## **Shetland Community Facilities Network Meeting**

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CARES supports communities to engage with, participate in and benefit from the energy transition to net zero emissions.



The Scottish Government's



Community and Renewables Energy Scheme (CARES)



delivered by Local Energy Scotland

Local Energy Scotland is a consortium comprising:









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net zero emissions.

Since its inception, CARES has advised over

## **900** organisations

offered funding of over



to over

# **4** 680 projects

supported innovation, awareness raising, community planning and decarbonisation, and helped support the installation of



of renewable energy.













Video: Alford & District Men's Shed, Aberdeenshire

### CARES funding package

- Capital and project development grants (consents and permissions, grid upgrades, renewable and energy efficiency measures).
- Technical support on some occasions (feasibility studies, etc).

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#### **Case studies - Community Buildings projects**

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"A building warrant is required for a non-residential building. This may take a long time!"

Peedie Kirk United
Reformed Church

"the system has generated a cumulative benefit of 50MW of electricity, which is estimated to have reduced the daytime consumption by approximately 50% while saving 10k kg of C02"





"The main lesson learnt is to take one step at a time. Managing contractors can be tricky, and so developing good relationships is crucially important"

**Duns Swimming Pool** 

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#### **Community electricity generation projects**





#### CARES funding package

- Capital and development funding (grants and loans).
- -Technical support

Video: Celebrating community energy successes

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# Case studies - community electricity generation projects





Off-grid energy system Projects



**Community-owned Projects** 



Community Benefits & Shared Ownership

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#### Foula Electricity Trust wind turbine upgrade project





**Project name:** Foula Electricity

Trust wind turbine upgrade **Technology:** Wind turbines

Location: Foula, Shetland islands CARES funding: CARES loan of

£42,000

Date installed/operational: 27

September 2020

Find more about Foula Electricity
Trust on YouTube

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#### **CARES** funding package





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#### More than funding





- Local development officers support
- Technical support
- Website with resources, including case studies, reports and downloadable guides
- Other funding opportunities

Think you're eligible? Submit your expression of interest through our new online portal.



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#### How to apply



- 'Begin a new project' to fill in your expression of interest form (if you are a CARES applicant organisation that has not received CARES funding before).
- Sign up to the CARES newsletter

Once the EOI is approved you will receive a link to set up an account.



The next step is to start an application.
 You can save this and come back to it until you are ready to submit.







#### **Contact Us**





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#### Looking for advice? Get in touch today



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**Q&A Session** 

Thank you for listening

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