OFGEM Call for Evidence re

SP ENERGY NETWORKS RIIO-T3 Business Plan 2026 -2031

1. Response from Ardrossan Scout Group
2. Commenting on SP Energy Networks RIIO-T3 2026-2031, P57 & 58 RIIO-T3 Net Zero Fund
3. Non confidential
4. Ardrossan Scout Group is an educational charity, registered with OSCR (Scottish Charity Regulator) SC011044. Our group wishes to support the proposals for the continuation of the Net Zero Fund. We have benefitted from the Net Zero Fund, at a time when costs are escalating and community groups are struggling to find funding.

Our project is the refurbishment including retrofitting our 1960s building to add insulation, new triple glazed windows, LED lighting and installation of an air source heat pump. Our building is coming to the end of its lifespan and is in need of major upgrading.

It is not just used by the various sections of the Scout Group, but is used by a number of community groups. We want to expand that use and make it a real community hub. We want to be able to offer a warm welcoming space to community users. We are within an area where there are some high levels of deprivation.

The Net Zero Fund has been invaluable for us and without it we would not be able to complete the refurbishment. It will benefit our users in improving the facility, reduce energy costs which can be reinvested back into the running and maintenance of the building to ensure it remains an affordable space for all. It will also reduce our carbon emissions and contribute towards the transition to net zero. We intend to share our learning from this project with our Scout sections and community users and show how we are contributing towards the transition to net zero. This learning will also be helpful for our Scout sections in working towards Global Issues and Community Impact badges. In addition to the funding itself, we have benefitted from the help and advice given to us by the Net Zero Team.