

Moray West in the Community

Moray West will deliver multiple socio-economic impacts in the local community through direct employment opportunities and supply chain development. We are committed to supporting skills development and the energy transition in the North East of Scotland and are pleased to be working closely with local businesses, schools and community groups to realise these opportunities.

In recent months...

A highlight for **Fordyce Primary School** and the cables team was the site visit by the entire school to the nearby construction works. Our team also participated in a major STEM event in Aberdeen that brought together school pupils from across the whole North East with speakers, developers, agencies and the supply chain to learn about career opportunities in the offshore wind sector.



Above: Fordyce Primary School having a tour of a nearby construction site from the Cables Team at Moray West.

We have also been pleased to speak with hundreds of residents and visitors to the community through our sponsorship of various local events, including the Portsoy Boat Festival, Strathisla and Newmill summer fair, Sandend Coronation celebration, Fordyce Summer Fair and Keith Show. We will also be attending the Classic Car Show, the RNLI Lifeboat Day and the Christmas Kracker in Buckie in the coming weeks and months of 2023.

Keep in touch

Moray West is committed to close and continued engagement with the local community as construction of the wind farm continues. Please keep in touch, and send us your queries and comments.

- You can view our plans in detail at our website: www.moraywest.com
- Any other questions or inquiries about the project can be sent to info@moraywest.co.uk or our Stakeholder Manager Roger McMichael at roger.mcmichael@oceanwinds.com or 07717 367 150.
- If you have any questions or issues during the onshore cabling works, our enquiry line is in operation 24/7 at 01343 250010 and our operatives will direct your query to the appropriate place.

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Moray West Offshore Wind Farm

Summer 2023

Welcome to the latest **Moray West Offshore Wind Farm** newsletter.

In this newsletter, you can find more details on the onshore and offshore works that are underway to construct the wind farm, the work our team has been doing in the community, and how you can keep in touch with us.

About Moray West

Moray West Offshore Wind Farm is a project being developed by Ocean Winds, who have majority interest in the neighbouring operational Moray East project and the in-development Caledonia project. Construction of the project has been underway since early 2022 – putting Moray West Offshore Wind Farm on track to generate first power in 2024, delivering a major boost to Scotland's green energy generation and long-term local jobs.

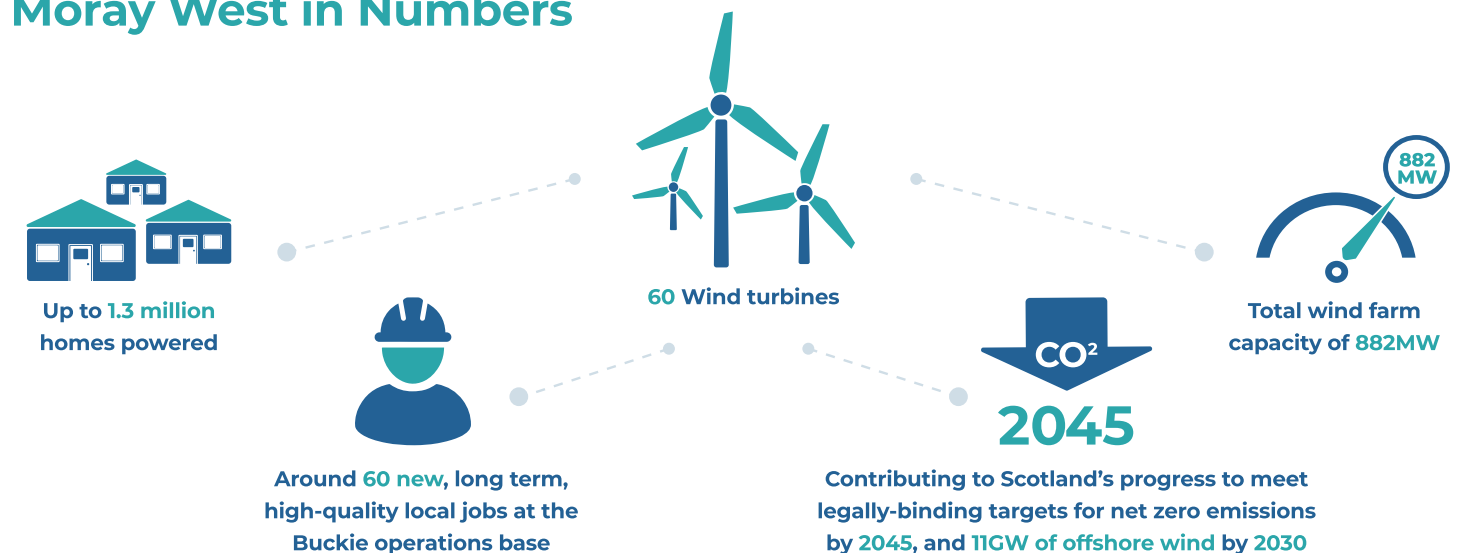
Offshore wind is among the cheapest and most efficient ways of generating electricity. The turbines on the project will be the largest installed anywhere in the UK, generating up to **14.7 MW** each, using innovation in power conversion

and blade design and manufacture. With the tips passing through the air 260m above sea level, and an area swept by the blades equivalent to over five international football pitches, the new Moray West Wind Farm intends to push the envelope in design and manufacture – all increasing efficiency, and reducing the cost of energy.

Moray West Offshore Wind Farm will directly provide high-quality, long term jobs in the local area and we are actively advertising employment opportunities.

To find out more about local job opportunities, visit: www.linkedin.com/company/ow-ocean-winds/jobs or www.moraywest.com/careers/join-us

Moray West in Numbers



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Delivering the Project

Since our last newsletter in Spring 2023, work has continued at pace across all aspects of the full project. The project is on track to commence installation of the offshore components in September 2023, and generate first power from mid 2024.



New O&M base taking shape at Buckie

Offshore Works

- Preparatory offshore works are almost complete, with a rolling programme to identify and safely clear the site of any unexploded ordnance (UXO) underway. This work has used an innovative process that aims to avoid the need for large underwater explosions with significant benefits for the environment.
- The vessel that has been clearing the cable route of thousands of boulders has completed its repetitive but vital task.
- Turbine foundation components are being marshalled in the Cromarty Firth with the installation starting in September and running through to Spring 2024.
- Works to install the offshore substations and export cables will start in September and will complete in Spring 2024.
- The wind turbines will arrive into the Port of Nigg from the beginning of 2024, and installation of the turbines will commence in April 2024. It is anticipated that first power will be generated in the middle of 2024, with the wind farm complete and operational thereafter.



First load of foundation components arrives at Invergordon, June 2023

Moray West Project Timeline

- Initial works on the onshore cable corridor commenced Spring 2022
- Pull-in of offshore export cable and jointing at point of landfall in September 2023
- Offshore foundation installation campaign from Cromarty Firth from September 2023 to Spring 2024
- Duct installation, cable pull-in and jointing complete in early 2024
- Onshore substation will be energised in early 2024
- Wind turbine installation campaign from Nigg, Cromarty Firth between Spring and Autumn 2024
- First power exported to national grid infrastructure in Summer 2024
- Initial site restoration on onshore cable corridor to start in late 2024
- New Buckie operations base fully operational in Summer 2024
- Project fully commissioned around Spring 2025

