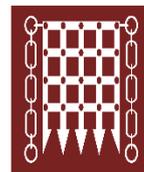


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Next steps for onshore wind in England

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Onshore wind in England - key policy and regulatory developments**
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Stakeholder priorities for implementation of the Onshore Wind Taskforce Strategy and scaling up onshore wind in England**
assessing Strategy recommendations | implementation timelines and sequencing | practicalities for progressing towards CP30 uplift for England and Wales | alignment with the Clean Energy Sector Plan and Modern Industrial Strategy | coordinating consent with planning reform | approaches to driving public support and overcoming barriers | models for local ownership and sharing benefits
Pete West, Director, Energy Local Bridport
Senior speaker confirmed from **Burges Salmon**
Senior representative, industry
Senior representative, environment
Senior representative, local government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Regulatory priorities and coordination for accelerated onshore wind deployment**
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
- 11.05 **Rolling out onshore wind in England - infrastructure, investment, market growth, and workforce development**
investor and market confidence | mobilising public investment mechanisms | leveraging private capital | innovation in financing structures and project delivery | supply chain resilience | growing regional clusters and onshoring component manufacture | developing regional skills pipelines | key issues for workforce planning | aligning with the Clean Energy Jobs Plan
Senior representative, investment
Senior representative, skills
Senior representative, supply chain
Senior representative, infrastructure
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 **Preparing the grid for increased onshore wind deployment**
grid connection readiness and capacity | coordination between network operators, central and local government | grid assessment frameworks | progress on electricity market reform | coordination with infrastructure providers | aligning with the Strategic Spatial Energy Plan
Matthew Bacon, Head, Onshore Wind Market Development UK, Vattenfall
Senior representative, grid
Senior representative, network operator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Implementing the Onshore Wind Taskforce Strategy and priorities for policy**
India Brattan, Head, Onshore Wind, 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