

## Highlands and Islands Enterprise Approvals List January - March 2024

This approvals list for Highlands and Islands Enterprise provides details on financial assistance awarded to businesses, community groups, public sector partners and other organisations to deliver specific projects. The list also provides details on projects that are led and managed by HIE itself, sometimes in partnership with other organisations.

This approvals list is correct at 30<sup>th</sup> April any subsequent changes or amendments to projects since this date may not be reflected in this report.

Please note that under the UK's Subsidy Control regime requirements, HIE also reports all subsidy awards that exceed £100,000 in subsidy value through the UK Subsidy Transparency Database. These are registered no later than three months after the date of award. Details can be found at the following link <https://searchforuksubsidies.beis.gov.uk>

Please note that the sums relate to approvals made within the period (or in a previous period which had been previously withheld for reasons of commercial sensitivity), not payments or subsidy. The approval simply shows that funds have been made available, but they will not be released until evidence is received which shows that the project or activity has gone ahead as planned. In addition, draw down of funds will be conditional on appropriate legal terms and conditions being agreed between HIE and the applicant and satisfaction of any pre-payment conditions.

Directorate	Client	Project Title	GIA	Conduit Funding
Argyll & the Islands	AltaRange Ltd	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		14,000
Argyll & the Islands	Beinn an Tuirc Distillers Ltd	Events Investment	21,740	
Argyll & the Islands	Beinn an Tuirc Distillers Ltd	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund - Product Development		4,922
Argyll & the Islands	Cearban Ltd t/a Basking Shark Scotland	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		14,000
Argyll & the Islands	Easy Empty Bag	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund - Innovation		5,000
Argyll & the Islands	Fynewood Limited	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		14,000
Argyll & the Islands	Project Trust	Project Trust Infrastructure Improvements	100,000	
Argyll & the Islands	Stuart Livingstone Joinery Ltd	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		14,000
Argyll & the Islands	Wyvex Media Limited	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		12,500
Business Improvement and Internal Audit	HIE Own Hand	Business Transformation Resourcing costs 2024 25	195,000	
Business Improvement and Internal Audit	HIE Own Hand	Collaboration Support Resourcing Costs 2024 25	70,000	

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Business Improvement and Internal Audit	HIE Own Hand	MyHIE Development 2024/25	230,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	Assynt Development Trust	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	8,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	Dunnet Bay Distillers Ltd	2024 Establishment of a whisky distillery within the Castletown Mill	250,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	Envision Engineering & Design Ltd	Investment in 3D Modelling Equipment	6,390	
Caithness & Sutherland	HIE Own Hand	Support for Community Partnership Development	5,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	HIE Own Hand	Focus North Project Support Costs	10,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	John O'Groats Mill Trust	JoG Mill Redevelopment	250,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	Kyle of Sutherland Development Trust	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	5,400	
Caithness & Sutherland	NCD 1 Ltd	Business Expansion	61,250	
Caithness & Sutherland	Reid's Bakery (Thurso) Ltd	2024 Investment in specialised equipment	94,700	
Caithness & Sutherland	Scourie Community Development Company Limited	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	4,802	
Enterprise and Community Support	An Comunn Gaidhealach - Head Office	GDPR Support	1,500	
Enterprise and Community Support	Ceolas Uibhist Limited	Governance and HR Support	3,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Colonsay Community Development Company	Community Right to Buy Programme	4,336	
Enterprise and Community Support	Communities Housing Trust	Northern Innovation Hub Technology Placement Programme		15,750
Enterprise and Community Support	Culloden Foods Limited t/a Harry Gow	Consultancy Support - Net Zero Strategy	4,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Cultarlann Inbhir Nis	Purchase Legal Fees	2,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Dunvegan Community Trust SCIO	Community Asset Knowledge Exchange	440	
Enterprise and Community Support	Glen Mhor Hotel	Green Grant Fund	140,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	HIE Own Hand	HIE Enterprise Support Directorate Memberships 2024-25	10,311	
Enterprise and Community Support	HIE Own Hand	Digital Content Accelerator	20,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Holdfast Marine Solutions	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Innovation Grant Holdfast ROV project	15,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Lochaber Hope	Northern Innovation Hub Technology Placement Programme		15,822
Enterprise and Community Support	Morvern Community Woodlands	Community Asset Knowledge Exchange Programme 2023-26	1,625	
Enterprise and Community Support	Munro Accounting Services Ltd	Northern Innovation Hub Technology Placement Programme		15,600
Enterprise and Community Support	Roderick Wyness t/a Puffin Coffee	Cycling Tourism Facilities Fund	5,125	

