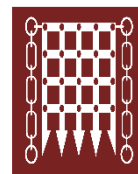


Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

Next steps for onshore wind in England

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Key policy and regulatory developments, and implications for onshore wind in England**
Professor Jim Watson, Professor, Energy Policy, University College London
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Assessing government plans for scaling up onshore wind in England - planning, consenting, community engagement, and environmental impact**
the Clean Power 2030 Action Plan and its impact on onshore wind expansion | reintroduction of onshore wind into the NSIP regime and impact on streamlining project approvals | addressing stakeholder concerns regarding the 100MW NSIP threshold | enhancing community engagement and consultation processes | balancing national policy objectives with local decision-making in project approvals | realising the potential local economic impact of onshore wind farms | priorities for environmental protection and mitigating the impact of development on local ecosystems and landscapes
Dr Rebecca Windemer, Planning Lead, Regen
Cathryn Tracey, Director, Planning and Compulsory Purchase, Burges Salmon
Senior representative, local government
Senior representative, environment
Senior representative, communities
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 **Grid infrastructure and connections - the way forward for wind power integration into the UK electricity network**
Senior representative, grid
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.25 **Rolling out onshore wind in England - infrastructure, innovation, and tackling sector skills gaps**
encouraging public and private sector investment in onshore wind projects | supply chain resilience | innovation in turbine efficiency, storage solutions, and digital monitoring | research and development priorities for next-generation wind technologies | addressing skills shortages in wind energy manufacturing, installation, and maintenance | positioning the UK as a leader in onshore wind and clean energy innovation
Stephen Barrett, Director, Membership and Strategic Engagement, Energy and Utility Skills
Senior representative, investment
Senior representative, technology
Senior representative, infrastructure
Senior academic
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Next steps for the rollout of onshore wind**
Daniel Cox, Deputy Director, Renewable Electricity Strategy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum