



## **Architectural Services Prospectus**

For development opportunities within the  
Inverness & Cromarty Firth Green Freeport

# A Highland Practice for a Highland Freeport

For over 25 years, we have delivered projects across the region's ports, towns, industrial estates, and rural communities. Our understanding of Highland landscapes, planning frameworks, supply chains, and community priorities is not learned — it is lived.

Our commitment to the region is long-term and genuine.

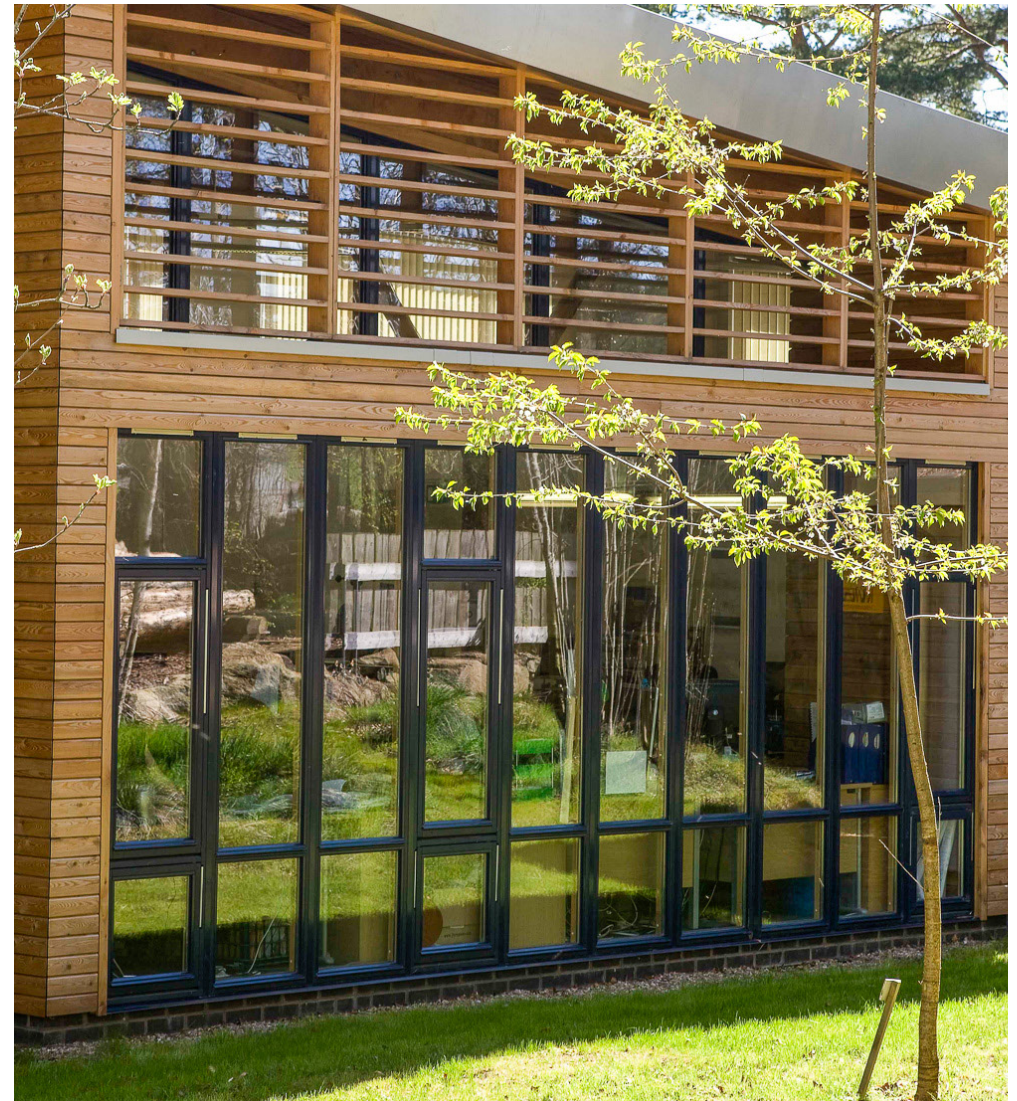
We are an architectural practice founded in the Highlands, with studios in Inverness and Thurso.

