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Dear Sirs

Re: The Carnaby Windfarm Tree Planting Fund

As you may be aware, a £5,000 fund was made available by Intergrated Waste Management Limited in relation to the windfarm development at the Household Waste Recycling site, Moor Lane Carnaby. I can inform you that we are about to commence the process of welcoming formal applications from private and public landowners who wish to take advantage of this funding for the purposes of new tree, woodland and hedgerow planting in the area close to the development site. We envisage that schemes coming forward under this fund will be within an approximately 3-kilometre radius of the windfarm site.

For your information, I enclose a Guidance Note regarding this fund which sets out the broad principles by which it is intended to make funding awards under this scheme. This Guidance Note is intended to steer applicants towards bringing forward the types of proposals that will maximise the screening, wildlife and landscape benefits that new tree planting can bring to the surrounding area. We are informing all applicants that the deadline for the submission of applications for this funding will be 31 July 2020.

Once we have received all formal bids for funding under this scheme, we will then assess each application on its merits and allocate funding as appropriate. A small, informal Grant Panel will be established to oversee this process, and we hope to have representatives of some of the Parish and Town Councils in the area as members of this panel. We are aiming to make all decisions regarding funding by 30th September 2020.

In light of this process, I wish to ask your Parish Council to consider two matters: -

- Would your Town Council be interested in developing a proposal to take advantage of the support available under the Carnaby Windfarm Tree Planting Fund? If so, please contact me for further details regarding the process.

- Would your Town Council like to nominate a representative to participate on the Grant Panel that will oversee which proposals are supported under this scheme?

I hope that this information is of interest to your Parish Council and should you require any further information regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If it is your intention to apply for a grant under this programme, you can register online at <https://eastridingofyorkshirecouncil.flexigrant.com/default.aspx>, from where you will be able to find the relevant grant programme and all of the instructions and additional information you need to submit an application. Should you require any further information or help regarding the details that you need to submit as part of your application, or the fund in general, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will continue to update your Council on the progress of this grant programme in due course.

Yours faithfully

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