

## Benefits and Opportunities

Offshore wind has the potential to generate considerable economic value to Scotland, particularly the north-east, where it can play an important role in supporting energy transition to a low carbon economy. MarramWind will work closely with local communities, businesses and other key stakeholders to help Scotland maximise the value that offshore wind has to offer.

MarramWind is committed to maximising socio-economic benefits and will create industrial, economic, employment and skills benefits for local communities in Scotland. By creating opportunities across the project lifecycle, MarramWind is seeking to stimulate investment in Scotland's supply chain capabilities, which will help us to maximise Scottish involvement where possible.

To help unlock the value of floating offshore wind, we commit to providing £25 million via a stimulus fund to benefit the Scottish supply chain. The fund will invest in Scottish infrastructure and facilities supplying key goods and services for offshore wind, as well as supporting companies to innovate and upskill, including small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

We are committed to early-stage engagement with the supply chain and will seek to create a clear, visible pipeline of opportunities to help SMEs and new market entrants establish themselves as key players in the sector.

Another key driver of success will be the creation of sustainable employment opportunities for local communities, which will be supported through the development and upskilling of the current and future workforce. We are committed to tackling

skills shortages by working with established industries, including oil and gas and the armed forces, to create employment transition routes and accessible training opportunities. This will be complemented by entry level career opportunities, such as graduate and apprenticeship roles, both directly and within the supply chain.

Furthermore, we will continue to work with education institutes to support learning about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) subjects, helping to stimulate interest in offshore wind from Scotland's future offshore wind workforce.

### Community Benefit Fund

We take pride in being a positive and productive part of the communities near our windfarms and we want these communities to benefit from a future powered by renewable energy.

MarramWind is committed to working alongside communities to deliver community benefits which align with our commitment to sustainability and meet local needs and aspirations. Over the coming months and years, we will work with local communities and stakeholders to determine how such benefits will be delivered.

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