



Welcome

Our team are here to discuss our plans, listen to your views and outline the next steps of the Proposed Development.

About Statkraft

- → The largest generator of renewable energy in Europe
- → Over 40 projects in operation or development across the UK
- → Origins in Norwegian hydropower over 125 years ago
- → Expertise in developing and operating wind, solar, hydro, and grid stability services
- → Mer, our EV charging company, is helping the shift towards net zero transportation
- → Distributed over £4 million to support local communities near renewable energy projects





For more information and to register for updates, visit www.statkraft.co.uk/neilston



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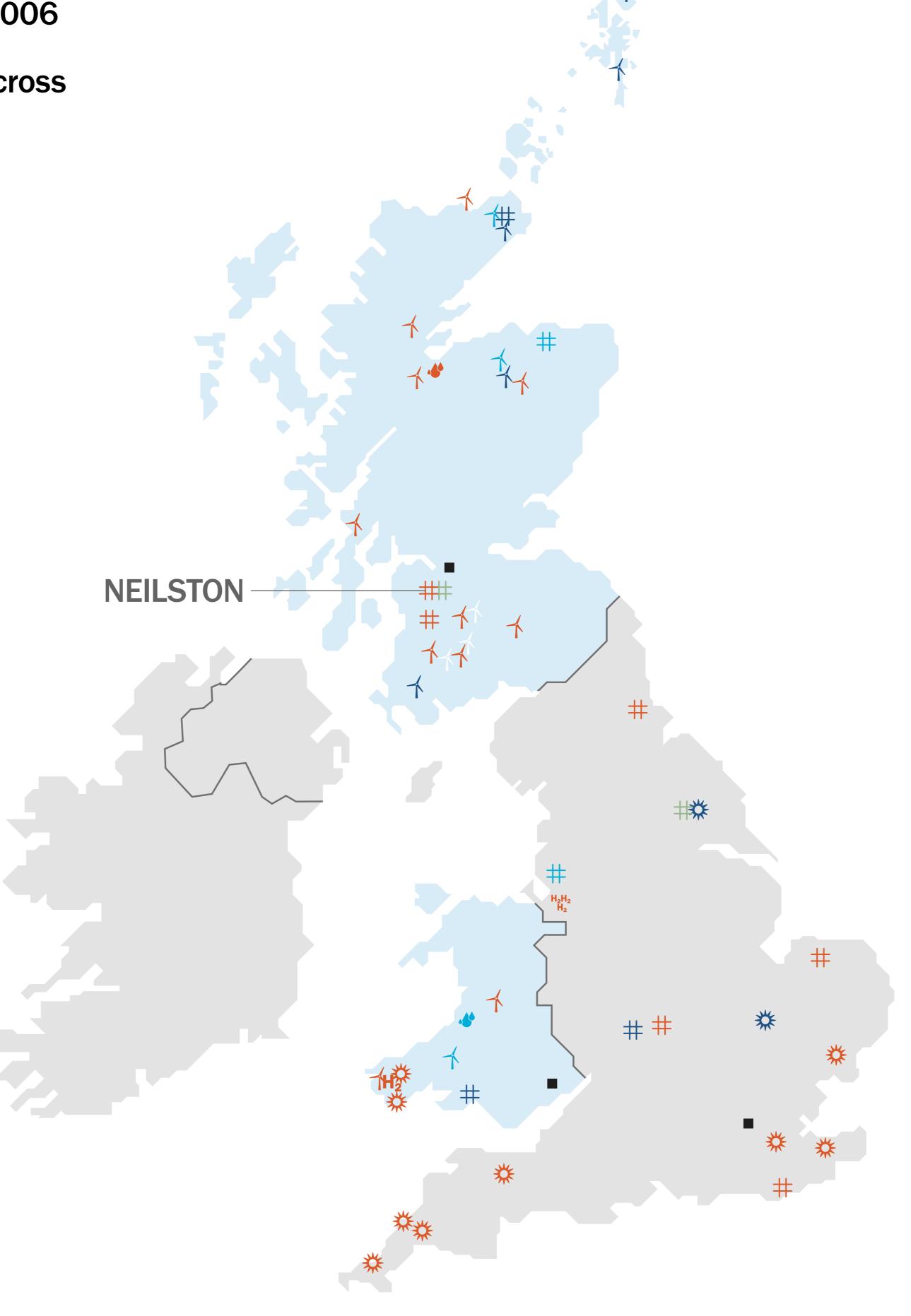






