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Electricity Networks

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community

Highlands and Islands

Connections CONTACT AND ESCALATION GUIDE

North (SHEPD)

Shetland Islands



Lerwick

Kirkwall

Thurso

Wick

Stornoway

North Caledonia

Kyle of
Lochalsh

Inverness

Aberdeen

Mallaig

Fort William

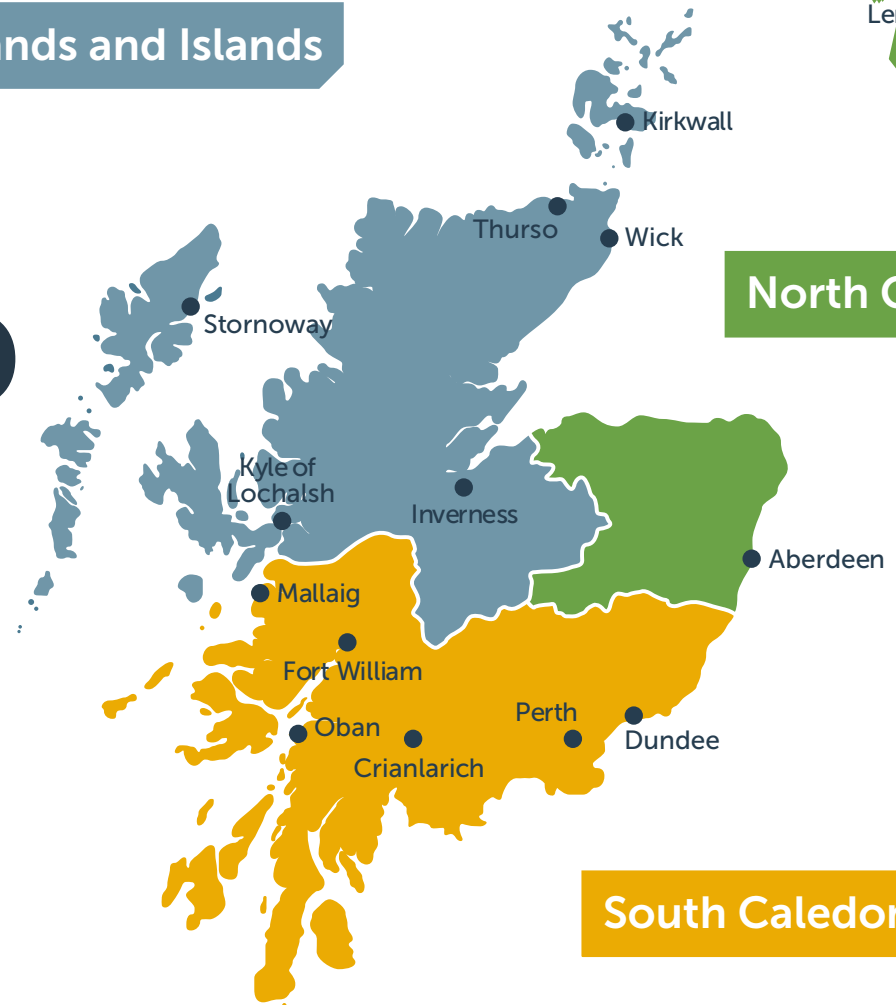
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Crianlarich

South Caledonia



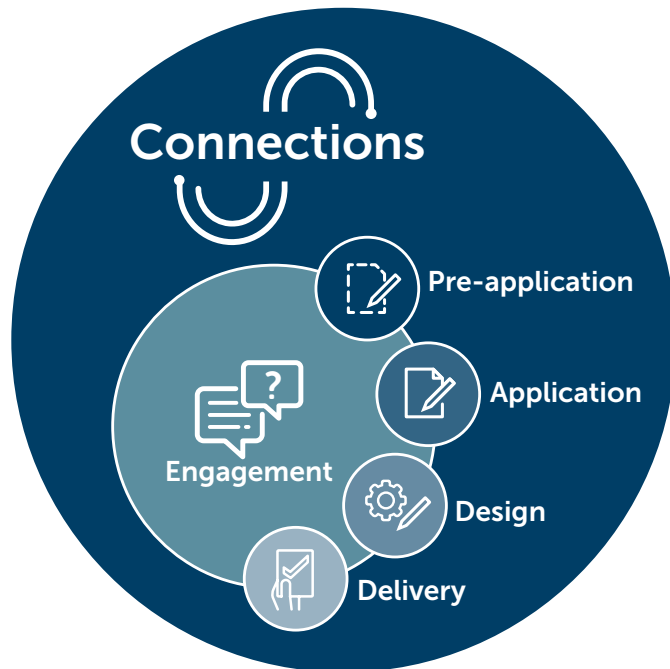
SSEN Connections

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) operates in two licence areas; Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution (SHEPD) in northern Scotland and Southern Electric Power Distribution (SEPD) in central southern England. This guide outlines the contacts and escalation routes for our SHEPD licence area.

