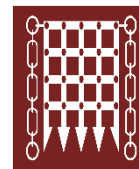


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Next steps for hydrogen policy in the UK

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **The updated UK Hydrogen Strategy and priorities for policy and coordination**
Jane Toogood, Co-Chair, UK Hydrogen Delivery Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **The role of hydrogen in the renewable energy transition and priorities for sustainable production**
James Collins, Head, Business Development, ITM Power
- 9.40 **Commercial viability, economic sustainability, and environmental benefits within alternative technology pathways**
hydrogen-to-power business model implementation / coordination of supply and demand in early market development / demand-side mandates, risk mitigation, and public-private funding frameworks / long-term investment certainty and market confidence / green and blue hydrogen within strategy priorities / costs of green hydrogen production and the role of CCUS in blue hydrogen pathways / implementation of the Low Carbon Hydrogen Standard and certification schemes, including emissions thresholds and international linkages / insights from HAR1 and HAR2, including design, strike price and delivery obligations under Low Carbon Hydrogen Agreements / allocation of liabilities across project lifetimes / implications for technology deployment, assessment strategies, and UK competitiveness in global markets
Ross Fairley, Senior Partner, Burges Salmon
Senior representative, blue hydrogen
Senior representative, finance
Senior academic
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Regulatory framework and market development**
Senior representative, regulation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.10 **Hydrogen to power - priorities for network integration and regulation**
Matt Barney, Chief Hydrogen Officer, GeoPura
Senior representative, networks
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Practical application of hydrogen, infrastructure development, and its role in economic growth**
applications of the hydrogen transport and storage network funding commitment / development of regional clusters in Merseyside, Teesside and the Humber / coordination and integration with existing energy infrastructure / alignment with Industrial Strategy 2025, clean energy planning, and regional economic development goals / workforce transition and job creation / supply chain development, manufacturing capacity, and the domestic value chain / hydrogen deployment beyond industry, including transport and domestic heat / heat pump deployment / planning and permitting signals for future hydrogen demand / long-term purchase contracts and offtake structures / Zero Emission HGV programme and heavy transport applications / skills pipeline development / interoperability across the energy system, including storage, distribution, and DPA linkages
Justine Fosh, CEO, Cogent Skills
Senior representative, industrial sector
Senior representative, hydrogen transport and storage
Senior representative, supply chain
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Next steps for hydrogen policy and development**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Forum Projects closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Forum Projects