Statkraft in UK

- → Scottish Head Office in Glasgow
- → Operating in the UK since 2006
- → Employ almost 500 staff across our UK businesses
- Operational
- Operational (sold)
- Consented
- Construction
- Development
- Offices
- **↑** Wind
- **#** Greener Grid Park™
- **Hydro**
- ☆ Solar
- H₂ Hydrogen







About Greener Grid Parks

Greener Grid Parks are facilities comprised of zero carbon technologies which stabilise the grid, allowing more renewable energy to be transmitted through the network. They are not a wind farm or solar farm, but include equipment to import, store and export energy for use at a later date.

This is provided by one or both of the following innovative technologies.





Synchronous Compensator

Large machines with built-in flywheels provide grid stability without emitting any carbon dioxide – decarbonising the grid and saving consumers money.

Batteries (Battery Energy Storage System or BESS)

Batteries capture energy and store it for use later to keep supply and demand balanced. This is another innovative way we can provide stability to the grid.





Why do we need Greener Grid Parks?

Greener Grid Parks are pioneering projects which help achieve zero carbon emissions.

- → As we move towards a zero carbon world we need to keep the power network stable as gas and coal units close.
- National Grid has had to pause renewables and run gas power stations
 even when there is enough renewable energy to meet demand.
- → National Grid pay to switch on fossil fuel powered plants and pay constraint payments – this has a cost to the environment and consumer.
- → Greener Grid Parks remove this need by providing zero carbon stability so we can utilise as much renewable energy as possible.

£128 MILLION

Saved (estimated by NGESO) across contract period for Phase 1 Pathfinder. Saving consumers money; meeting local, regional and national targets.

(NGESO: National Grid Electricity Systems Operator)

Sometimes it's been necessary to shut down wind farms and switch on gas fired power plants - projects such as our Greener Grid Parks will make this a thing of the past.

Guy Nicholson -Head of Greener Grid Parks, Statkraft UK.



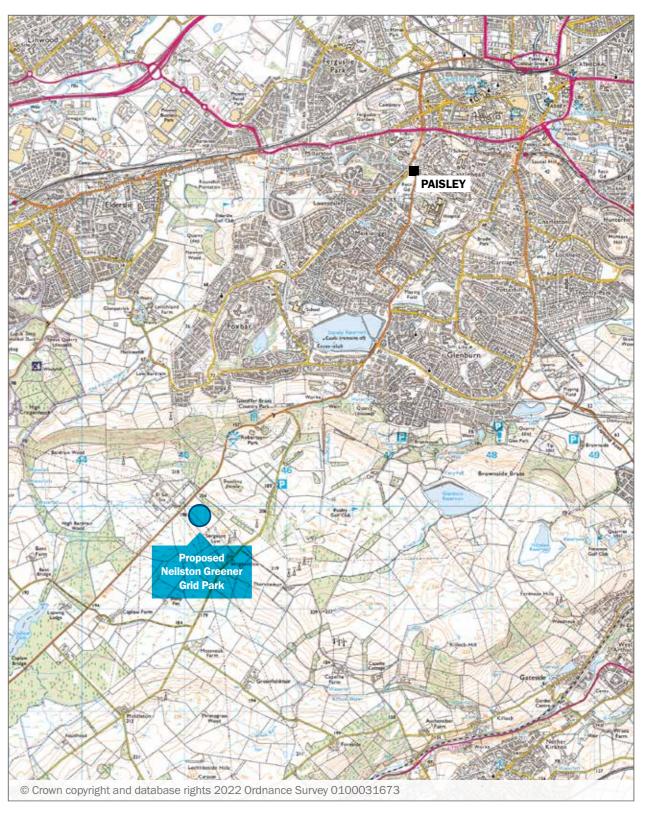
Find out more at: www.statkraft.co.uk/greenergridparks





About Neilston Greener Grid Park





Neilston is an excellent site location for a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS):

- → This BESS project will increase the amount of renewable energy consumers can utilise
- → South West Scotland is an area of high wind generation and export
- → Neilston GGP is an excellent site to continue contributing to the UK's ambitions of reaching net zero emissions by 2050
- → It is next to the existing Neilston substation meaning the cable connection is short and less intrusive
- → Low impacts on flooding, cultural heritage and ecology
- → Existing roads infrastructure for access