About this document

We are committed to offering our customers and stakeholders the very best in customer service. We are keen to equip you with the knowledge, tools and support you need to complete your connections, and provide you with as much information as possible about our processes and procedures to aid your connections journey.

This guide sets out the overarching stages of the connections journey and details the relevant contacts for each stage. It also provides escalation routes.



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Pre-application (through to Delivery)

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Responsible for

- Assisting allocated account portfolios with connections journey from pre-application to delivery
- Ensuring Connection Offers are procured accurately and progressed efficiently upon acceptance
- Arranging pre-application meetings and connections surgeries

Our Contract Managers are involved throughout the connections journey and can be contacted at any stage.

If you would like to book a meeting regarding one or more prospective project(s), please contact

commercial.contracts@sse.com

If you would like to book a meeting regarding one or more projects already in progress, please sign up to attend one of our monthly connections surgeries here:

www.ssen.co.uk/stakeholderevent/basicsearch/

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Contract Managers

2nd point of escalation is
Peter Sipawa,
Connections Contracts Team Senior Manager

3rd point of escalation is
Susana Neves e Brooks,
Head of Connections Policy & Performance

4th point of escalation is
Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Application Team Managers

Applications & Quote Acceptance



Rowena Langford

Microgen Team manager
North & South microgen applications

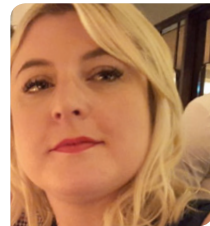
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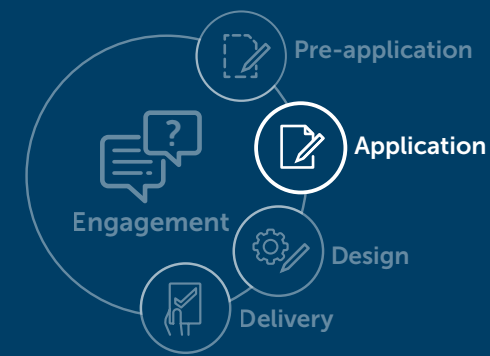


Kerrie Coan

Telephony Team Manager

Minor connection applications &
all connections enquiries

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Responsible for

- Raising applications
- Taking payments
- Providing guidance on application and quotation process

Our Application & Quote Acceptance team are happy to provide help and advice on the application and quote acceptance process via phone or email. Applications can be raised via phone, email or online

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Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Application Team Managers

2nd point of escalation is
Jacob Coates
Decarbonisation Application Performance Manager

3rd point of escalation is
Hayley Joynson,
Head of Minor Customer Connections

4th point of escalation is
Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Minor Customer Connections Managers



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Performance Manager

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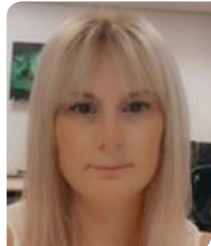
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Responsible for

- Managing our Connections Service Centre for all customer applications
- Assists our Minor Connections Customers throughout their journey from application all the way through to the delivery of the project
- Process acceptances and payments for connections quotes
- Drives the development for self service and automation of quoting
- Manages the financial closure of projects

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Minor Customer Connections Managers

2nd point of escalation is
Hayley Joynson, Head of Minor Connections

3rd point of escalation is
Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Design

Contestable

Work that can be completed by an alternative provider (an ICP or an IDNO)



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Non-Contestable

Work that only the DNO can undertake



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Planning

System planners assess the network to ensure everything is within the allowances



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Responsible for

- Designing required works for your connection
- Quoting required works for your connection
- Providing guidance on design and quotation processes
- Assessment of the network to ensure everything is within the allowances

Our Design team are happy to provide help and advice on the design and quotation process via phone or email

If you would like to book a meeting regarding one or more prospective project(s), please contact

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If you would like to book a meeting regarding one or more projects already in progress, please sign up to attend one of our monthly connections surgeries here:

www.ssen.co.uk/stakeholderevent/basicsearch/

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is

Design Managers ,
System Planning Managers

2nd point of escalation is

Barry Will, Head of Connections Design, Quote & Delivery SHEPD

3rd point of escalation is

Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Delivery

Connections Delivery Managers



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Responsible for:

- Carrying out onsite works including land rights
- Delivering your connection
- Providing guidance on the delivery process

Our Connections Delivery team are split into four key areas:

Minor Connections: Up to 4 new connections or 1 new supply up to 69kva, Service Alterations

Large Connections: 4 or more new connections, 1 supply larger than 69kva, diversions, disconnections

