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Qualification and

Memberships

- BSc (Hons) LandscapeEcology
- Full member of CIEEM
- Nature Scot Licences
 - Bat Roost Visitor
 - Bat Low Impact Licence (BLIMP)
 - GCN
 - Schedule 1 Birds
 - Otter Survey
- Natural England Licences
 - Bat Class 2
 - GCN Class 1
- CSCS (2026)
- CAT1A HV Substation Certification (SSER)
- PTS (AC, DCCR, OLEC)

Company Number: SC 719621 VAT Number: 407027330

Key Services

Ecological Survey and Assessment (PEA, EcIA)
Ecological Constraints and Opportunities
Ecological Clerk of Works
Habitat Regulations Appraisal (HRA)
Habitat and Species Protection / Mitigation Plans
Habitat Management Plans
Licence Application and Agent works
Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG)

Company Background and Ethos

Strathearn Ecology is run by Simon Inger, an ecologist with 20 years' experience working across the UK on a wide range of projects and developments.

Strathearn Ecology specialises in providing ecological services at all stages of a project, from initial inception, through planning and construction, and post-construction monitoring and management.

Working closely with clients and contractors, Strathearn Ecology aims to deliver the best for every project and biodiversity.

Based in Perthshire, Strathearn Ecology is ideally placed to provide project support across Scotland and Northern England.



Project Examples

Energy

- Nexans / SSE Onshore Cable Project, Angus (2019 2022) Contractor support during planning and pre-construction stages, onshore ECoW for client during construction stage.
- Farr Windfarm, Highlands (2008) Providing ecological support in connection otter and water vole, including licenced activities.
- Confidential Windfarm Scoping Surveys (2013 2015) Ecological survey including protected species, ornithological surveys (vantage point and breeding bird surveys) and habitat mapping for a range of sites across Scotland
- SSE / Balfour Beatty Beauly Denny 400kV Transmission Line (2004 2012) surveys and reporting for ES (amphibians, birds, protected mammals, FWPM), Pre-construction surveys (protected species and reptiles) including reporting, species protection plans and licencing, construction phase ECoW and licenced works).
- AMEC Aultmore Windfarm (2004 2007) Wintering bird surveys (geese) in support of a windfarm development including vantage point surveys, roost counts and field foraging surveys.

Hydro

- SSE Bat Assessment at hydro stations (2015 2018) Bat appraisals at various hydro sites and provide advice and mitigation at several stations including successful bespoke bat mitigation for large maternity roosts.
- SSE GCN Assessment, Contin (2016) GCN HSI and eDNA surveys of ponds where there are historical records in the Highlands where works are scheduled to take.
- Glenhydro Allanfauld Hydro (2015) Ecological Assessment including vegetation (Phase 1 and NVC), Protected Species and peat depth monitoring
- Confidential Hydro Option Surveys (2013 2016) working with the client at several locations across Scotland to provide ecological constraints and opportunity reports as part of options appraisals



Project Examples

Rail

- Control Period 6 (2020 2022) Various Clients delivering ecological surveys and advice ahead of refurbishment work for over 100 structures. PEA, HRA Screening, Bat surveys and licencing, bird surveys (inc Schedule 1), otter, badger, water vole, red squirrel, pine marten, fish assessment and FWPM.
- BAM Highland Enhancement Programme (HEP) (2018 2019) ECoW, Ecology Manager and named licence agent (badger, bats and otter)
- BAM Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Project (2018) Ecology Manager and named licence agent (badger, bats and otter)
- NWR Invasive Species Validation Project (2017) validation of more than 800 locations across Scotland in respect to INNS including species and extent.
- BAM Borders Railway (2012) Ecological survey (bats, barn owl and badger), badger licence works.

Road Transport

- Confidential A96 Ecological survey support (phase 1 habitat survey, breeding bird survey, protected species monitoring).
- Haul Road, Argyll survey support including protected species, habitats, pearl bordered fritillary butterfly survey and mitigation.

Industrial and Housing

- New City Vision Glasgow Graving Dock (2017) Ecological Appraisal of land in support of a mixed-use development – PEA, protected species and bat surveys.
- ABC Ltd Dumbarton Road, Stirling (2016) Ecological Impact Assessment of land in support of development. Bat roost surveys, successful licence application and enactment as part of building warrant.
- Confidential East Broxburn Housing (2013) Ecological Impact Assessment for a large, proposed mixed development scheme including PEA, GCN assessment, badger assessment (including wider area survey and territory mapping), vegetation assessment, breeding bird surveys and general protected species surveys.
- SEL Gartcosh Industrial Park (2004 2010) GCN translocations and pond destruction, pond management and monitoring, ECoW, land management and management plans.