



# Clyde Wind Farm

## Scholarship Guidance Notes



## **Clyde Wind Farm Local STEM Scholarship Fund**

Clyde Wind Farm is one of Europe's biggest operational wind farms. Clyde Windfarm (Scotland) Ltd is a joint venture partnership between SSE Renewables, Greencoat UK Wind Plc and GLIL Corporate Holdings Ltd. Located south of Biggar in the Southern Uplands it has 206 turbines with an installed capacity of 522MW, generating enough renewable energy to power over 290,000 homes.

The wind farm has contributed over £220m of socio-economic benefits to the Scottish economy during construction and operation including, job creation, skills training, opportunities for local and Scotland-wide businesses.

Central to the wind farm's strategy includes consistently building value for society while investing in electricity infrastructure needed for the transition to net zero. Furthermore, the bedrock to continued impact is our long-term commitment to communities living near our sites. This is demonstrated by the £58m community fund value over the course of Clyde Wind Farm's life cycle.

The wind farm continues to invest into the community with the establishment of a scholarship fund to aid education in STEM subjects.

Clyde Wind Farm is providing scholarships of £5,000 to students undertaking STEM degrees. The scholarship is to be used towards the scholar's student loan, thereby reducing the amount for repayment at time of graduation. Six awards will be made to different students every year for the duration of the fund programme.

### **Fund Eligibility**

To be considered for the Clyde Wind Farm STEM Scholarship, applicants must:

- Have a home address in either South Lanarkshire, Scottish Borders, or Dumfries & Galloway local authority areas.
- Be undertaking a STEM based full or part time course at a UK college or university in the academic year 2023/24.
- Will be in receipt of a loan from the Student Loans Company for academic year 2023/24.

### **Scholarship Fund Criteria**

The fund will make awards based on:

- Applicant demonstrating that at least 50% of their course is spent undertaking STEM subjects.
- Applicants demonstrating that they are currently undertaking a degree at a UK university or equivalent at college in the academic year 2023/24.
- If the fund is oversubscribed priority will be given to applicants closest to the wind farm's primary site within each local authority area.

- You will be informed of the outcome (successful or unsuccessful) of your application by the end of September 2023, however, due to the high volume of anticipated applications, feedback will not be given.

### **Scholarship Fund Terms and Conditions**

- The Clyde Wind Farm decision is final.
- Each Scholarship is for the named person on the application only.
- The Scholarship is to be used in support of living expenses and tuition fees (where applicable). The funding will be paid directly to the Student Loans Company.
- The Scholar must take part in the promotion of this Scholarship and may be asked to participate in having their photograph taken and providing a personal statement for use in promotional material. The Scholar's personal data (email address, phone number and postal address) will be retained by SSE Renewables and will only be used for purposes related to the Scholarship.
- If requested the Scholar must attend a Scholarships & Awards Ceremony (date and location to be confirmed) to be formally presented with the award.
- The scholar commits to informing, Clyde Wind Farm and SSE Renewables of their job and sector on completion of their degree.
- The Scholar should commence their programme of study during the academic year of 2023/24. Authorised postponements will be considered only in exceptional circumstances.
- Clyde Wind Farm and SSE Renewables reserves the right to investigate and possibly withdraw a person from the Scholarship programme if there is adequate proven evidence of illegal activities discovered.
- Clyde Wind Farm and SSE Renewables reserves the right to make reasonable changes to this contract at any time and will advise the Scholar if this occurs, as and when required.
- You can only receive one scholarship from the fund.

### **Application Form**

Application form, Terms and Conditions & Declaration – [access the online form](#).