

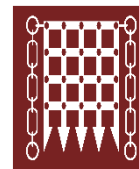
## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

### Next steps for hydrogen policy in the UK

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2026

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Wera Hobhouse MP**
- 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  
**Dr Gareth Williams**, Director, Hydrogen Innovation Initiative; and Director, Strategic Development, High Value Manufacturing Catapult  
**Professor Nazmiye Balta-Ozkan**, Head, Centre for Energy Systems and Strategy, Cranfield University; and UK National Director, Global Hydrogen Production Technologies Center  
**Marta Csibra**, Head of Strategy & Business Development, EET Hydrogen  
**William Tebbit**, Senior Managing Director, Ryze Power UK  
**Chester Lewis**, Head, Sourcing and Commercial, Ryze Power UK
- 10.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 **Regulatory framework and market development**  
Senior representative, regulation  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Wera Hobhouse MP**
- 11.00 Break
- 11.10 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 **Hydrogen to power - priorities for network integration and regulation**  
**Matt Barney**, Chief Hydrogen Officer, GeoPura  
**Dr Danielle Stewart**, Project Director, Project Union, National Gas  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 **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, North Sea Future Plan, clean energy planning, and regional economic development goals / workforce transition and job creation / supply chain development, manufacturing capacity, and meeting domestic value chain targets / 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  
**Professor Paul Dodds**, Professor, Energy Systems, University College London  
**Marian Garfield**, Director, Sustainability, Heidelberg Materials UK  
**Bean Beanland**, Director for Growth and External Affairs, Heat Pump Federation  
Senior representative, hydrogen transport and storage  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.40 **Next steps for hydrogen policy and development**  
**Paul Henderson**, Deputy Director, Hydrogen Strategy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.10 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum