



Spring 2025 update

It has been a busy start to the year for Vattenfall in South West Scotland with a number of events and meetings across the region.

In Dumfries and Galloway, Quantans Hill Wind Farm remains in the planning system as consultees and the consenting authority, the Scottish Government, carefully consider the proposals. In the meantime, we are continuing to work with partners across the region to highlight the opportunities for local jobs, businesses and communities should the wind farm be consented.

The Scottish Government will also be the consenting authority for South Kyle II Wind Farm. Vattenfall has been developing plans for this East Ayrshire project over the past two years, and this has included taking feedback from local communities and stakeholders throughout the design process. That stage completed late last year. We hope to take the next step - submitting the proposals to planning - in the coming weeks, and will make an announcement when confirmed. Keep an eye on our social media channels and the project webpage for updates.

As with Quantans Hill, South Kyle II focusses heavily on generating work and supply chain opportunities for the local area, and over recent months we have continued to put in the groundwork to raise awareness of onshore wind opportunities for local businesses and local people.

Find out more about these projects at www.vattenfall.co.uk/quantanshill and www.vattenfall.co.uk/southkyle2, or get in touch directly with the teams by emailing southkyle2.windfarm@vattenfall.com or quantanshill.windfarm@vattenfall.com.

Linking local supply chains

If consented, both Quantans Hill and South Kyle II Wind Farms will open up new opportunities for local businesses in the coming years. With this in mind, we are continuing to build our local networks and knowledge, and are keen to connect with businesses from across Dumfries and Galloway and Ayrshire.

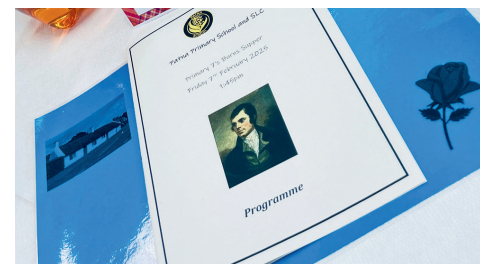
As part of this, we're taking part in the **Meet the Buyer Roadshow Dumfries** on 23rd April at The Bridge, Dumfries, and then **Meet the Buyer National** in Edinburgh on 4th June. At both you can find out more about our forthcoming projects, Vattenfall's approach to procurement and connect with our project teams. To find out more and register to attend please visit www.sdpscotland.co.uk



Kicking off 2025

Vattenfall's South Kyle II project team kicked off the new year by helping fund new strips for Doon Academy's recently reinstated U15 and U18 football teams (as pictured above by the school on X). It was also an opportunity to support a local business, with the kit procured from Cumnock's Donsport.

Thank you to Doon Academy for inviting us over to present the new strips and best of luck for the rest of the season!



Supper time

A huge thank you to Patna Primary School and ECC for inviting us to attend their wonderful Burns Supper celebrating Ayrshire's bard. Congratulations to everyone who took part - the recitals, songs, music and fayre were all terrific.



Renewables careers in focus

Vattenfall's new virtual reality wind turbine experience is now being rolled out in south west Scotland. Using a VR headset, the 360 video takes viewers to Ray Wind Farm in Northumberland and explores the inside - and top of - a wind turbine.

Providing a glimpse of life as a turbine engineer, we first rolled it out locally at Pathways to Careers, the Developing Young Workforce event in Kilmarnock which attracted over 400 attendees. Since then, we've introduced it to classrooms at Hurlford and Fenwick Primary Schools, with more visits to other schools and groups being planned.

To arrange a visit to your school or group, please email either of the project teams.

Back with a bang

This May we'll be back in Dumfries for Bang Goes DG, one of Scotland's largest STEM events.

As in previous years, we'll be showcasing the huge variety of wind farm related careers from caterers and cleaners to lawyers, habitat specialists, drivers, project managers, designers, tradespeople, engineers and many more. Last year saw an amazing 1100 young people attend, travelling to Easterbrook Hall in Dumfries from all over the region, with more than 40 businesses taking part.

Find out more by getting in touch with organisers Developing Young Workforce Dumfries & Galloway www.dyw.scot

Supporting sustainable schools

Vattenfall is delighted to once again be supporting East Ayrshire Council's annual Clean Green School Awards. This innovative programme encourages schools across the authority to highlight sustainability and encourage young people to create and deliver their own climate-friendly projects. From learning about biodiversity and measuring food waste to appointing classroom light-switch monitors and encouraging active travel to school, pupils continue to come up with great new ideas. Last year saw the introduction of new 'Windy the Wind Turbine' trophies, and we look forward to helping hand out the next generation of Windies at this June's award ceremony!

Also in the news

Throughout Scotland, the UK and Europe, Vattenfall is continuing to work towards fossil freedom. Please visit www.vattenfall.co.uk/newsroom for our latest news including stories on skis made from recycled wind turbine blades, drones in the North Sea, recruitment of a wildcat officer and how Aberdeen communities are benefitting from Vattenfall's Unlock Our Future Fund.

Keeping it local with South Kyle's new fit out

Almost two years on from the inauguration of South Kyle Wind Farm, the Vattenfall team now operating the site is continuing to support local businesses and groups.

Late last year, a reconfiguration of the office layout meant that new furnishings would be needed, with Ayrshire's Saxen Interiors supplying new, sustainably sourced desks and chairs.

Meanwhile, the original office items found a new home with another of South Kyle Wind Farm's newest vendors, Irvine-based Healthworx Hygiene (pictured below with Roz from our South Kyle team).

The South Kyle Wind Farm team are also keen to give some time to local charities. If you know of a charity in Doon Valley, New Cumnock or Carsphairn that's looking for volunteers, please get in touch.



Community benefits continue to deliver

Whilst Vattenfall was building South Kyle Wind Farm, we worked closely with local communities to set up the community benefit fund that the wind farm would generate after the project was inaugurated and divested.

Almost two years on from the fund's launch, we love reading about the numerous local projects it has supported. From school trips and training, to job creation and major purchases for the local communities there's lots going on. A huge well done to all involved in continuing to make a difference to your communities.

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