

Highlands and Islands Enterprise Approvals List October - December 2023

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.

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, 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	SAMS Enterprise	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Graduate Placement		£10,815
Argyll & the Islands	Ocean Ecology	eDNA Lab Build	£21,642	
Argyll & the Islands	Island Bakery Organics Ltd	Post Covid Expansion and Productivity Project	£78,200	
Argyll & the Islands	Wreckspeditions Dive Charters Ltd	Argyll Shared Prosperity Fund Innovation Learning Journey		£2,092
Argyll & the Islands	Tiree Music Festival	Carbon Reduction Measures	£30,807	
Caithness & Sutherland	NCD 1 Ltd	Trade Fair	£2,400	
Caithness & Sutherland	Highland Stoneware (Scotland) Ltd	Specialist Equipment	£11,000	
Caithness & Sutherland	GMG Energy Ltd	GMG 2023 Expansion	£65,200	
Communities and Place	HIE Own Hand	Inverness Campus - Infrastructure and Road Safety Improvements - Design & Consent	£449,999	
Communities and Place	Southwest Mull and Iona Development	Community Assets Knowledge Exchange 2023-26	£547	
Enterprise Support	A & P Chambers Ltd	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 R&D GlenGo Development	£100,000	
Enterprise Support	Alex Munro	Cycling Tourism Facilities Fund	£12,500	
Enterprise Support	Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative Ltd	Specialist Advice	£6,000	
Enterprise Support	Badachro Distillery Ltd	Specialist Advice	£2,850	

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Enterprise Support	Black Isle Brewery	Green Grant Fund - CO2 Capture	£48,785	
Enterprise Support	The Cairngorm Brewery Company Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Production Efficiency Equipment and Automation Systems	£142,028	
Enterprise Support	Cairngorm Canoeing & Sailing School	Northern Innovation Hub - Technology Placement Programme		£14,742
Enterprise Support	Celnor Eco Packaging Limited	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Eco packaging development	£9,117	
Enterprise Support	Columba 1400	Specialist Advice	£3,000	
Enterprise Support	Dark Island Limited	Green Grant Fund and Net Zero Investment	£40,158	
Enterprise Support	Day1 Ltd	Green Grant Fund	£150,000	
Enterprise Support	Different Roads Management Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Capital Investment	£117,233	
Enterprise Support	Doone Here Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Capital Investment	£28,688	
Enterprise Support	Drum Hotel Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Efficient Heating Improvements	£125,802	
Enterprise Support	Dunoon Burgh Hall Trust	Green Grant Fund	£26,698	
Enterprise Support	Forres Area Community Trust (FACT)	Green Grant Fund	£150,000	
Enterprise Support	HIE Own Hand	Export Advisory Service Programme	£49,896	
Enterprise Support	Highland Farm Holdings Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Energy Efficiency Project	£25,000	
Enterprise Support	Highland Fine Cheeses Limited	Upgrading of cheese making equipment	£149,367	
Enterprise Support	Impact Hub Inverness	Northern Innovation Hub - Technology Placement Programme		£16,100
Enterprise Support	CapGemini UK Plc	Infrastructure Support for Development of Technology Showcasing and Training Facility	£100,000	
Enterprise Support	Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Capital Investment	£36,709	
Enterprise Support	J & A Mitchell and Company Limited	Green Grant Fund	£57,700	
Enterprise Support	Lochranza Centre CIC	Green Grant Fund	£44,725	
Enterprise Support	Manor Hotel (Stornoway) Ltd	Green Grant Fund and Net Zero Investment	£33,510	
Enterprise Support	Messers Lamont T/A Mackays Hotel	Green Grant Fund	£35,000	
Enterprise Support	Midton Acrylics Ltd	Green Grant Fund	£33,150	
Enterprise Support	New Start Highland	Green Grant Fund - Go To Green	£28,380	
Enterprise Support	Nigel Robson & Susan Robson t/a The Invergarry Hotel	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Capital Investment	£29,355	
Enterprise Support	Northton Heritage Trust	Green Grant Fund	£107,000	