Major Projects: Large connections requiring 33/132kV works

Competition in Connections (CiC): Connections projects for Independent Connection Providers or Independent Distribution Network Operators

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Connections Delivery Managers
Lead Wayleave Officers

2nd point of escalation is
Barry Will,
Head of Connections Design, Quote & Delivery (SHEPD)

Final point of escalation is
Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Large Capital Delivery

Major Projects and Large connections requiring 33/132kV works



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Responsible for:

- Major Projects and Large connections requiring 33/132kV works
- Large Capital Delivery is responsible for all large capital and customer connection projects

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Project Directors

2nd point of escalation is
Donald MacKinnon,
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3rd point of escalation is
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Flexible Services

Flexible Solutions Team



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Responsible for:

Overseeing the roll out of certain proven innovations that require more support once they have been installed and commissioned.

Currently this means they are responsible for rolling out Active Network Management and other types of flexible connections across both our distribution areas, north and south for the benefits of your connection and to the UK customer in general.

If you have any queries in regards to Flexible Connection opportunities, please contact flexible.connections@sse.com

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
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Flexible Solutions Manager

Customer Service, Vulnerability & Strategy



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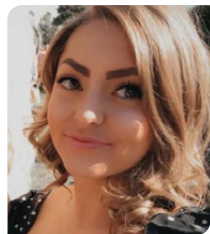
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Responsible for:

- Customer Service Strategy for SSEN
- ED2 Customer Strategy Objectives
- Customer Vulnerability Strategy
- Service Design Authority for SSEN
- Customer Change & Improvement portfolio
- Strategic oversight of welfare during storms & welfare/manual framework
- PSR Social Obligations & Strategy
- Customer Digital Strategy & Website ownership
- Customer Performance & Standards. Insight Analysis & Reporting

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Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is
Troy Fisher,
Customer Journey & Experience Design Lead

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Andrew Scott,
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Customer Contact Centres



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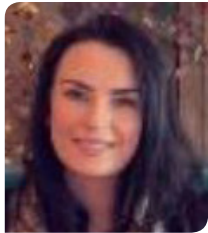
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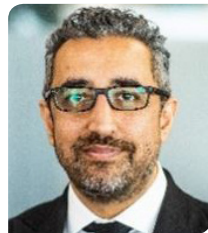
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Legal

Raaj is a commercial property solicitor and is the Head of Legal (Property) Distribution, based in our Reading office, advising on property, planning and environmental issues.

Raaj leads a team of 10 lawyers based across Reading, Perth, Glasgow and Inverness. His team spend most of their time working on real estate transactions for SEPD / SHEPD. Between the in-house team and the external panel firms, Raaj steers c.3,000 live transactions.



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Responsible for:

- Interface with the SSEN customer for faults & general enquiries
- Customer interface during storms
- Written, digital, telephony & verbal interaction with customers
- Customer complaints & executive complaints
- Resource management of Contact Centres

Points of escalation

1st point of escalation is

Jade Law,
Complaints Manager

2nd point of escalation is

Gemma Wilson,
Head of Customer Contact Centres

3rd point of escalation is

Andrew Scott,
Director of Customer Service



Escalation Route for North (SHEPD)

Our networks business is split into three regions, each with a dedicated leadership team; North Caledonia, South Caledonia and the Highlands and Islands.

The end-to-end connections customer journey is the sole responsibility of the Connections Directorate.

This change, brought about in 2019, provides our customers and stakeholders visibility of staff responsibility and accountability throughout the journey, from application to delivery.

Highlands and Islands

Shetland Islands



North Caledonia



South Caledonia



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Application

Engagement



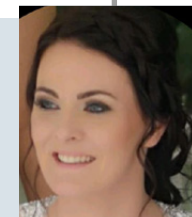
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Design

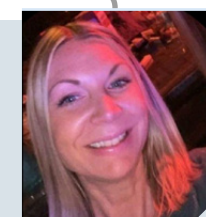


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Application



Gemma Wilson

Head of Customer Contact Centres

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Contact Centre

Complaints

Compliments & Complaints

Compliments

We are keen to hear your good news stories and positive experiences with our team members. If you have received particularly good service, why not commend the person or team responsible? It lets us know what we are doing right, highlights good working practices that we can all adopt and encourages certain ways of working. Compliments can be sent to the Connections Engagement team at:

connectionsfeedback@sse.com



Complaints

We always aim to provide the best service possible, however we do understand that sometimes we don't always get it right. If you should experience this, and would like to raise a complaint you can do this via telephone, email or online

The easiest and quickest way to resolve a complaint is to telephone us:

0800 980 1395

Monday to Saturday between 08:00 – 16:00

If you are unable to phone or would prefer to write, you can contact us by email:

customercomplaints@ssen.co.uk

You can also complete our online complaints form:

www.ssen.co.uk/Complaints/



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