



Paul MacKintosh received funding from Edinbane Wind Farm to train as a baker

"I've always worked in kitchens but when I suddenly found myself out of work my mental health took a dip. My dream was to work offshore as a baker. There is lots of work offshore in this part of the world, but it costs a lot to get your training and your tickets, and I just couldn't see how I'd find the money"

The Edinbane Community Company run an Education and Bursary scheme which includes funding from Vattenfall's Edinbane Wind farm.

"Someone involved with the Edinbane Community Company suggested I should apply for funding. The training gave me such a boost, my confidence grew to the point where after I finished it, I rang round loads of companies asking about work. It only took a week before I got a job offshore so off I went."

Paul worked offshore for almost two years and thoroughly enjoyed this time as it demanded planning menus ahead, thinking on his feet and balancing the books – it also grew his confidence working and running a kitchen.

Eventually Paul decided he needed a better work life balance and made the decision to return to the Isle of Skye where he now runs the recently refurbished MacKenzie's bakery in Portree.



Edinbane Wind Farm

Edinbane is an 18 turbine wind farm which has been in operation since 2010, powering around 34,000 homes annually.

Find out more here: https://group. vattenfall.com/uk/what-we-do/ourprojects/edinbane



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