

# **All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies**



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## **Annual Report 2016-17**

## PARLIAMENTARY GROUP FOR ENERGY STUDIES

### History

Founded in 1980, the Group was established by former Conservative MP for Lanark and 17th Earl of Lauderdale, Patrick Francis Maitland, and The Rt Hon. Dr J. Dickson Mabon, former MP for Greenock and Port Glasgow and Labour Minister for Energy from 1976-79. It remains the only Parliamentary Group to cover all areas of the energy sector.

This diversity of expertise is evidenced by the broad range of subjects covered throughout the years by our monthly guest speakers and, more recently, by contributors to *Energy Focus*. Recent topics have included heat, the Energy Market Review by the Competition and Markets Authority, SNP and EU energy policy and an international perspective from the Edison Electric Institute.

### Mission statement

To provide a high-level forum for Parliament, industry, academia and others to discuss key energy issues, and share knowledge and expertise across the whole of the sector.

To promote the importance of these issues among key audiences, and foster an informed, long-term view of domestic and international energy policy.

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PGES continues at full strength. This Annual Report is being published as Parliament returns following the early General Election in June 2017. Energy is bound to be affected by this.

Every year, I write that we live in interesting times, again, this year is no exception. The past year has certainly been interesting for both UK energy policy and for PGES.

The Permanent Secretary of the newly created Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, Alex Chisholm was our Guest of Honour at the Annual Dinner in the House of Lords in February 2016, supported by National Grid.

The Group formed, for the first time, its energy policy priorities, originally intended in the run up to Brexit negotiation, but now equally pertinent for the new Government. They were presented to Jesse Norman, MP the then Minister of State for Energy and Industrial Strategy and will be represented to the new minister.

*Energy Focus* continues publication, with top-level interviews from across government and contributions from the leaders of sector representative bodies as well as those organisations at the forefront of energy generation, transmission and delivery. This is circulated to an ever growing list of Parliamentarians with an interest in energy.

That's why, whatever the future may hold for UK energy with the UK separate from the EU, I am confident that the Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies, along with its members, will be at the forefront of the policy discussion.

**Ian Liddell-Grainger MP**  
**Chairman, PGES**  
**An All-Party Parliamentary Group**

## **FINANCE**

Accounts for the year to 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016 showed an operating surplus of £10,087 for 2016-17. This year, there have been no exceptional activities to affect finance. This left reserves at £53,619.

### **Accountant's report to members**

Thank you to Ella Cooper at Fewston Business Services, who was appointed last year and has provided accounting services and to Paul Faber ACA at Landau Morley LLP, for guidance and auditing services for the Group.

## **ENERGY FOCUS**

The publication of *Energy Focus* three times a year enables members to hear from a wide range of contributors as well as recording the papers of our speakers at the monthly meetings. The journal also gives members an opportunity to air their views, and is known for its tracking of energy and environmental subjects in Parliament. None of this would have been possible, were it not for the support of Fluor, who have continued to sponsor the publication over several years.

For publication of *Energy Focus* to continue, it is critical that more sponsors support this vital communication with Parliamentarians and industry. Please contact the administrator for details.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership stands at Parliamentarians 99 (of which 52 are MPs, 43 are Peers, 5 MEPs), Associate 122 (of which 9 are Academic Members, 22 are Associations, 65 Companies), Individual 24 (of which 9 are Life Members)

In the last year, membership levels have risen by two. The final four departures who gave notice following the change of administration were closed. However four companies have joined in 2016 and a further two in 2017. Interest in the Group has risen in recent months, with several approaches for membership, which bodes well for the future.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Calon Energy, Nuclear Liabilities, Eastwood Langley, and Savills from 2016 and Peak Gen and Scotia Gas Networks in 2017.

### **Parliamentary**

Ian Duncan, MEP is the Group's European Parliament Officer.

We are in the process of reviewing MPs' memberships following the General Election in June. With the ever increasing pressure on MPs and Peers, their engagement is much appreciated.

### **Associate**

The following 13 have been welcomed as new members since September 2016: Calon Energy, Nuclear Liabilities Fund, Eastwood Langley, Peak Gen and Scotia Gas Networks.

