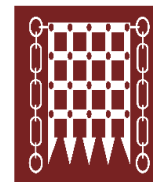


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Next steps for energy storage policy, regulation and market development in the UK**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Policy and implementation priorities for storage and flexibility in the UK**
Duncan Stone, Deputy Director, Electricity System Flexibility, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Thermal storage and flexibility - opportunities for system efficiency and decarbonisation**
Kevin O'Shea, Thermal Storage Policy Officer, Association for Decentralised Energy
- 9.40 **Priorities for developing demand-side flexibility and distributed storage**
overcoming barriers affecting households, offices and distributed storage participation in flexibility markets | aggregation, market access and incentives | practical considerations for widening participation across different storage models | flexibility market reform | system resilience | Clean Flexibility Roadmap delivery progress
Steven Gough, Head, Flexibility, Elexon
Chris Pritchett, Partner, Shoosmiths
Andrew Clint, CEO, myenergi
Senior representative, community
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.35 Break
- 10.45 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 **Scaling investment and deployment of system-level electricity storage**
implementation of the LDES cap and floor scheme, following the Minded-to Decisions List for Window 1 | lessons emerging from the first application window, including technology neutrality and priorities for future allocation rounds | draft special licence conditions, technical requirements and revenue management | implications of Innovate UK's investment competition for electrochemical ultra-long duration energy storage | supporting investor confidence and long-term revenue certainty as projects move towards construction and operation | commercialisation pathways for emerging technologies | practical considerations around technology suitability, scalability and resilience | developments in the Capacity Market and Reformed National Pricing | implications of evolving market rules for investment decisions | future arrangements for cross-border electricity trading and wider market participation | supply chain capacity and materials availability
Tom Palmer, Head, Business Development, Zenobē
Ben Guest, Managing Director, Energy Transition, Gresham House Energy Storage Fund
Ingrid Edmund, Managing Director, Investments and Advisory, National Wealth Fund
Professor Simone Abram, Executive Director, Durham Energy Institute, Durham University
Senior speaker confirmed from **AFRY**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Planning, connections and system coordination**
implications of the DESNZ-Ofgem open letter and recent consultation on accelerating electricity network connections | approaches to reducing delays in the connections queue | priorities for network build, strategic coordination and balancing with demand | planning and permitting frameworks, including land use and siting considerations | implications of devolution | delivery of the Regional Energy Strategic Plan and Strategic Spatial Energy Plan, including implications for whole-system coordination | workforce capacity and skills for storage deployment and network build | planning and permitting considerations for grid-scale BESS | battery safety, speculative development and environmental impacts | lifecycle and decommissioning responsibilities | management of legacy and stranded assets | assessing strategic approaches to community engagement and addressing local concerns
Andrew Enzor, Head, Regulation, Field Energy
Senior representative, grid
Senior representative, planning
Senior representative, local authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Regulatory priorities for enabling Long Duration Electricity Storage**
Gordon Hayward-Grant, Deputy Director, Long Duration Electricity Storage, Ofgem
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