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Enterprise and Community Support	Seaweed Services Ltd	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Specialist Advice Follow on IP Audit Funding	5,000	
Enterprise and Community Support	Spirit Journeys Ltd ta Spirit Journeys Worldwide	Northern Innovation Hub Technology Placement Programme		13,500
Enterprise and Community Support	Staffin Community Trust Limited	Community Asset Knowledge Exchange Programme 2023-26	1,012	
Enterprise and Community Support	Tighnabruaich District Development Trust	Community Asset Knowledge Exchange Programme 2023-26	598	
Enterprise and Community Support	Toncam Flooring & Interiors Ltd	Cycling Tourism Facilities Fund	5,062	
Enterprise and Community Support	University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI)	Inverness Campus Collaboration Fund 2024 - Protein Detection Project	10,970	
Enterprise and Community Support	University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI)	Inverness Campus Collaboration Fund 2024 - Canine Cancer project with SRUC, Scot Vet and MI:RNA	13,085	
Enterprise and Community Support	Visitor Centres Ltd	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Innovation Specialist Advice	5,000	
Finance and Corporate Services	HIE Own Hand	Quarterly upload and categorisation of spend data to the Scottish Government Observatory Hub portal	2,150	
Finance and Corporate Services	HIE Own Hand	Audit Scotland Fees 2023-24	200,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Cairngorm Housing Partnership	Affordable Housing Development Consultancy	5,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Carrie Forbes t/a Carrie's Voice	Purchase of Capital Equipment	19,439	
Inner Moray Firth	Cultarlann Inbhir Nis	Digital and audio Infrastructure	9,037	
Inner Moray Firth	Daffys Gin Limited	End to End Production Facility and Visitor Centre	79,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Highland Print Studio HQ	Upgrade and enhancement of Etching Press and Digital Suite	16,310	
Inner Moray Firth	Inverness Harbour Trust	Marketing to attract new companies	3,000	
Inner Moray Firth	John Gordon and Son Ltd	Gang Saw Project 2023	150,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Loch Ness Coffee Company	Industrial Freezers	49,340	
Inner Moray Firth	Nigg Skills Academy	Business Review	6,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Ri Cruden Ltd	Green Jobs Fund - Renewable Energy Hub	75,000	
Inner Moray Firth	The Spey Foundation	Spey Fishery Board Digital Infrastructure Project	5,000	
Inner Moray Firth	The WASPS Trust	Inverness Creative Academy - Refurbishment Project	9,195	
Inner Moray Firth	Trees for Life	Transport Decarbonisation Projects	18,258	
Inner Moray Firth	Wilderness Group Ltd	Bike equipment and premises upgrades	26,134	

