

# bp 60 YEARS IN THE NORTH SEA

**BP will spend  
£3,000,000 on  
North Sea wells**

**Development shows  
BP 'still committed'**

*North Sea: Energy giant reveals two new oil field discoveries*

**Islands' bonanza  
from oil**

*Sullom Voe terminal may  
bring in £25 million*



**Milestone as  
first oil flows  
from huge field**

*Exclusive: £5bn development in harsh conditions  
represents major vote of confidence in North Sea*



**Oil find  
start of  
'exciting  
times'**

**'This is  
our home'**

*BP looks to future with  
534 new North Sea jobs*













# Proud to be at the heart of the community

## Gallery in the frame with £1m cash boost

From the arts to charity fundraisers, bp and its staff are involved in many north-east projects.

Over the past 60 years, bp has created thousands of jobs through its pioneering work in the North Sea, but it also gives back to the communities in which it operates.

It has inspired the next generation of workers through outreach in education, with a particular emphasis on science, technology, engineering and maths.

This includes supporting Aberdeen's annual science festival, hosted by TechFest since 1986, and being a lead funding partner of Prosper's Young Engineers and Science Clubs (YESC) since 2004.

In 1994, bp launched the first iteration of its student tutoring scheme - a partnership still going strong today with Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City councils and three higher and further education institutions.

The company has also invested millions in Scottish woodlands. In 2000, it committed £10 million to the newly formed Scottish Forest Alliance, which has helped to create 14 new native woodlands.

The partnership still thrives today. Last year, bp committed up to a further

£10m to a new urban forestry programme with Future Woodlands Scotland.

There has also been investment in the arts. In 2019, bp announced a £1m investment in Aberdeen Art Gallery to fund the bp Galleries to host three special exhibitions a year.

At the time, bp group chief executive Bob Dudley said: "Today's investment means a new generation of visitors will experience and engage with exhibitions of the highest quality."

And the charitable efforts of bp employees cannot be overlooked.

In 2009, the first Coast 2 Coast cycle set off. The annual challenge encourages individuals to partner with charities and pedal a c200-mile route across Scotland. Over the past 15 years, it has raised more than £2m for 35 north-east charities, with bp matching the donations.

Last year, Coast 2 Coast chairwoman Nandini Nagra said: "The cycle has created an amazing legacy for local charities."

"It has become a landmark event in the bp calendar, with many cyclists returning year on year, as well as new recruits keen to take part."



In 2018, Andrew Barlow, Matthew Oxley, Job Derksen and Martin Aasterud won TechFest's STEM in the Pipeline.



**NEXT GENERATION:**  
The bp student tutoring scheme has helped inspire many local young people into further education.

## £10m forest plan will transform rural landscape



Mentor Manish Labroo shows Jeswin Vardhesse the ropes.



It was dummies at the ready in 1985 as bp employees Mike Watt, Alan Costine and Kay Ritchie joined the Dyce Fun Day pram race.



bp's Richard Haydock helps Shireen Chambers dig in.



Steve Nuttall led the fun for Comic Relief in 1991.



In 2017, bp had a bumper crop of Coast 2 Coast-ers.



"I recall when North Sea oil first reached the Scottish shore in 1975. It was a seminal moment for Aberdeen. The transformation from being a provincial city in the north-east of Scotland to an internationally recognised centre for oil and gas is remarkable."

- Sir Ian Wood



"bp has been a constant in Scotland's energy journey and integral to the emergence of a highly skilled workforce and world-class supply chain. These are the tools we need for the transition to green energies."

- Maggie McGinlay, Energy Transition Zone chief executive



"We proudly celebrate bp's 60 years of pioneering excellence in the North Sea. bp's leadership has sustained the UK offshore energy sector, contributing to the nation's economic growth, skills base and supply chain."

- Dave Whitehouse, Offshore Energies UK chief executive



"It's amazing to think of the technological changes, achievements and breakthroughs since 1964. It's also inspiring, because that innovation, boldness and transformation is going to deliver the next chapters of offshore energy."

- Stuart Payne, North Sea Transition Authority chief executive



"bp's presence in driving innovation, the development of subsea technology, supply chain development and employment, and their commitment to energy transition supports a legacy for the region that they can be very proud of."

- Councillor Gillian Owen, Aberdeenshire Council leader



"bp has been a major part of Aberdeen and the wider north-east's economy for decades. bp is the strategic partner of Aberdeen City Council as we work to achieve the goals of our net-zero vision to become a climate-positive city."

- Councillor Ian Yuill, Aberdeen City Council co-leader

## bp enters new century

**1997-1998**  
First oil from the region's first floating assets: To access deepwater resources west of Shetland, bp introduces the Petrojarl Foinaven floating production, storage and offloading (FPSO) vessel in the Foinaven area in 1997, closely followed by the Schiehallion FPSO.



**2005**  
**Production at Europe's largest oilfield begins:** With an estimated seven billion barrels of oil in place, Clair, located west of Shetland, is considered the largest oilfield on the UK Continental Shelf.

**2017-2018**  
**Expanding west of Shetland:** A major redevelopment of the Schiehallion and Loyal fields in 2017 includes construction and installation of the Glen Lyon FPSO and upgrading of subsea facilities to prolong the life of the hub.



## Looking to the future

**2022**  
**Success in ScotWind offshore leasing round:** As part of its net-zero ambition, bp and its partner EnBW are awarded a lease option off the east coast of Scotland to develop the Morven offshore wind project, with a potential generating capacity of around 2.9 gigawatts.



**2023**  
**ETZ support:** bp pledges £1.25m towards the £6.5m energy incubator and scale-up hub ETZ to be located at Aberdeen's Altens Industrial Estate. The 32,000 sq ft facility will support supply chain expansion and deliver a "cutting-edge innovation ecosystem".



**2024**  
**Aberdeen City Council and bp join forces on hydrogen:** bp Aberdeen Hydrogen Energy Limited - the joint venture between bp and Aberdeen City Council - announces the final investment decision for its Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub project has been agreed.



# Keeping oil & gas flowing

Helping to meet today's energy  
needs from the North Sea



# Developing green hydrogen

In partnership with  
Aberdeen City Council

Aberdeen Hydrogen Hub is expected to start production in 2026.  
This is a digitally rendered image of what the site could look like.

## And, not or.

### **That's how we're backing Britain.**

While today we're mostly in oil and gas, we increased the proportion of our global annual investment that went into our lower carbon & other transition businesses from around 3% in 2019 to around 23% in 2023.

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