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**ASHFORD JUBILEE 2022: A THANK YOU TO THE QUEEN ON FILM**

Funder Films CIC is delighted to announce a £6,500 grant from the Arts Council Let's Create Jubilee fund to work with young film-makers on a series of films about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations taking place in the borough of Ashford in May and June.

"There's so much happening," says managing director Jasper Bouverie, "So many people are putting in huge amounts of effort, preparing for the celebrations. This project is all about documenting all of that."

The young people selected to take part in the project will ideally be aged between 16 and 25 and will have some previous experience of film-making - even at an amateur 'few clips on YouTube' level. They will each be expected to attend a training session at the Picturehouse and will be paid £250 for their work. The intention is that all filming will be carried out using mobile phones, and tablets.

Funder Films has drawn up a provisional list of possible subjects for filming that includes the Ashford Tree Trail, the Queen's Green Canopy Initiative and the Big Lunch in Victoria Park. Outside of town, the company also intends to make contact with the groups in Tenterden, Woodchurch, Hamstreet and Wye.

"Obviously we have a few ideas about what we would like to be filmed," says Bouverie, "But we're also very open to the young people themselves having ideas about what they would like to do."

It is essential that participants are available in Ashford borough to film on the Jubilee weekend (June 3rd- 5th).

It is hoped that the films will all be put on local Facebook community groups and will be lodged with Ashford Museum so that future generations will be able to see how Ashford

celebrated the Jubilee in 2022. There are also plans to have a screening for participants at the Picturehouse.

Anyone interested in taking part should email Jasper Bouverie on [jasper@funderfilms.com](mailto:jasper@funderfilms.com) with details of interest and experience in film-making and ideas as to what might make a good subject to film for the project. (Don't worry if you can't think of anything. We can supply you with an idea and with contacts.)

It would also be good if applicants were able to include a short example of their film work. Applications must be submitted by 5 pm on Friday April 22nd.

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**Notes: For more information on the project please contact Jasper Bouverie on 07515861589 or [jasper@funderfilms.com](mailto:jasper@funderfilms.com)**

## NOTES



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• Founded in 2014 by former BBC radio producer Jasper Bouverie. Formerly Jasper produced a range of programmes for BBC Radio 4 and BBC World Service

- Funder Films CIC has produced video for a variety of clients: the University of Kent, Palmstead Plants, Kent AONB, Natural England, AgeUK.
- The company has also secured grants to run a number of community projects: *Finding Ella Harling* and *Wye Chilham Chartham: Scene from the Train* for the Heritage Lottery; *A Few Words About Me* and *Dear Ashford Alabama* for the Kent Community Foundation and Awards for All; and *Rex – Taking the Issue of Anorexia* into Schools for Kent County Council.
- During the pandemic, Funder Films has worked on two participatory films – *Mayday* *Mayday: life in lockdown and beyond* and the *Ashford100buildings* project.
- Funder Films CIC has also carried out video training for teenagers on behalf of the Kentish Stour Countryside Project (*Our Stour*).



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