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ETZ LTD QUARTERLY UPDATE



ETZ Ltd Marks Five Years of Impact and Continues to Drive Progress in Energy Excellence

This edition of the ETZ Ltd quarterly update reflects a significant milestone: marking five years since the organisation was established to accelerate jobs and prosperity and strengthen North East Scotland's position as a global leader in energy excellence.

In this time, ETZ Ltd has unlocked £50m in private sector funding and £30m in public sector funding. More than 700 supply chain companies have been supported to access opportunities in low carbon and green energy markets, and 50 companies have been supported through the Challenge Fund, creating or safeguarding more than 267 green jobs, with many more to come.

ETZ Ltd has also progressed key transformational projects over five years of operation, including the refurbishment of W-ZERO 1, home to ORE Catapult's National Floating Wind Innovation Centre, Scotland's largest Energy Transition Skills Hub and ETZ EnergyWorks the UK's first low carbon energy incubator and scale-up hub.

This progress has only been possible with the continued support from our funding partners, the UK and Scottish Governments, The Wood Foundation and Opportunity North East, alongside the support from industry, academia and communities across the region which has turned ambition into delivery.

ETZ Ltd has recently published its [Year of Impact report for 2025/26](#), showcasing these projects in more detail.



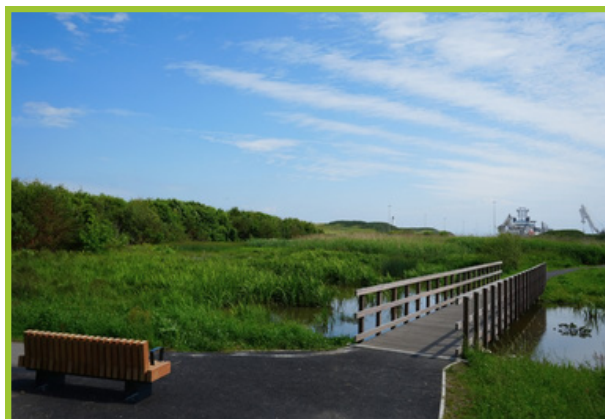
ETZ Ltd has maintained a strong pace of delivery across its programmes and partnerships. From welcoming Scotland's newly appointed Energy Minister to the Energy Transition Zone, to showcasing regional capability at All-Energy 2026, this chapter has fostered meaningful engagement with industry, government and the wider supply chain. This edition also introduces the first resident innovator at the newly opened ETZ EnergyWorks, alongside updates on key infrastructure developments.

Community & Coast Update: Advancing a £2.5m Greenspace Improvement Programme

£2.5m of greenspace improvements have progressed in St Fittick's Park as part of ETZ Ltd's wider work to support energy transition by attracting investment and creating jobs associated with offshore renewable development.

Delivered ahead of the wider Energy Transition Zone Marine Gateway development, these works focused on enhancing St Fittick's Park through restoration works to East Tullos Burn and wetland, St Fittick's Church, and new community amenities at the nearby Tullos Playing Fields. This activity has been shaped through engagement and co-design with the local community.

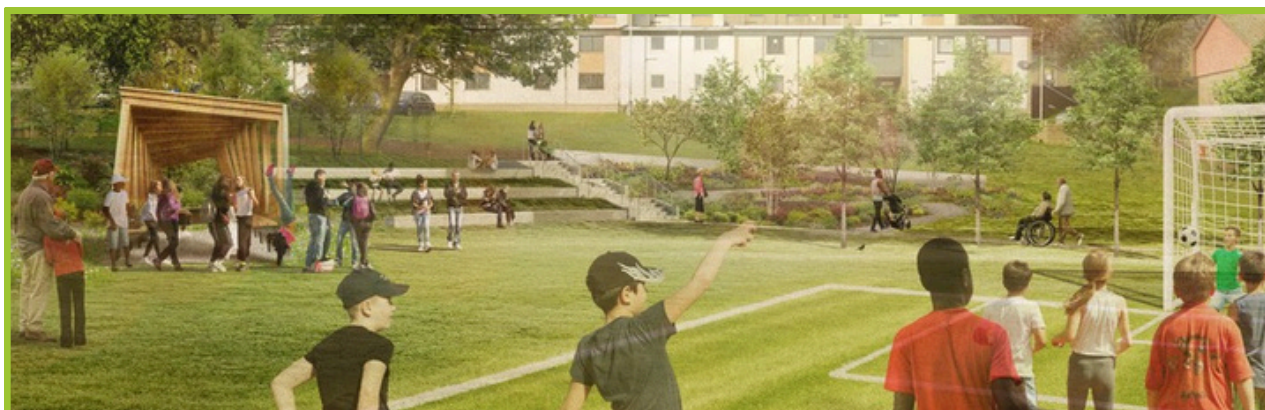
Key upgrades include new bridges, boardwalks, seating, and an additional 1.6 km of path network, improving accessibility and public use of the area. Significant environmental enhancements have also been undertaken, including the planting of more than 35,000 wildflowers and 200 trees to strengthen biodiversity, alongside planned improvements to wayfinding and interpretation.