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Enterprise Support	Perfect Manors (Achnagairn House)	Green Grant Fund - Energy Efficiency Project	£71,000	
Enterprise Support	Proterra Energy Ltd	Northern Innovation Hub - Technology Placement Programme		£15,600
Enterprise Support	Rachael Robertson	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Capital Investment	£56,600	
Enterprise Support	Ri Cruden Ltd	Northern Innovation Hub - Technology Placement Programme		£14,400
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Enterprise Support	Royal Hotel (Stornoway) Ltd	Green Grant Fund and Net Zero Investment	£31,605	
Enterprise Support	SeaDyes Ltd	Innovation Knowledge Transfer 3 Specialist Advice Follow on IP Audit Funding SeaDyes Ltd	£5,000	
Enterprise Support	Seaforth Hotel (Stornoway) Ltd	Green Grant Fund and Net Zero Investment	£79,076	
Enterprise Support	Shetland Livestock Marketing Group	Green Grant Fund - Wind Turbines and Heating System	£61,114	
Enterprise Support	Stockan's Oatcakes Ltd	Green Grant Fund	£87,500	
Enterprise Support	The Corrie Hotel	Green Grant Fund	£52,753	
Enterprise Support	The Ledge	Green Grant Fund - Heat Pumps Installation	£41,652	
Enterprise Support	Trees for Life	Green Grant Fund - Trees for Life - Electric Minibus	£37,500	
Enterprise Support	Wilderness Group Ltd	Green Grant Fund - Carbon Reduction Infrastructure	£16,991	
Executive Office	HIE Own Hand	FOI and EIR Consultancy 23-27	£45,600	
Executive Office	HIE Own Hand	Conflict of Interest Advice	£3,750	
Executive Office	HIE Own Hand	Political Monitoring Service September 2023 – August 2025	£30,000	
Finance and Corporate Services	HIE Own Hand	Objective Nexus (Software as a Service) Implementation and Gov365 MS Teams integration	£65,395	
Inner Moray Firth	A W Laing Ltd	Business growth from manufacturing expansion	£257,107	
Inner Moray Firth	C J Middleton Ltd	Capital investment in production equipment	£30,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Cultarlann Inbhir Nis	Gaelic Centre at East Church Inverness	£176,800	
Inner Moray Firth	D.C Thomson & Company Limited	Support for Scottish Golf Tourism Week	£6,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Robert Mackenzie	Pitcalzean Farm – Support towards bringing agricultural land forward for development as an industrial site within Inverness and Cromarty Firth Green Freeport	£149,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Sumitomo Electrical UK Power Cables Ltd	HVDC Factory at Pitcalzean Nigg	£24,500,000	
Inner Moray Firth	Suzanne Dowden t/a Speyside Wildlife	Support For Employment	£9,360	

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Innse Gall	HIE Own Hand	Support for Communities Framework - Consultancy Costs	£2,300	
Innse Gall	North Uist Distillery Ltd	Energy Efficiency Measures	£114,580	
Innse Gall	Northton Heritage Trust	Advance project through RIBA 4	£55,000	
Innse Gall	Scalpay Community Association	Scalpay Community Tourism Infrastructure	£27,276	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Edinbane Lodge Limited	Business Expansion	£77,375	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Glencoe Mountain Limited	Capital Investment	£30,000	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Glenfinnan House Hotel Management Ltd	Development of Glenfinnan House Hotel 2023	£175,900	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Kilmuir Community Trust	Kilmuir Community Hub - Phase 1 Capital Works	£133,312	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Raasay Community Association (Comunn Muinntir Ratharsair)	Hall Energy Efficiency 2023	£23,954	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	Sabhal Mor Ostaig	Fas Phase 2 Development	£45,746	
Lochaber, Skye and Wester Ross	The Knoydart Foundation	Ranger Station and Bicycle Hub	£12,765	
Moray	AES Limited	AES Factory Redevelopment	£83,212	
Moray	AES Limited	Moray Graduate Placement Scheme		£13,000
Moray	HIE Own Hand	Horizon Scotland Management Services Contract 2024 - 2026	£78,000	
Moray	Logie Timber	Moray Graduate Placement Scheme		£13,728
Moray	Macnaughton Holdings Limited	Research and Development - Tartan Looms	£194,820	
Moray	QHS Scotland Ltd	Capital Expenditure Investment	£110,500	
Moray	The Cabrach Trust	Production Facility/Infrastructure	£500,000	
Orkney	Deerness Distillery Ltd	Expansion of Production Facilities and Tourism Offer	£246,000	
Orkney	European Marine Energy Centre Ltd	AFLOWT Extension - Floating Offshore Wind Test Site Design	£282,000	
Orkney	North Ronaldsay Trust	Post Acquisition Development of Trebb - phase 1	£95,000	
Orkney	Orkney Food & Drink	OFD costs 2023-26	£28,200	
Shetland	L & M Engineering	Capital Equipment Investment	£58,915	
Shetland	Lerwick Distillery Limited	Establishment of Whisky Distillery	£250,000	
Shetland	Ninian Shetland Limited	New Knitting Machine and Premises Adaptation	£50,318	
Shetland	Shetland Architectural Society	Passivhaus Training Project	£7,883	
Shetland	Shetland Composites Limited	Specialist Advice	£6,750	