**One Practice**

**One Team**

**One Design Ethos**

One line of accountability from concept to completion.



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# Proven Expertise in the Relevant Sectors

## Offshore Wind

- Beatrice Offshore Windfarm O&M Base — project architects from inception to completion
- Port-side operational facilities
- Marine-environment industrial design

## Tidal Energy

- MeyGen Tidal Stream — world-leading tidal energy scheme
- Project architects for onshore power conversion buildings in extreme coastal conditions

## Hydrogen

- Kintore Green Hydrogen — masterplan, visualisations, flythrough
- Energy-transition industrial layouts
- Hydrogen-ready infrastructure

## Pumped Storage Hydro

- Loch Kemp Pumped Storage Hydro powerhouse architectural design

## Industrial & Port-Side Development

- Marine infrastructure
- Coastal industrial buildings
- Logistics and operational facilities



MeyGen

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Caithness

# Supporting the Inverness & Cromarty Firth Green Freeport Vision

The Inverness & Cromarty Firth Green Freeport is an opportunity to transform the Highlands through:

- Renewable energy manufacturing
- Port expansion
- High-value employment
- Net-zero industrial growth



SSE/BOWL

Renewables  
Wick, Caithness

# We are uniquely positioned to support this mission because we combine:

## Strong Local Insight

We understand the region's communities, landscapes, and economic drivers because we work within them every day.

## Proven Technical Capability

We have delivered major renewables and industrial projects from feasibility to completion — repeatedly, successfully, and in the Highlands.

## Sustainability Through Delivery

Our contribution to net zero is demonstrated through real commitment and built infrastructure.

## Collaborative and Connected

We maintain strong relationships with local authorities, public organisations, energy providers, and statutory bodies.

## Community Focused

We have strong connections with our local communities and people.

## Cohesive Team, Clear Responsibility

One practice. One team. One responsibility.



Meygen

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# Our Services for Green Freeport Development

- Strategic masterplanning
- Energy sector industrial design
- Port-side and marine infrastructure
- Feasibility studies and options appraisals
- Planning and regulatory coordination
- Technical design
- Stakeholder engagement and consultation
- Sustainability and net-zero strategies
- Contract administration and site monitoring
- Local presence with continued construction oversight and coordination
- Community consultation



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# Our Credentials and Track Record

## Our Clients

SSE / Beatrice Offshore Windfarm Ltd

MeyGen / SAE

Statera Energy

Highlands & Islands Enterprise

The Highland Council

Orkney Islands Council

Forestry Commission Scotland

Stornoway Port Authority

NHS Highland

NatureScot

Albyn Housing Society

Russwood

University of the Highlands & Islands

## Three Decades of Highland Architectural Leadership

Founded in Inverness in 1997

Thurso studio established in 2019

Employee-Owned Trust from 2025

Continuous delivery across the  
Highlands and Islands

## Award-Winning Practice

IAA Awards

Civic Trust Awards

RICS Award - **Winner**

Cairngorm National Park  
Design Award - **Winner**

# About Us

Our collaborative and inclusive approach harnesses the collective expertise of our passionate architects, designers and technologists, delivering design solutions that exceed expectations and leave a positive impact on society.



## Inverness

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Associate Director

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Part 1 Architectural Assistant

**Ruth Gunn**  
Architectural Technologist

## CASE STUDY

**KEMP**

HRI Munro are contributing to the architectural design of the powerhouse building and have prepared visualisations to support the application.

Loch Kemp Storage will be able to store and generate up to 600MW of clean energy, making use of surplus power from renewable sources to help keep the UK National Grid stable and reliable.

Pumped storage hydro is a proven, responsive way to hold energy until it is needed, supporting the shift towards a low-carbon future. Loch Kemp Storage not only strengthens the UK journey to net zero, it also creates a long-term opportunity to care for and enhance the surrounding environment.



2025

Renewables  
Loch Ness

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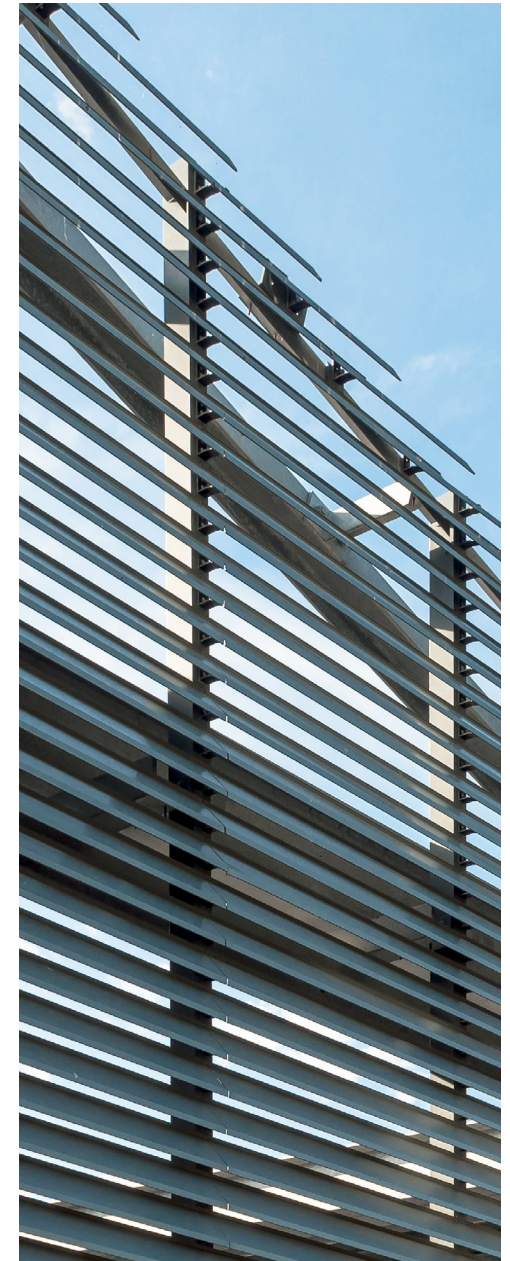
# MeyGen

The world's largest subsea tidal generation array. The Pentland Firth, a narrow passage of water between Caithness and Orkney have some of the fastest tides in British waters. With clockwork reliability, 4 tides per day provide predictable water flow at a speed of 10 knots. MeyGen obtained consent for up to 398MW of turbines situated on the seabed. Phase 1 was to some extent experimental with 6MW of generation. In 2010, we were asked to assist in developing a design for the onshore Power Conversion Unit Buildings for this new and innovative tidal stream project in these fast-moving waters.

Working closely with MeyGen and Xodus in preparing the EIA and LVIA, we developed a design for the first phase of the project. Once planning consent had been secured, we were novated to ABB as the architects for the building warrant and construction phases.



2017

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Pentland Firth

## CASE STUDY

# Beatrice Offshore Windfarm

Operations and Maintenance Base for the Beatrice Offshore Windfarm.

Scotland's second largest offshore windfarm of 84 turbines producing 588MW of electricity required a permanent O&M base to service the installation. Wick Harbour was selected as the most advantageous base and after options for a new O&M facility were discarded, our client decided to utilise a number of historic but derelict buildings in the Pulteneytown beside the harbour.

We were commissioned to develop the renovation and conversion of these 'C' listed buildings situated within a Conservation Area of National Importance due to the fact that the acclaimed and prolific engineer Thomas Telford had created the Pulteneytown masterplan in the early nineteenth century.

Following years of various uses and neglect the buildings were in poor condition so a programme of renovation and restoration was developed while at the same time adapting to accommodate the new imperative to provide warehouse, maintenance, storage, administration and operational control for the offshore turbines. The harbour too had to be modified to provide berthing facilities for the six crew transfer vehicles.



IAA Design Awards - 2021



Renewables  
Wick, Caithness

# A Highland Practice for a Highland Freeport

We bring the local knowledge, renewables expertise, and industrial design capability needed to help deliver the Inverness & Cromarty Firth Green Freeport's vision for a resilient, low-carbon, and economically transformative future.

If you would like to discuss a project, either local, or elsewhere in the UK, please get in touch. We would be delighted to share further practice details or case studies as required.

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