The programme builds on earlier wetland development work and includes a comprehensive package of environmental interventions. These comprise of the realignment of the East Tullos Burn, sediment removal, and the creation of a new retention pond to improve water quality and manage future sediment. Significant conservation works have also been undertaken at St Fittick's Church, supporting the preservation of this historic landmark.

At Tullos Playing Fields, enhancements include a new accessible entrance from Tullos Primary School, upgraded path connections, improved landscaping, and new community infrastructure such as a social shelter. Additional facilities include two grass pitches with goals, seating areas, picnic tables, and terraced viewing spaces, supporting increased recreational use and community engagement.

Alongside the greenspace investment programme, ETZ Ltd continue to support local community groups across Torry and Cove through the Community & Coast Fund and Charity Partnerships.



Scotland's Energy Minister Visits the Energy Transition Zone

Scotland's Energy Minister, Stephen Gethins' MSP first official visit to Aberdeen, since being appointed, was to ETZ EnergyWorks at the heart of the Energy Transition Zone. Convening a dozen companies from North East Scotland's energy industry, ETZ Ltd hosted a roundtable to discuss the opportunities and barriers in the sector, allowing the supply chain to reinforce their ambition and capability for the region to progress the development of energy projects.

A clear message ran throughout the session: the transition to low carbon must take an all-energy approach. With global competition for investment intensifying, industry needs both the UK and Scottish Governments to urgently unlock projects at pace. Without action, there is a risk that investment, associated jobs and economic benefits will be lost to other markets.



Introducing the ETZ EnergyWorks Resident Innovators - innovair

ETZ EnergyWorks, the UK's first low carbon energy incubator and scale-up hub is attracting interest from companies ready to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation. Already, five businesses have chosen the hub as the base for their next stage of growth, with more to follow. ETZ Ltd is excited to introduce these resident innovators in each edition of the newsletter.



The first company to make its mark at ETZ EnergyWorks is innovair. Exemplifying energy excellence, it delivers services across both oil & gas and renewables and moved into the hub at the beginning of 2026. The specialist inspection solutions provider focuses on driving innovation through advanced inspection robotics. Together, the team brings a wealth of experience in inspection and robotics, helping innovair's customers better understand their environments, maintain asset integrity, reduce risk and improve productivity.

Stuart Lawson, innovair's Solutions Director said:

"The space we now have at ETZ EnergyWorks has come at exactly the right time for the business, giving us the room to grow and operate at the level our clients expect."

ETZ EnergyWorks provides pioneering problem-solvers with the space to develop technology, collaborate with a like-minded community, and access an unrivalled ecosystem of ETZ EnergyWorks partners, helping to accelerate the delivery of new energy solutions. Welcoming start-ups and scale-ups at every growth stage, the hub is built to help businesses grow in low carbon energy markets.

W-ZERO 2 Leased with KG Logistics

Following a recent £1.5m joint venture vacant property refurbishment investment, ETZ Ltd welcomed KG Logistics, international freight forwarding specialists, to the 20,000sq ft W-ZERO 2 Minto Drive unit.

KG Logistics have made a long-term lease commitment to the region, as they seek to deliver their ambition to support existing energy sector customers and capitalise on an Aberdeen-based renewables adjacency, to support growth in offshore renewable projects. ETZ Ltd was delighted to work with property co-owner West Coast Estates on this successful property refurbishment and welcome KG Logistics to the Energy Transition Zone.



Intellectual Property Clinics by HGF

HGF are providing free, practical, one-to-one guidance on patentability, IP strategy support and commercialisation and scaling, by hosting IP clinics at ETZ EnergyWorks.

This is a valuable opportunity for businesses to access specialist IP advice at no cost, helping to protect innovations, strengthen market position and accelerate growth in an increasingly competitive low carbon sector.

The next session will take place on the 29th of July 2026 with limited spaces, so sign-up is recommended.

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Demonstrating Impact at All-Energy 2026

ETZ Ltd exhibited at All-Energy 2026, strengthening existing relationships and building valuable new connections by showcasing the strength and significance of the region's energy industry. ETZ Ltd highlighted its partnership with the local supply chain and the ongoing activity in the region.

How the ETZ Ltd team maximised their presence at All-Energy 2026:

- Project Manager Amy Perry spoke at the session 'State of Hydrogen Industry in Scotland' exploring current landscape, policy, project delivery and emerging opportunities.
- Senior Skills Manager Lauren Braidwood participated in the panel session 'One Workforce for One Energy – Building Skills for an Integrated Industry' focusing on building the right skills for the energy sector.
- Lauren also volunteered at the Skills Zone with Stemovators and Great British Energy, helping to deliver EV car workshops to over 100 secondary school students.
- The team hosted a networking reception to conclude the first day of the conference, inviting a range of stakeholders to find out more about ETZ Ltd and connect with industry.



European Energy Market Opportunities are Ready to be Unlocked

Over 100 attendees explored European export opportunities at ETZ Ltd's masterclass 'Unlocking Europe: Export Opportunities for North East Scotland Supply Chains', delivered by Energy Industries Council (EIC). The event welcomed speakers from Export Central AI, EIC, SDI, Ramboll and Osso, with a strong message emerging throughout the event that European low carbon energy markets represent a significant and growing opportunity, with demand arising across hydrogen, CCUS, offshore wind and geothermal.

Scotland's industry and expertise position the region strongly to support this transition. However, collaboration is essential and success depends on building strong local partnerships and understanding the cultural and regulatory landscapes.

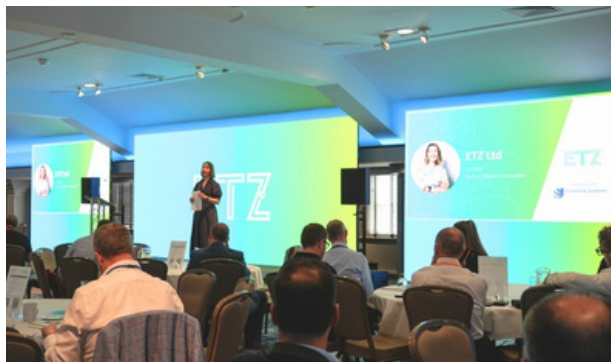
Visit the website to find out about upcoming events or get in touch to discover how ETZ Ltd can support your business through the Supply Chain Pathway Programme.

[Visit the website](#)



ETZ Ltd Masterclass: Build the Grid

ETZ Ltd, in partnership with SSEN Transmission, welcomed delegates to 'Build the Grid. Power the Transition' delivered by EIC. The event highlighted the planned £29bn transmission investment expected over the next five years across the North of Scotland, with Ricky Saez of SSEN Transmission outlining major upcoming projects spanning overhead lines, cables, substations and HVDC.



Insights into project delivery were shared by George Young of Balfour Beatty plc, who highlighted supply chain opportunities, workforce demands and capability requirements. Contributions from Alan Ritchie (SSEN Transmission) and Tony Griffiths (Olsights) also demonstrated how innovation, digital technologies and data-driven solutions can support a more flexible and resilient electricity network.

The event reinforced a clear message: grid infrastructure represents one of the most significant opportunities within the energy transition, with North East Scotland's supply chain playing a critical role in supporting the UK's largest grid upgrade programme.

Peterhead Energy Supply Chain Showcase and Networking

In early June, ETZ Ltd hosted a networking and industry showcase event at Score Group, Peterhead, bringing together key stakeholders from across the region's supply chain. A key theme throughout the session was the strong sense of community and collaboration that continues to define the North East.

Guest speakers from Maritime Developments, ASCO and Score Group highlighted their ongoing commitment to sustaining activity within Peterhead and the wider region by utilising the local supply chain to support a range of international projects. In addition, Freda Miller, ETZ Ltd's Senior Supply Chain Manager, outlined the support and opportunities ETZ Ltd offers regional businesses.

The event delivered a positive and well-received message for supply chain companies in the room, reinforcing the importance of tangible projects and continued collaboration in maintaining a strong and sustainable regional presence.

The panel session encouraged active participation from attendees, who were invited on stage to ask questions, share perspectives and contribute to wider discussion. This interactive format created a great atmosphere in the room encouraging collective problem solving rounding off a highly positive and future-focused event.



Positioning North East Scotland as a Global Leader in Energy Excellence