

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

Priorities for maximising offshore wind potential in the UK

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 12th December 2023

Taking place online



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon Alun Cairns MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Security
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for maximising offshore wind potential across the UK - project contracts, investor confidence, and maximising offshore contribution to the UK energy mix**
Helena Charlton, Deputy Director for Renewable Electricity Delivery, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Assessing opportunities and challenges for industry - finance, costs, and innovation**
James Brabben, Senior Regulatory Affairs Manager, RWE
- 9.50 **Maximising offshore energy production - policy support, funding and investment, infrastructure and supply chain costs, R&D and technology, and environmental stewardship**
Steve Jermy, Chief Executive Officer, Celtic Sea Power
William Apps, Head of Marine Development, The Crown Estate
Julian Boswall, Partner, Burges Salmon
Dr Anne Velenturf, Senior Research Fellow in Circular Economy, School of Civil Engineering, University of Leeds
Tim Harding, Head of Government Relations and Public Affairs, ORE Catapult
- 10.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Rt Hon Alun Cairns MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Security
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Redesdale, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies
- 11.10 **Unlocking the grid to meet offshore energy production demand - overcoming capacity, storage, and connectivity hurdles**
Rebecca Sedler, Managing Director, Interconnectors, National Grid
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 Break
- 11.45 **International markets and offshore potential in the North Sea**
Richard Crossick, Head of Public Affairs UK, Ørsted
- 12.00 **Priorities for developing capacity and connectivity - maximising grid capacity and storage, ensuring network reach, and assessing energy consumption and impact on consumers**
Susan McDonald, Energy Transition Lead, Net Zero Transformation Team, Deloitte
Professor Chris Baines, Chair, Stakeholder Advisory Group, National Grid
Steve Edwards, Commercial Director, Port of Milford Haven
Chris Lloyd, Co-Founder, Offshore Wind Learning
- 12.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Lord Redesdale, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies
Holly Attwell, Senior Researcher, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum