



# IMPACT HUB

Impact Hub Inverness, which is the trading name for HISEZ CIC, is a company that supports the start-up and growth of social enterprises in the Highlands and Islands. We work with social enterprises and communities helping them towards economic growth and increased sustainability and social impact. HISEZ was established at the end of 2003. Over the last 17 years, HISEZ has delivered business support services for the enterprising third sector, under contracts for the Scottish Government and others. HISEZ also has extensive experience of undertaking feasibility studies, business planning and community consultations directly for community groups particularly around the acquisition of assets including buildings and land. This has enabled us to establish and develop strong links with the public, private and third sectors in the area. HISEZ is a lead partner for the Scottish Government's Just Enterprise programme, a sub-contractor of Social Investment Business for BIG Lottery, a lead partner in the delivery of a contract for HIE on board governance health checks and delivers support to private companies under a framework contract with Highland Council/Business Gateway. We have unrivalled experience of working with community organisations and voluntary groups based in rural and often remote locations.

Polly Chapman and Clarrie Murdoch from Impact Hub Inverness will be working on the Balmacara Community Hall project.

Polly Chapman has worked in the broad area of community development in the Highlands and Islands for over 25 years, she has a proven track record in working constructively to support change in rural communities. Clarrie Murdoch joined HISEZ in 2019 and works on the company's contract work. Prior to joining HISEZ, Clarrie worked for a housing social enterprise as their Marketing and Communities Assistant supporting their work with community groups across the Highlands and Islands and developing and implementing the company's marketing strategy.

We are looking forward to working with Balmacara Community Hall Committee and the wider community of Balmacara to assess the suitability of restoring the Balmacara Community Hall into a community-owned building for the benefit of the community.