

Funding our Heritage

The role of Highlands and Islands Enterprise and The Scottish Land Fund

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The role of Highlands and Islands Enterprise

- An Enterprise Agency of Scottish Government
- Established in 1965
- Over 50 years experience of working with businesses and communities to improve the H&I as a place to live, work, study and invest
- HIE focusses on investing in our communities, our businesses and our infrastructure



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HIE's 4 priorities

- Supporting businesses and social enterprises to shape and realise their growth aspirations
- Strengthening communities and fragile areas
- Developing growth sectors, particularly distinctive regional opportunities
- Creating the conditions for a competitive and low carbon region



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The built and natural heritage of the H&I region is a key asset to making the region an attractive place to work, study, invest and live

Investment enables the region to attract and retain business and strengthen our social and economic base

We achieve this through:

- Investing in built heritage projects
- Supporting communities to acquire and develop heritage assets
- Supporting the social enterprise sector
- Strengthening cultural development opportunities for young people
- Supporting heritage tourism infrastructure



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Dunoon Burgh Hall



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Rothesay Pavilion



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Campbeltown Picture House



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Nouster Kelp Store – Arts Crafts and Heritage
Centre, Papay



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Other recent projects

- Tomintoul and Glenlivet Landscape Partnership
- Northern Isles Landscape Partnership
- Ceolas – Gaelic music and dance centre, Uist
- Callanish Visitor Centre
- Lews Castle development
- Cultural hubs at Carloway and Bragar and Arnol
- Rockfield Oban
- Kilamartin Glen and Museum



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HIE's investment will be in projects that:

- Have strong partnership support
- Have match funding secured/ in application
- Deliver economic outcomes
- Can demonstrate strong community support
- Create regenerative impacts



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A Long Term Partnership

15 Years of joint work supporting and funding communities to buy, develop and manage community assets.

£90 Million of grants to date distributed through the partnership

The UK's largest grant maker working with the UK's most effective and experienced community asset development organisation



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- SLF II
- 54 awards made
- £10,200,000 distributed
- 90,000 acres plus in community ownership



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- SLF III to date
- £10m pa commitment from SG
- 2016-2020
- 147 requests for support
- 54 approved at Stage 1
- 32 approved at Stage 2
- 178 projects in the pipeline

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Applicant eligibility

- Geographic community
- Social purpose
- Community led and controlled
- Open membership
- Non profit distributing

Outcomes - Our communities will:

- Achieve more sustainable economic, environmental and/or social development through ownership of land and buildings.
- Have a stronger role in and control over their own development.
- Own well managed, financially sustainable land and buildings.



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Capital support

- Increased to maximum of £1m
- Exceptional circumstances provision
- Legal and other fees associated with acquisition



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Revenue support

- Feedback from clients and evidence from successful projects
- Disparity of support across Scotland
- The hard work starts on the day of acquisition



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Successful projects need:

- Committed volunteers and Board
- Supportive and engaged communities
- Strong business plan
- To be an asset not a liability – projects on a spectrum of risk for SLF



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Heritage assets:

A selection of some of the projects we have recently funded:

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Other projects in development

- Bannockburn House, Stirling
- Drummond Arms, Crieff
- Highland Folk Museum, Kingussie
- Arbroath Courthouse
- Keith House, Coldstream



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Hear what some of our successful applicants have to say about working with HIE and what asset ownership has done for their communities

Click on the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fFrioyaScXc>



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