If Neilston was granted planning permission, we estimate construction will commence in winter 2025 and the project will be operational in spring 2028

Project website: www.statkraft.co.uk/neilston

MEMBER:







Design Evolution

Timeline

January 2021

First application submitted

April 2022

Planning consented at appeal 50MW

Autumn 2023

Construction of 50MW scheme commences

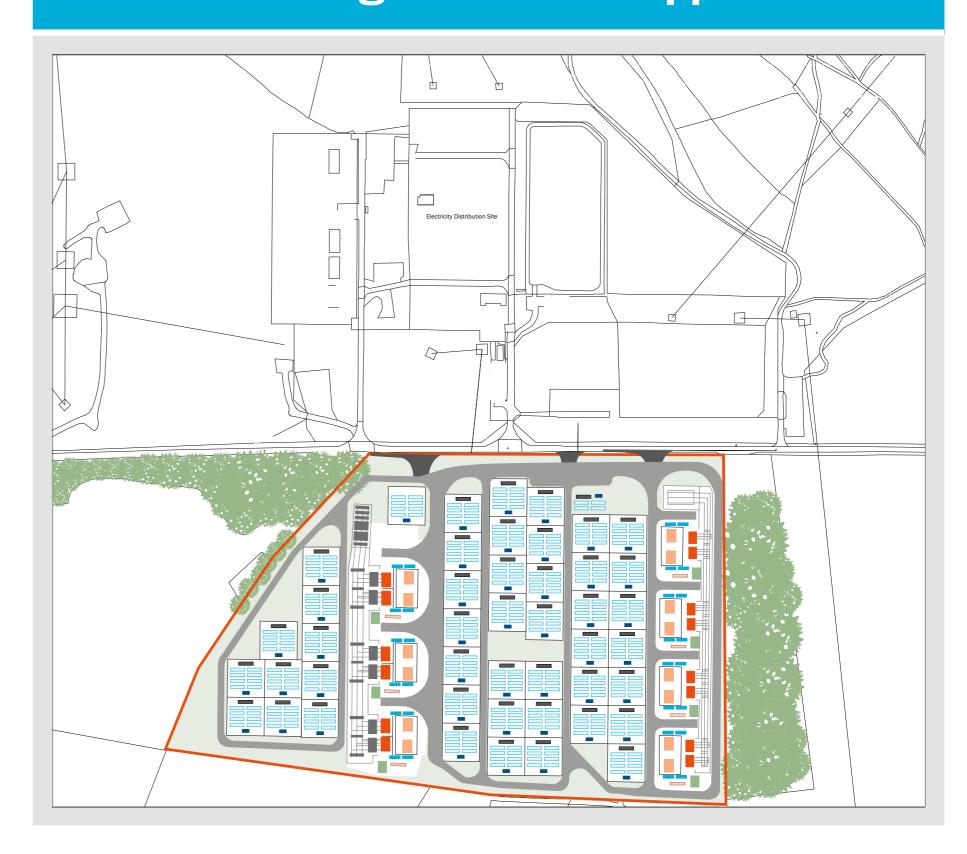
2022 - 2023

Design works and technical assessments

Spring 2024

New Section 36 application submitted

50MW Planning Permission Approved

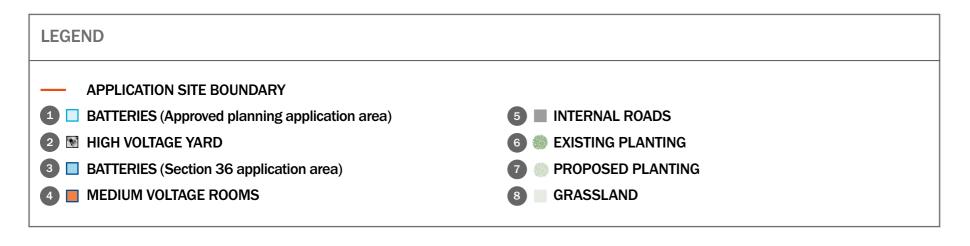


In April 2022, the Energy Consents Unit approved our 50MW application at appeal

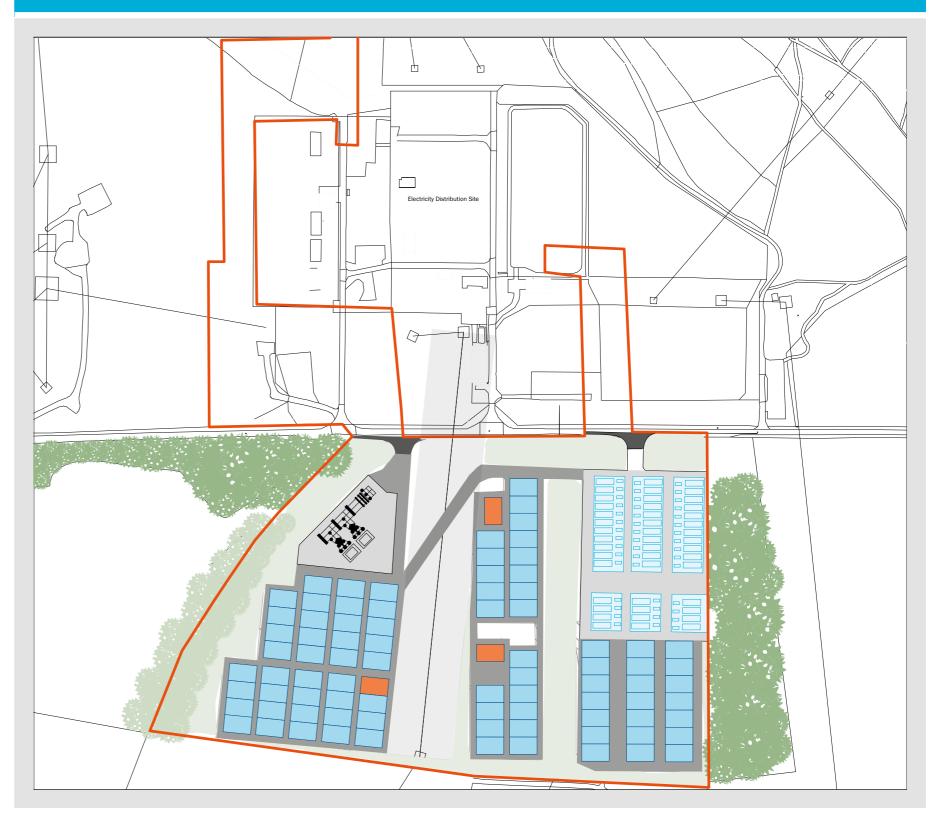
50MW Construction commenced 2023



The area highlighted in green is currently under construction.



Section 36 Application



Statkraft intends to submit a Section 36 application in 2024 to increase the energy capacity of the project above 50MW. We aim to:

- \rightarrow increase the energy capacity
- ightarrow refine the layout and required infrastructure
- \rightarrow to remove the synchronous compensators





Community Benefits

We look forward to discussing with you the different ways that our projects bring positive benefits.

We were the first to offer community benefit funds for grid stability projects, and we would like to hear your ideas for worthwhile local projects.





Our first Greener Grid Park Community Benefit Fund at Keith, Moray, helped fund the purchase of a new solar panel and battery storage for the local Keith and District Men's Shed, a men's health and wellbeing charity.



"Windy Rig Wind Farm is another valuable contract for GTR. We are just one of several local businesses who are directly benefiting from the many wind farm developments within this area. This can only be a good thing for both local businesses and the local economy especially during the current pandemic." Tanya Russell, Director, GTR Contracts Ltd

Community Benefit Fund

We are committed to setting up a Community Benefit Fund of £20,000 per annum. Our community benefit funds are dedicated to projects that help accelerate the transition to a low carbon society.

Biodiversity Enhancements

Statkraft looks to actively improve the environment around our projects. We are committed to including enhancements suited to the local climate to improve habitat and biodiversity.

Local Supply Chain

We work with local business groups to increase awareness of opportunities to get involved in the construction and operation of our projects.

Over £1.6million was invested in the local supply chain at our Keith Greener Grid Park in Moray.

Visit our website to find out how to register interest.







Thank you for visiting

Your views are important to us

We are committed to engaging with the local community and would like to keep you informed. Contact us with your questions, comments or to subscribe for project updates.

All of the information is available to view Energy Consents Unit's website and on our project website.





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