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Innse Gall	Cothrom	Strategic Review	5,700	
Innse Gall	HIE Own Hand	HIE Gaelic Plan Activities 2023/24	6,000	
Innse Gall	Great Bernera Community Development Trust	Bernera Community Pontoon	3,990	
Innse Gall	Isle of Harris Brewery Ltd	Fit out of new brewery premises & brewing equipment	39,928	
Innse Gall	Macmillan Spirits t/a The Uist Distilling Company Ltd	Green Jobs Fund – Establishment of new distillery at Gramsdale	£851,000	
Innse Gall	Modular West Limited	Factory expansion	211,000	
Innse Gall	Urras Oighreachd Ghabhsainn (Galson Estate Trust)	Community Tourism Infrastructure	13,792	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Applecross Community Company	Camusterrach Church renovation Phase 1	21,494	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Gael Force Group Ltd	Kishorn Pen Line	102,300	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Glencoe Mountain Limited	Capital Investment Project 2024	173,300	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Kishorn Port Limited	Dry Dock Development	220,000	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Norma Young & Allistair Young t/a Staffin Caravan & Camping Site	Campsite Development	6,265	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Northern Engineering and Welding Co Ltd	Extension of Workshop	172,700	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Portree Campsite Ltd	Campsite Development	13,960	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Raasay Development Trust Limited	Delivery Resource Raasay LDO 2024-25	9,449	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Spean Bridge, Roy Bridge & Achnacarry SCIO	Delivery Resource 2024-2026	20,000	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	The Ardnamurchan Lighthouse Trust	Keepers Cottages Phase 1 renovation works	13,206	
Lochaber Skye and Wester Ross	Wickman Hotels Limited	Productivity and Efficiency Development - Cuillin Hills Hotel	69,785	
Moray	Agropack Solutions Limited	Diversification into Manufacturing	76,399	
Moray	Dufftown and District Community Association	Delivery Resource Feb 2024 - March 2025	9,674	
Moray	Forres Area Community Trust (FACT)	Delivery Resource April 2024 - March 2025	16,000	
Moray	Lossiemouth Community Development Trust	Delivery Resource April 2024 - March 2025	17,600	
Moray	Portgordon Community Trust Limited	Delivery Resource April 2024 - March 2025	10,438	
Moray	Tomintoul & Glenlivet Development Trust	Delivery Resource April 2024 - March 2025	16,000	
Orkney	North Ronaldsay Trust	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	9,200	

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Orkney	Orbital Marine Power Ltd	Working Capital Support	500,000	
Orkney	Papay Development Trust	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	9,000	
Orkney	Rousay Egilsay and Wyre Development Trust	Funding for Community/Public Space	7,500	
Orkney	Sanday Development Trust	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	5,200	
Orkney	Shapinsay Development Trust HQ	Shapinsay Charity Shop and Reuse Centre	15,000	
Orkney	Shapinsay Development Trust HQ	Delivery Resource Programme 2024-25	8,000	
Shetland	Fetlar Community Association	Community Asset Upgrade	23,000	
Shetland	Foula Electricity Trust	Additional Battery Bank and Generator	70,712	
Shetland	Frankies Shetland Isles Ltd	Solar Energy System	25,524	
Shetland	Ocean Kinetics Limited	Capital Equipment Investment	29,030	
Shetland	Shetland Arts Development Agency	Training Programme	14,092	
Shetland	Shetland Jewellery	Workshop Improvements and Equipment	6,650	
Strategic Projects	Cairngorm Mountain (Scotland) Ltd	CMSL grant April 2023-March 2024	1,202,779	
Strategic Projects	Community Energy Scotland	Repowering Workshop	5,000	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Solasta House First Floor Redesign	45,780	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Small Business Units Wick Business Park Phase 2 (Conclusion of Design)	36,000	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Small Business Units Broadford Phase 2 (Stage 4 Design & Consenting)	60,000	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	HIE Property Factoring 2024/25	1,792,095	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Cairngorm Mountain Ranger Service 2023-2026	331,000	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Cairngorm Mountain Legacy Works 2023-2026	160,000	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Arnish - removal of shot blast waste from Arnish Point Industrial Estate	956,452	
Strategic Projects	Scottish Enterprise - HQ	Offshore Wind Supply Chain Success Project	152,830	
Strategic Projects	Scottish Enterprise - HQ	All-Energy 2024-2026	75,000	
Strategic Projects	Sniffer	Highland Adapts - Sniffer	20,000	

