storing the energy, which will then be used to power some lighting and to charge equipment overnight, ready for staff to use in the morning. This initiative will help to decrease reliance on on-grid electricity, particularly with the increased costs associated with the current fuel crisis. If the units are successful at the two locations, there are plans to roll them out across the NY Highways network in the future.

North Yorkshire County Record Office appeal for Jubilee photos

Did you celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in North Yorkshire? The County Record Office is looking to create a permanent archive of how the Jubilee was celebrated across the county. If you would like to share your best images (up to a maximum of three) please get in touch with archives@northyorkshire.gov.uk for more information.

Locality Budgets scheme 2022/22

As I indicated at- our recent full Council meeting, the Locality Budget scheme will open to recommendations from County Councillors on Monday 13 June 2022.

Each County Councillor can recommend the allocation of funding to support specific projects or activities that directly promote the social, economic or environmental wellbeing of the communities within their Division. Projects and activities must be lawful and not undermine the Council's or a partner's priorities or service delivery.

Each County Councillor has a budget allocation of £10,000 a financial year. Budget allocations cannot be moved between financial years. The minimum funding which can be recommended for a project or activity is £300 and the maximum is £5,000. Two or more County Councillors can recommend funding for a single project or activity, but the maximum total funding from the overall Locality Budget scheme for any project or activity in a financial year is £5,000.

Please use the link below to find more details.

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