



Hello and welcome to an expanded edition of our community e-newsletter.

In our expanded editions we share good news stories from along the Yorkshire GREEN route, news from our contractor teams, updates on our Community Grant Programme and information about what we're building on the Yorkshire GREEN project.

If you've been on our mailing list for a while you will have received e-newsletters from us about localised traffic management and work on the ground. We will continue sharing shorter e-newsletters at regular intervals to keep you informed about the project's progress.

Please do share the sign-up link below for our e-newsletters with people in your networks.

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The launch of Yorkshire GREEN's Local Community Fund

We're excited to announce the launch of the Yorkshire GREEN Local Community Fund, which offers grants of up to £20,000 to support local and community-led initiatives.

We know our responsibility goes beyond safely building new energy infrastructure. We're committed to creating a secure, affordable and cleaner energy future and to making a lasting, positive impact in the communities where we work.

Yorkshire GREEN is one of the UK's first electricity transmission projects to launch a dedicated fund for local communities.

Can we help your community group?

Your organisation could be eligible for up to **£20,000** in funding to support projects that make a lasting difference in your community. Keep reading for more information.

The fund will provide grants to the following organisations and groups:

- registered charities, non-profits and social enterprises
- parish/town councils (for support with non-statutory projects)
- Parent Teacher Associations or 'Friends of' organisations associated with schools
- community benefit/mutual societies (non-profit, no habitual payment of dividends).

Grants are available for projects that address local community needs in one of the following themes:

- providing education and Science, Technology, Engineering and 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 supporting employability
- encouraging physical health and activity
- supporting mental health and wellbeing.

The grants available include:

- **up to £20,000** for projects involving capital works
- **up to £10,000** for other types of community projects
- **up to £5,000** for feasibility studies.

Funding is available during our construction period, which is expected to complete in 2028.

[Click here to find out more and apply](#)



Image of a community benefit initiative supported by National Grid.

Great grant news

Before the launch of Yorkshire GREEN's dedicated Local Community Fund, National Grid's central Community Grant Programme awarded funding to 13 organisations along the route. The combined value of these awards between November 2024 and October 2025 is over £200,000.

A focus on Shipton Space

Shipton Space is a community organisation based in Shipton by Beningbrough, located close to our new Shipton Tee and Overton Substation sites.

The organisation has recently been **awarded £20,000** through the Community Grant Programme to support a new running and walking track around Shipton Playing Fields and will provide key sports facilities for the local community.

The track will be used by a wide range of local community organisations and is designed for all ages and abilities.

Members of the Yorkshire GREEN project team attended the opening ceremony of the new track in October, alongside members of the local community and Shipton Parish Council.



Photograph of the new running track in Shipton.



The photograph on the left is of Paul (Senior Project Manager at National Grid), and John (Shipton Space). On the right is a photograph taken on the open ceremony of a local runner using the new running track.

Three other grants have recently been awarded along the Yorkshire GREEN route, including:

- Tadcaster Albion AFC for a new professional lawn mower
- Friends of Saxton School for a new forest school facility
- Selby Rugby Union Football Club for a new lighting system.

Pylon progress

You may have spotted our teams out and about along the route this year, assembling and installing new pylons. Some of these are replacing older ones, helping to modernise and strengthen the network. So far, **22 new pylons** (14 permanent and 8 temporary) have been installed, and all the foundations for the new pylons have now been constructed.

Temporary pylons keep power supplies running safely and efficiently while we build new permanent pylons and carry out work on existing ones.

These upgrades mean the overhead lines in some areas, will carry electricity at a higher voltage, boosting capacity to help meet future demand.

Next year, we'll continue to build new pylons and remove old and temporary ones. New wires will also be installed between the pylons to allow electricity to pass through once all works are complete.

Completion of the supergrid transformer deliveries

Between July and October, we have received delivery of eight supergrid transformers to our substation sites - four to Overton Substation and four to Monk Fryston Substation.

Supergrid transformers are large electrical devices used in substations to convert electricity into a higher or lower voltage. They are a very important part of our substations. They each weigh around 200 tonnes, which is equivalent to over 100 average sized cars.