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Shetland	Shetland Times Ltd HQ	Specialist Advice	£14,085	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	Carbon Neutral Islands Investment Strategies	£65,547	
Strategic Projects	HIE Own Hand	OSW Supply Chain Success Project	£193,970	
Strategy & Regional Economy	HIE Own Hand	Survey Software Tool	£3,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	AWS Ocean Energy Ltd	Direct Generation Concept Creation Competition	£49,875	
Wave Energy Scotland	Blackfish Engineering Design Ltd	Quick Connection System: At-sea testing	£174,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	Highland Design Engineering Limited t/a 4c Engineering	Direct Generation Concept Creation Competition	£50,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	TTI Marine Renewables	Direct Generation Concept Creation Competition	£50,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	University of Southampton	Direct Generation Concept Creation Competition	£50,000	
Wave Energy Scotland	Wave Mining Solutions Ltd t/a WaveX	Direct Generation Concept Creation Competition	£50,000	

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.

Directorate	Account	Project Title	Indicative cost to HIE
Enterprise Support	TL Tech Ltd (Kinspace)	Business to Healthcare	£2,500
Enterprise Support	Oregano Mobile Catering	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	The Highland Coffee Academy	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Yoga For Life Hebrides	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Rhiannon Dempsey Photography	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	True Voice Creations	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Aspire Virtual Services	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	RJS Print	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	ATomTours	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Broken Spectre	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Finlay Carmichael PT	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Macaulay Travels	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Iva_did_this	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Skye Mountaineering	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Van Der Punt	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Beyond the Water	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Isle of Riso Designs	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	DramConsulting Ltd	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Heart's Frontier/Healing Spaces	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Seasonal Flavour	IMPACT30 - Cohort 11 - Non-HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	The Highland Weigh	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	Paradajz Records	IMPACT30 - Cohort 10 - HC Area	£6,500
Enterprise Support	The Oxygen Works Ltd	Support for Communities Framework - Social Impact Measurement	£4,200
Enterprise Support	The Oxygen Works Ltd	Support for Communities Framework - Financial Systems & Forecasting	£4,800

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Enterprise Support	Helmsdale and District Development Trust	Support for Communities Framework - Community Consultation and Strategy Review	£6,926
Enterprise Support	Taigh Chearsabhagh Trust	Fair Work programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Drink Loch Ness Ltd t/a 126 Water	Export Advisory Service - 126 Water	£840
Enterprise Support	MYXD Scottish Cocktails Ltd	Export Advisory Service - MYXD Scottish Cocktails Ltd	£840
Enterprise Support	Candles from the Croft	Export Advisory Service - Candles from the Croft	£840
Enterprise Support	Deerness Distillery Ltd	Export Advisory Service - Deerness Distillery Ltd	£840
Enterprise Support	Southwest Mull and Iona Development	Support for Communities Framework - Review of Seaweed Farm Operation	£9,999
Enterprise Support	Badenoch & Strathspey Community ConneXions	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Shearer Investments Ltd	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	North Harris Trust	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Strathpeffer Community Development Trust	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Southwest Mull and Iona Development	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Highland Print Studio HQ	Fair Work Programme	£680
Enterprise Support	Scottish Association for Marine Science HQ	Fair Work Programme	£680
Innse Gall	Community Land Outer Hebrides	Support for Communities Framework - Funding Strategy	£7,100

This approvals list is correct as at 25th January 2024 any subsequent changes or amendments to projects since this date will not be reflected in this report.

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Conduit Funding

HIE's Grant in Aid contribution

Other funding administered through HIE