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Person	Role	Expertise	Qualifications
Andrew Curds ASH Design + Assessment Ltd.	EA Project Director	Twenty years' experience leading and undertaking EIA's for energy generation, transmission and grid connection projects, predominantly in Scotland. This has involved project management and co-ordination of technical specialists and internal teams, discussions with stakeholders, and the production and review of EIA Reports and Environmental Appraisal documentation.	BSc (Hons) Geography and Environmental Management, MA Environmental Impact Assessment. FIEMA.
Hannah Lane ASH Design + Assessment Ltd.	EA Project Manager / Senior Environmental Consultant	Over 4 years' experience undertaking EIA's for for a wide range of projects in the energy and transmission sectors in Scotland. This has involved project management and co-ordination of specialist consultants, undertaking discussions with statutory and non-statutory consultees on the scope and methodology of surveys, and the production of EIA Reports and Environmental Appraisal documentation.	MSc Sustainaibily and Environmental Studies
Finn Lydon ASH Design + Assessment Ltd.	EA Project Support / Graduate Environmental Consultant	Experience assisting on EIA's for a range of projects within the energy and transmission sectors within Scotland.	MA (Hons) Geography, Society and Environment MSc Global Sustainability Engineering
Eilidh Mackenzie ASH Design + Assessment Ltd.	Landscape and Visual Lead	Twenty years' experience working in Scotland, specialising in Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment in the energy and transmission sectors. Also expert in the design, and implementation of hard and soft landscape proposals for a variety of developments, and the production of strategic and detailed design solutions for landscape reinstatement and mitigation works for a variety of projects.	MA (hons) Landscape Architecture Chartered Member of the Landscape Institute (CMLI)
Monika Kotowicz ASH Design + Assessment Ltd.	Landscape and Visual Team	Over 3 years' experience working in Scotland and abroad, assisting in Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment in the energy and transmission sectors. Also assisting in the design, and	MSc Landscape Architecture



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Helen Chance Orrin Ecology	Ecology and Ornithology EA Lead	Helen is a Member of the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM). With 14 years of ecology consultancy experience, Helen is proficient in undertaking a range of habitat, protected species and bird surveys and Ecological Impact Assessments.	BSc (Hons) Zoology, MCIEEM
Gareth Marshall Orrin Ecology	Field ecologist and ornithologist	Gareth Marshall has over 15 years experience in conservation, land management and ecological surveying over a wide range of habitats and sectors across the Scottish Highlands.	BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences with Ecology
Adam Fraser Blairbeg Consulting	Field ecologist and ornithologist	Adam Fraser is a Member of the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM). He is a highly experienced surveyor who is proficinet in undertaking a wide range or bird, habitat and mammal surveys and Ecological Impact Assessments.	BSc (Hons) Ecology, MSc Wildlife and Conservation Management, MCIEEM
Gordon Robb SLR Consulting	Water Environment Technical EA Lead	Gordon Robb is a Technical Director (Hydrology and Hydrogeology) at SLR Consulting Limited and has over thirty years' experience assessing renewable energy and electrical infrastructure projects and specifically their potential effects on the water environment, including public and private water supplies, and designated water dependent habitat. He is based in Scotland and has worked throughout Scotland, including sites in similar settings to the Proposed Development. He has also prepared and given expert witness evidence relating to electrical infrastructure and renewable energy projects. Prior to completing this assessment, he has visited the Proposed Development and study area.	BSc Geography, MSc Engineering Hydrology, MBA, C.WEM, FCIWEM.
Katy Rainford	Water Environment	Katy Rainford is a Senior Hydrologist at SLR Consulting Limited who has over 5	BSc (Hons) Geology and Physical



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SLR Consulting	Technical EA Team / Senior Hydrologist	years' experience completing a variety of geological, hydrological and hydrogeological assessments. This includes a multitude of renewable energy and electrical infrastructure projects assessing their potential impact on geological, hydrological and hydrogeological receptors including water dependent habitats, GWDTEs, public and private water supplies, flood risk assessments and outline drainage assessments. She has worked across Scotland including sites in similar settings to the Proposed Development.	Geography, FGS, MCIWEM
Catherine Dagg	Cultural Heritage EA Lead / Archeologist	Catherine Dagg has over 20 years' experience of producing EIAs for renewable energy and infrastructure developments throughout the Highlands and Islands, including the cultural heritage assessment for Stronelairg Wind Farm grid connection and Melgarve substation.	BA (Hons) Prehistory and Archaeology Associate member of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (CIfA)
Neil McKay Neil McKay Forestry	Forestry EA Lead	Neil McKay has more than 35 years' professional forestry experience throughout UK and Ireland. A chartered forester since 1994. Since 2010 Neil has provided forestry advice and support to several onshore renewables developers and operators in Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Over the past three years Neil has provided forestry chapters for more than 40 EIA Reports or technical appendices for onshore wind farm, substation and grid connections.	National Diploma in Forestry. A professional member of the Institute of Chartered Foresters.