



- LOCATION **Wester Ross, Northwest Highlands, Scotland**
- SYSTEM SIZE **500kW Vestas V47**
- EXPECTED ANNUAL GENERATION **2,000MWh**

Locogen was appointed project manager for this community energy project in 2015 and took the project all the way through to installation and commissioning in March 2017.

This was one of Locogen's more challenging projects, with a number of hurdles to overcome including:

- Obtaining a number of variations to the original planning consent;
- Installing the project within the context of very stringent planning conditions;
- Securing a new grid connection offer which made the project more financially viable;
- Raising finance through Assetz Capital for a refurbished wind turbine;
- Assisting with property agreements and Land Court approval; and
- Achieving a safe turbine delivery along a network of single carriageway rural roads.

Despite these barriers, the project was delivered within a very tight timescale. Construction started in November 2016 and the project was commissioned on time in March 2017.

Over the next 20 years, Coigach CIC expects to generate surpluses of around £4.4 million after paying operating and finance costs. 100% of these profits will be donated to Coigach Community Development Company to fund projects which help to develop affordable housing, bring employment or work space into the area, develop transport links and amenities or conserve the natural area. One such project is the re-development of the community's harbour facilities to support the local fishing fleet.

In March 2018, Coigach CIC decided to raise £1.75 million through a bond issue with Triodos Bank. The bond issue will be used to refinance the wind turbine asset and enable the CIC to use all retained profits to fund a variety of community projects in the area.



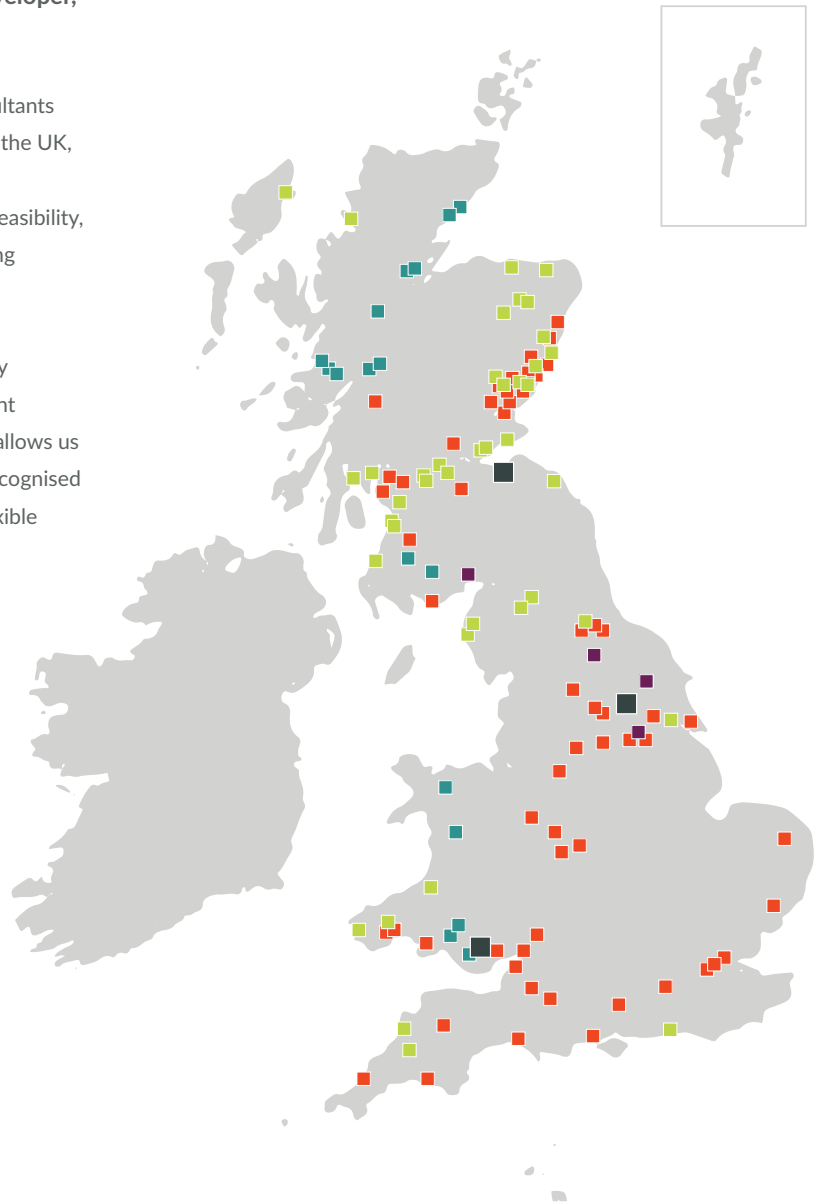
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The Locogen Group, an award-winning pioneer in the sector, has been established since 2009 as a consultancy, developer, installer and operator of renewable energy assets.

Our team of engineers, project managers and technical consultants has delivered hundreds of renewable energy projects around the UK, covering wind, solar, hydroelectric and anaerobic digestion technologies. We take projects from initial concept through feasibility, design, consenting, due diligence, construction, commissioning and operation.

We have developed and operate wind, solar and hydro energy portfolios of our own. We also have a large Asset Management client-base which benefits from our experience; this volume allows us to spread costs and keep our services competitive. We are recognised as a proactive, honest and professional company, and our flexible services are renowned within the sector.

We have a national presence, with a UK-wide network of engineers and technicians giving us a quick response time, ensuring project down-time is low and system performance is maximised.



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