

#### Summary

Northern Powergrid Foundation is an independent charity established in 2022 to support communities across the North East, Yorkshire and northern Lincolnshire to build community resilience, tackle fuel poverty and develop net zero networks.







Poverty

Initially funded by a donation from Northern Powergrid, the electricity distribution network operator for the North East, Yorkshire and northern Lincolnshire, the Foundation has enduring plans to deliver sustained support to its communities as the energy landscape rapidly evolves.

#### APPLICATION TIPS

Research Northern Powergrid Foundation 1

Consider how your project fits the Foundation's priorities and apply for funds that the Foundation are in support of.

Reach out to successful applicants

Review the website material on previously successful projects and consider making contact with their leadership team to learn more.

Provide insights

Write concisely and make your pitch stand out by including information about your organisation, the community served and how the community will benefit from the project.

Use multiple eyes

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Ask several people to review your application before submitting to catch errors and to ensure your applications meets the grant guidelines.

Attach requested documents

Company documentation and itemised and in date quotations to be added to application.

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## Community Resilience



The Foundation has supported community resilience projects with funding for generators, solar panels and energy storage batteries.

Generators, solar panels and energy storage batteries come with their pros and cons and one solution may be more in favour of a community than another. Build your project with the best solution for your community's resilience problem(s).

Trustees can provide up to £20,000, so consider ways to maximise your grant application.

Don't forget to request funds for all aspects of the project, such as the assets, security and storage. Remember to add all quotes to the application.

#### KEY QUESTIONS

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#### What is your vision?

i.e. who is it for, what is the long term outlook (500 character limit)

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#### What is the purpose?

Include information on how the project may support the community in line with the Foundation's priority areas.

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#### How will the local community benefit?

Include information on the community demographics and how the community will benefit at a local and macro level.

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## What will the grant be funding?

Include high level and then itemised view on all items the funds will be used for.

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#### APPLICATION PROCESS

- Eligibility

  Check eligibility of project and organisation in order to apply.
- Apply
  Applicant to complete application through the online portal.
- Due diligence

  Foundation team to review all grant applications against set criteria.
- Trustee approval

  Trustees to perform grant-making decisions.

- Acceptance
  - Successful applicants to accept grant terms and conditions.
- Grants awarded

  Trustees to award grant funds.
- 7 Project delivery
  Applicant to deliver grant project activity.
- 8 Completion
  Applicant to compile a Project
  Completion Report for Trustees through
  the online portal.

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