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Minutes of Annual General Meeting **Wednesday 1st July 2015, 4.00pm** **Committee Room U, Portcullis House**

Present:

Ian Liddell-Grainger, MP (Chairman)

Christopher Pincher, MP

Huw Irranca-Davies, MP

Matt Warman, MP

Eilidh Whiteford, MP

Lord O'Neill of Clackmannan

Lord Redesdale

Lord Skelmersdale

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from

Dr Theresa Coffey, MP; Lord Boswell of Aynho; Lord Palmer

2. Minutes of previous AGM

The minutes of the annual general meeting held on Wednesday 8th July 2014 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Report for 2014/5

The Chairman outlined the process of selection and appointment of the new Secretariat. It was agreed that the selection process set up by the Executive Council should continue and short list candidates interviewed.

4. All-Party Parliamentary Rule Changes

Following rule changes agreed by both Houses, the Group must change from an Associate Group to an All-Party Parliamentary Group. Changes are required; in reporting, public availability of documents and voting rights for Parliamentarians.

Officers:

Neil Parish, MP; James Heapey, MP, Ian Lavery, MP
The Rt Hon Lord Hunt of Kings Heath OBE
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In future, only Parliamentarians will be allowed to vote, but it was decided to keep the structure of PGES the same, then, on any issues, allow industrial and other members to express their views, then Parliamentarians to vote.

5. Accounts

Accounts for the year were presented and approved. The Chairman announced that the accounts for the year to 28th February 2015 showed an operating surplus of £18,526 for 2014-15. This left reserves at £43,532.

6. Future programme:

Amber Rudd, Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change has agreed in principle to speak at our Annual Lords Dinner, which will be early in 2016. Approaches had also been made to senior civil servants within DECC and would be made to the Shadow Secretary of State when announced.

7. Election of Officers and members of Executive Council from the Parliamentary membership for 2015-16

Chris Pincher, MP to take the Chair for the election

The following have offered to serve:

<i>Chairman</i>	Ian Liddell-Grainger MP
<i>Officers</i>	Rt Hon Lord Hunt of Kings Heath OBE Lord O'Neill of Clackmannan Lord Skelmersdale Lord Oxburgh Neil Parish MP Ian Lavery MP
<i>European Officer</i>	Vicky Ford MEP
<i>Executive Council</i>	Christopher Chope OBE MP Julie Elliott MP Huw Irranca-Davies MP Albert Owen MP Chris Pincher MP Dr Eilidh Whiteford MP

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<i>Membership Lead</i>	Robert Lane CBE	CMS Cameron McKenna
<i>Executive Council</i>		
Dr Simon Harrison	Institution of Engineering & Technology	
David Jefferies CBE		
Joan MacNaughton CB		
Michael Roberts OBE		
Ruth Thompson OBE	National Renewable Energy Centre (Narec)	
Stephen Vaughan	Rothschild	
Barbara Vest	Energy UK	
Graham Ward CBE	World Energy Council	
John Wybrew OBE	Ofgem	
Ian Graves	Costain	
Martin Fry	City University	

9. AOB

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The Chairman emphasised the need for sponsors of *Energy Focus* either through sponsored articles or traditional adverts.

10. Any business those present would like to raise not previously covered

No further matters were raised

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