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Councillors and Members of Parliament in York and North Yorkshire

Dear Colleagues,

Mayor's Active Travel Fund – Community Funding

Yesterday, I launched the £1 million Community element of the Mayor's Active Travel Fund, empowering community groups in York and North Yorkshire to come forward with their ideas to improve walking, wheeling, and cycling in our region.

Walking, wheeling and cycling should be safer happier school run. It's fun, it's healthy, and it's precious quality time for children at the start and end of the day.

That's why I'm kickstarting a revolution in active travel. Through the Mayor's Active Travel Fund, I'm putting power into the hands of local people to create safer routes to build healthier, greener, and better-connected places for generations to come.

The funding forms part of a wider £4 million programme to double investment in walking, wheeling and cycling across the region. More than £2 million is already available to public bodies, including local councils, with successful applications due to be announced in the next few weeks.

The fund will support initiatives that; Improve walking routes; increase accessibility, such as installing dropped kerbs; build skills and confidence through cycle training or safe spaces to learn; encourage behaviour change, such as School Streets, bike buses and park and stride schemes; provide secure cycle storage.

Community organisations, businesses, charities and schools can apply before the deadline on Friday 10 April. Full guidance and an application form is available at:
yorknorthyorks-ca.gov.uk/project/mayors-active-travel-fund/

I would be grateful if you could share this information with any relevant organisations and contacts in the areas you represent.

Yours sincerely,

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