

Local MP backs North Yorkshire Moors Railway 'Love your railway' campaign

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'Love Your Railway', the national campaign spearheaded by the North Yorkshire Moors Railway and supported by over 50 heritage railway organisations across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, has been given the backing of its local MP, Kevin Hollinrake.

Mr Hollinrake, MP for Thirsk and Malton, said: "I wholeheartedly support the Love Your Railway campaign, spearheaded by the North Yorkshire Moors Railway. This has been a hugely challenging time for heritage railway and tourism in general, so it is even more important we to continue to show support in any way we can.

"I'm pleased to see the Love Your Railway campaign is demonstrating there's so much more to heritage railways, including education, communities and sustainability, as well as supporting rural economies through employment and training of young people. I want to encourage families in North Yorkshire and the UK to visit their local heritage railway and support this hugely important campaign."

'Love Your Railway' is a six-week summer campaign running from July 26th to September 5th, which aims to shine a spotlight on not only the important work heritage railways do with regards to conservation,

education and research, but highlight how they have all been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in terms of reduced capacities and income.

The six themed weeks are: Heritage, Education, Volunteers, Family, Sustainability and Future.

Chris Price, General Manager at NYMR, said: “We’ve been overwhelmed with the support and response to our campaign – from our fellow heritage railways, the public and politicians; it’s great to see how much railways mean to people and how important it is that we continue preserve and conserve them for future generations.”

[Click here for more details about the campaign.](#)

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