

## PTSG contracted at 'The Big Hoose'

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[Premier Technical Services Group Ltd \(PTSG\)](#) has secured an order to provide specialist electrical services at Barlinnie prison in Glasgow.

HM Prison Barlinnie is the largest prison in Scotland. It is operated by the Scottish Prison Service and is located in the residential suburb of Riddrie, in the north-east of Glasgow, Scotland. It is informally known locally as The Big Hoose, Bar and Bar-L. In 2018, plans for its closure were announced.

Barlinnie prison's five accommodation halls: A, B, C, D and E, were built in stages between 1882 and 1897, with each holding approximately 69 inmates.

There was a major extension to the perimeter in 1967 to create an industrial compound. From 1973 till 1994, the world-famous "Special Unit" placed emphasis on rehabilitation, the best-known success story being that of reformed Glasgow gangster Jimmy Boyle. Cultural output associated with the Special Unit included Boyle's autobiography, *A Sense of Freedom* (1977); *The Hardman* (1977), the play Boyle wrote with Tom McGrath; a body of sculpture; and *The Silent Scream* (1979), a book of prose and poems by Larry Winters, who committed suicide in 1977.

In this contract, engineers from [PTSG Electrical Services Ltd](#) will design, supply, install, test and commission a new lightning protection and surge protection system at the prison.

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