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Strategy and Regional Economy	HIE Own Hand	Scotland Europa Membership 2023/24	12,000	
Strategy and Regional Economy	HIE Own Hand	Regional Transformational Opportunities in the Highlands and Islands	44,000	
Strategy and Regional Economy	HIE Own Hand	Data and Analytics Platform Continuous Improvement 2024-25	109,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	Mocean Energy Limited	PTO Drive Train Alternatives	105,040	
Wave Energy Scotland	Quocean Limited	Readiness and Certification for Q-Connect	61,640	
Wave Energy Scotland	WES Own Hand	Supergen Collaborative Research	99,221	

Net GIA

HIE's Grant in Aid contribution

Conduit Funding

Other funding administered through HIE

## Appendix 2 - Other support awarded

This approvals list for Highlands and Islands Enterprise provides details on activity where HIE contracts with a third-party supplier to provide support and advice to businesses, community groups, public sector partners and other organisations. In these cases, although this support comes at a cost to HIE, the payment is not to the client, but to a third-party supplier.

Please note that the indicative costs relate to approvals, and not actual costs incurred. The approval simply shows that support/advice has been made available to a client. Activity will be conditional on appropriate legal terms and conditions being agreed between HIE and the applicant. Actual costs of this will not be known until such stage as the activity is completed.

Account	Project Title	Indicative cost to HIE
<b>Directorate – Enterprise &amp; Community Support</b>		
Feis Rois Ltd	Fair Work Programme	680
Conicality Ltd	EAS - Conicality Ltd	840
Shetland Times Ltd	EAS - Shetland Times Ltd	840
Great Glen Charcuterie Ltd	EAS - Great Glen Charcuterie Ltd	840
Vivid Roots Collective	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Skye Bloom	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Moonshine Candle Co. / Orkney Organics	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
The Skin Edition. Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Innovating Hospitality Limited	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Jacks Alt-Stays Millport Limited	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Skye EBikes	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Astar Media Ltd	IMPACT 30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Sew Belle Designs	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Dookers	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Sutherland Adventure Company Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Etive Photography	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Jack Spowart Illustration	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Euan Jarvis Personal Training	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500

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Juniper Fox Designs Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Celebrations by Claire	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
The Caithness Aromatics Co.	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Pop-up Podiatry	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC	6,500
Kirsty Currie Designs	IMPACT 30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
The Wee Cottage Kitchen	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - Non-HC Area	6,500
CHANCE Recruitment	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Wild Anam	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Rona The Human Celebrant	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Oh Crumbs Bakeaway	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
AliMac Candles	IMPACT30 - Cohort 12 - HC Area	6,500
Lighten The Load	Business to Healthcare	2,500
Taigh Chearsabhair Trust	Strategy Review and Development of New Strategic Development Plan	4,999
DELPHI Medical Services Ltd	Business to Healthcare	2,500
Tuminds Ltd	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	2,600
Elchies Estate	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	2,676
Ross-shire Engineering Limited	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	5,200
Norscot Joinery Ltd	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	3,162
Celnor Eco Packaging Limited	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	2,600
Element HGR Ltd	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	2,600
Shetland Jewellery	New Product Development Programme - Cohort 2	4,773
Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust	Options Appraisal - Gigha Hotel	9,700
VanFill	Food and Drink TechHUB	2,500
Isle of Skye Sea Salt Company Ltd	Food and Drink TechHUB	2,500
Canna Kitchen	Food and Drink TechHUB	2,500
KBE Event Services	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	6,500
Hebridean Charcuterie from Croft No.9 Ltd	EAS - Hebridean Charcuterie from the Croft No.9 Ltd	840
True Voice Creations	Business to Healthcare	2,500
The West Harris Trust	Fair Work Programme	680
Dark Island Limited	Fair Work Programme	680



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Good Nude Food Ltd	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Scottish Edge Support R22	1,500
Columba 1400	Fair Work Programme	680
Diesel Outboards Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - HC Area	6,500
Stroven Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Mini Golf Island	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - Non-HC Area	6,500
Dorian Braun Coaching	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	6,500
The Hungry Gull	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - HC Area	6,500
Drunken Hound Brewery Ltd	Food and Drink TechHUB	2,500