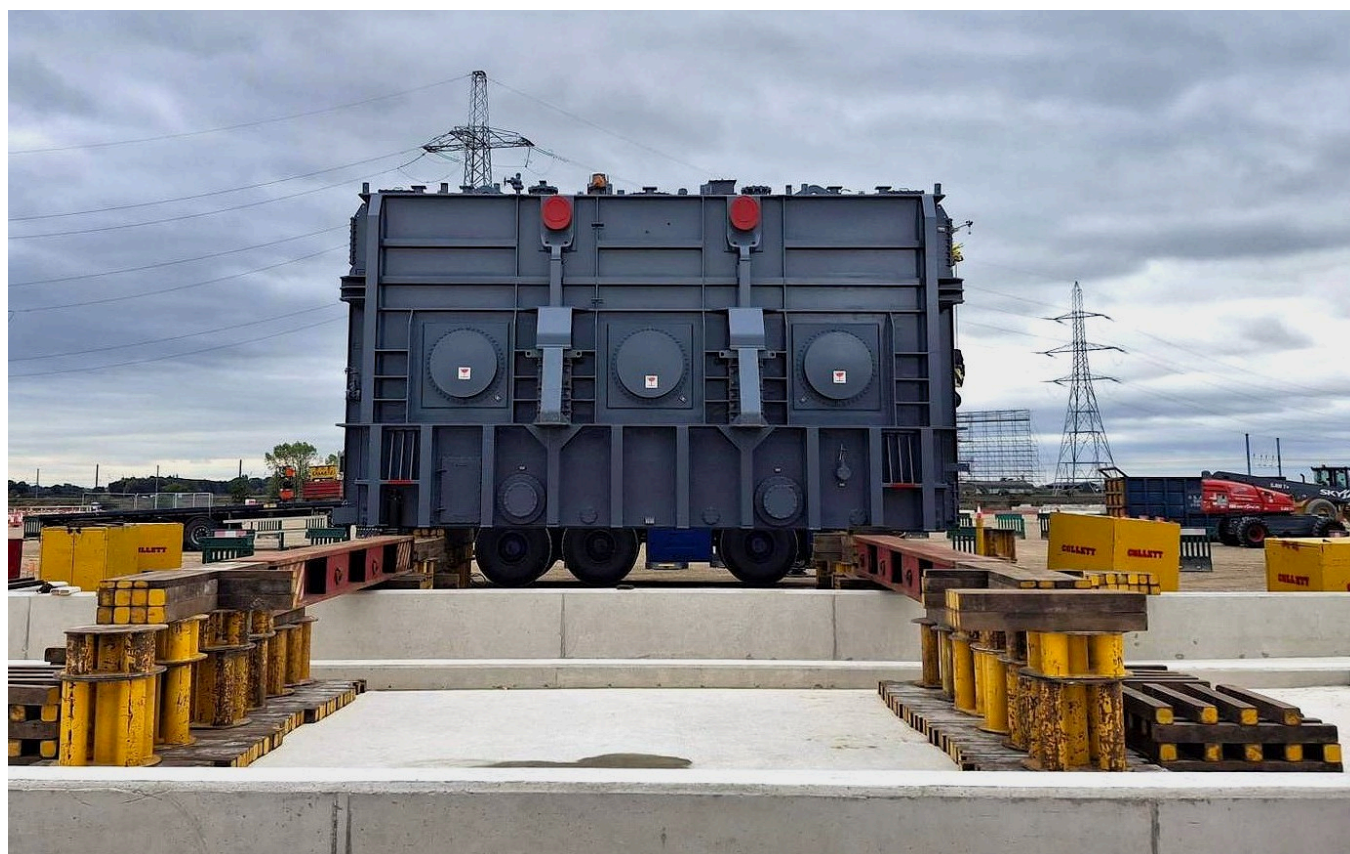
We would like to thank everyone for their patience while our specialist haulier teams delivered each of the transformers over the last few months.

What happens now?

With all transformers now delivered, installation is progressing across our two substation sites. Each supergrid transformer has its own custom-built platform, and specialist machinery is being used to carefully lift each supergrid transformer into place.

Purpose-built cooling systems have also been developed to keep the transformers safe and efficient by managing heat and protecting key components. The next stage will see these cooling systems connected to each unit.

Over the next year, work will continue to bring the supergrid transformers into full operation, including comprehensive maintenance and testing programmes.



Photograph of a supergrid transformer moving into its final position at Overton Substation.

A quick reminder: What Yorkshire GREEN is all about

Yorkshire GREEN is part of National Grid's Great Grid Upgrade, the largest overhaul of the electricity grid in generations.


The video below explains more about The Great Grid Upgrade and you can find out more information about Yorkshire GREEN by [clicking here](#)



Video explaining more about The Great Grid Upgrade.

Get in touch

If you can't find what you are looking for on our website or have any general questions or enquiries about the Yorkshire GREEN project, please don't hesitate to contact our dedicated Community Relations Team:

- Email: yorkshiregreen@nationalgrid.com
- Freephone: [0800 008 7772](tel:08000087772)  (monitored Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm, except bank holidays, with an answerphone facility outside of these hours)
- Write to: FREEPOST YORKSHIRE GREEN (no stamp needed).

Thank you for reading this e-newsletter. We will continue to share regular project updates, including the latest project news and works happening on the ground, via our regular e-newsletters.

The Yorkshire GREEN project's Community Relations Team



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