

From the low tide of the sea to the highest mountain tops

Community ownership of the Isle of Eigg

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## Eigg

Located off the West coast of Scotland

Part of the Small Isles

Size: 9km by 5km (31km<sup>2</sup>)

Accessible by ferry from Mallaig

5 days a week in winter

6 days a week in summer

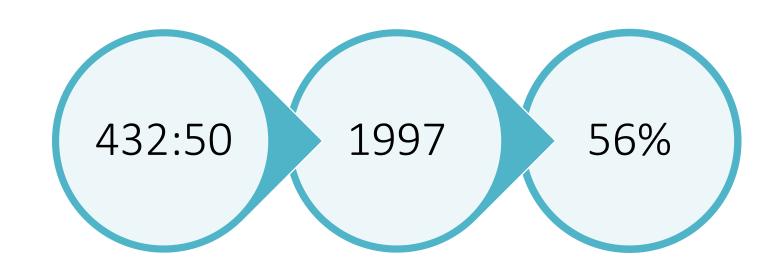
(weather permitting)

Services

Primary School Secondary School (Mallaig) GP (Sleat, Skye)



# History

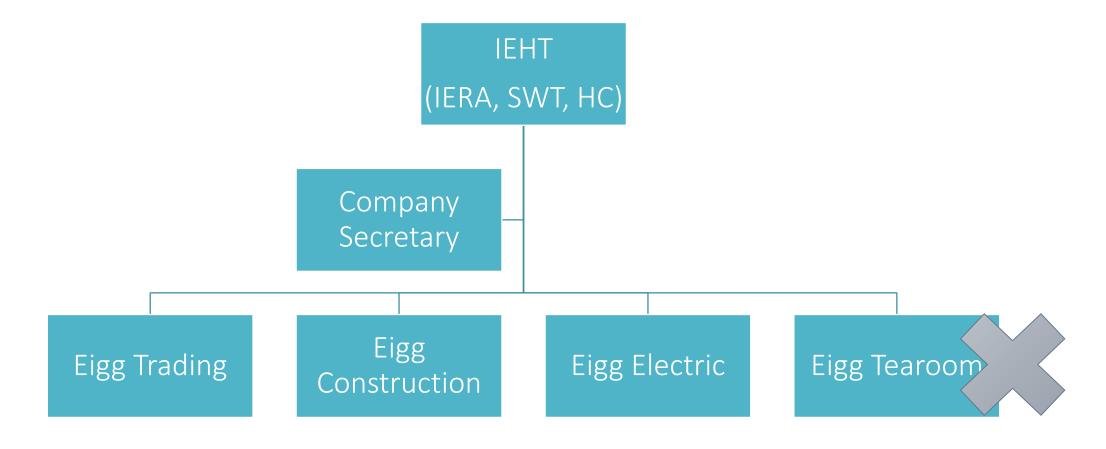


# The Buyout: 12<sup>th</sup> June 1997





## Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust



### An Laimhrig (Hub)

- o Shop
- o Tearoom
- o Craft Shop
- o Toilets/ Showers
- o IEHT Office



### Housing:

- Secure affordable tenancies
- Refurbished Trust housing
- Housing Policy: Affordable plots for self build
- o Sales: e.g. Lodge







### Land Management:

- Crofting: Created 4 new crofts
- Restructured 3 Farms
- o Infrastructure improvements: Fencing, Dyking, Paths
- Forest Management (250Ha)
- o Environmental improvements: Peatland, Native woodlands







#### Island Wide Electrification Scheme

- o Island Grid (11km cable)
- 3 Hydro Schemes (1 \* 100kW, 2 \* 6kW)
- 4 Wind Turbines (4 \* 6kW)
- o PV (50kW)
- o Diesel Back Up
- Energy Control Measures (5kW/ house, 10kW/ business)
- Battery Storage





## Achievements: Partnerships

New Pier & Ferry: Highland Council & CalMac

o GP Surgery: NHS Highland

Broadband: Hebnet

Volunteering: SNH & SWT

Eigg Lodge: Earth Connections

Community Hall: Eigg Community Association





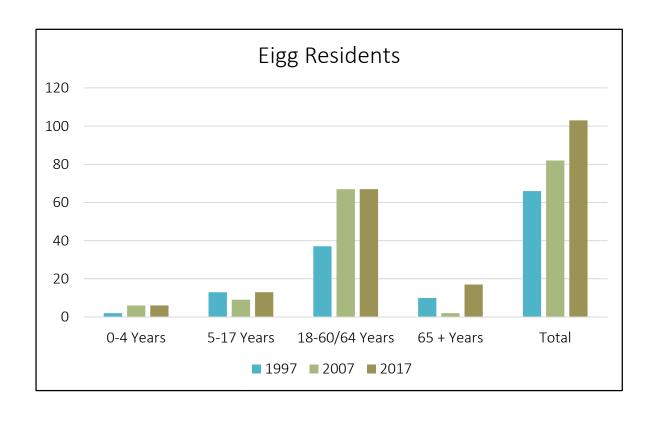


# EU Support

LEADER	RDP	Structural Funds
IEHT – An Laimhrig/Tearoom	IEHT – Forest Management	IEHT - Electrification
IEHT – Development Manager	IEHT – Small Scale Processing	HC - Piers
IEHT – Hydro	Tenants - Various	Calmac - Ferry
IEHT - Training		
IEHT – Wood Fuel Phase 1		
Hebnet - Broadband		
Small Isles CC: Marketing		

## Transformation

### **Sustainable Population**





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#### Sustainable Livelihoods



eiggtime.com







anneadhandknitwear.co.uk

### What Next for IEHT

### **Growing our Community**

4 New Affordable Houses for Rent

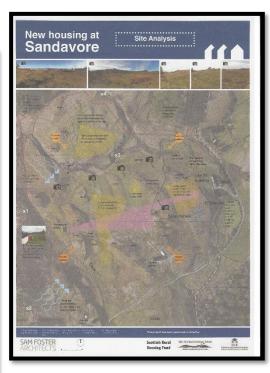
### Reinvesting in Infrastructure

- Upgrading Electric
- New Community Hub at Galmisdale

### Long Term Financial Sustainability

- o Camping Pods
- Wood Fuel Business







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