Membership on the 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016 was:

**Parliamentarians**

**House of Commons**

Alan Whitehead MP  
Albert Owen MP  
Andrea Leadsom MP  
Andrew Turner MP  
Brandon Lewis MP  
Chris Pincher MP  
Chris White MP  
Christopher Chope MP  
Clive Betts MP  
Glyn Davies MP  
Clive Efford MP  
Dave Anderson MP  
David Morris MP  
Derek Twigg MP  
Eilidh Whiteford MP  
George Freeman MP  
Huw Irranca-Davies MP  
Ian Lavery MP  
Ian Liddell-Grainger MP  
Ian Lucas MP  
James Reed MP  
Jeremy Lefroy MP  
Jon Trickett MP  
Kevin Barron MP  
Khalid Mahmood MP  
Lindsay Hoyle MP  
Luciana Berger MP  
Mark Garnier MP  
Mark Menzies MP  
Mark Spencer MP  
Mark Tami MP  
Neil Parish MP  
Nigel Adams MP  
Patricia Glass MP  
Paul Farrelly MP  
Peter Aldous MP  
Philip Hollobone MP  
Richard Graham MP  
Robert Goodwill MP  
Ronnie Campbell MP  
Stephen Crabb MP  
Therese Coffey MP  
Tom Watson MP

**European Parliament**

Charles Tannock MEP

Ian Duncan MEP  
Linda McAvan MEP  
Vicky Ford MEP

**House of Lords**

Baroness Eccles  
Baroness Ford  
Duke of Montrose  
Earl of Erroll  
Earl of Lindsay  
Lord Redesdale  
Lord Berkeley  
Lord Boswell  
Lord Bradshaw  
Lord Broers  
Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe  
Lord Cavendish of Furness  
Lord Christopher  
Lord Dixon  
Lord Ezra  
Lord Geddes  
Lord Haskel  
Lord Haworth  
Lord Hoyle of Warrington  
Lord Mogg  
Lord Palmer  
Lord Paul  
Lord Smith of Kelvin  
Lord Stoddart  
Lord Whitty  
Lord Wilson of Tillyorn  
Lord Woolmer of Leeds  
Viscount Brookeborough  
Rt Hon Lord MacLennan of Rogart  
Lord Moynihan  
Rt Hon Lord Smith of Finsbury  
Lord Teverson  
Lord Tombs  
Lord Truscott  
Lorl Turnbull  
Lord Wade of Chorlton  
Baroness Worthington  
Lord Elibank  
Lord Renwick  
Lord Hunt of Kings Heath  
Lord O'Neill of Clackmannan  
Lord Oxburgh  
Lord Skelmersdale

**Associate Members**

City University  
Imperial College  
Kingston University  
University College London  
University of Leeds  
University of Sheffield  
University of Southampton  
University of Warwick  
Association for Decentralised Energy  
BCECA (British Chemical Engineering Contractors Association)  
BEAMA  
Combustion Engineering Association  
Confederation of Paper Industries  
Durham Energy Institute  
Energy and Utilities Alliance  
Energy Institute  
Energy Managers Association  
Energy Networks Association  
Energy Technologies Institute  
EPSRC  
Glass & Glazing Federation  
IChemE  
ICSE  
IET  
Institution of Chemical Engineers  
Major Energy Users Council  
Nuclear Industry Association  
The Carbon Capture & Storage Association

**Companies**

AB Sugar  
ALFA ENERGY  
Alkane Energy  
Andrew Buglass Energy Advisory  
Amec Foster Wheeler  
Ansaldo Nucleare  
Arup  
Babcock International  
Baringa Partners  
Bird & Bird LLP  
Bosch Thermotechnology  
BP  
Brit Management Data Foundation  
Capital Dynamics Ltd.

Clean Energy  
CMS Cameron McKenna  
ConocoPhillips UK Ltd  
Cornwall Energy Associates  
Corona Energy  
DONG Energy  
Doosan Power Systems  
Drax  
E.On  
EDF Energy  
Flexion Ltd  
Energy UK  
Enernoc  
Enertek  
EPEX Spot (was APX)  
ESB  
Esso UK  
Fluor  
The French Embassy  
Good Energy  
Greenenergy  
Hogan Lovells  
Honeywell Trend  
Horizon Nuclear Power  
HSE  
ICE Futures Europe  
International Power  
ITM Power  
Jersey Electricity  
KBR Energy & Chemicals  
KPMG  
Laing O'Rourke  
Local Waste Solutions  
Mott MacDonald  
National Grid  
ND Metering Solutions  
Nexen Petroleum  
Northern Powergrid  
Nuclear Liabilities Fund  
NuGen  
Ofgem  
Oxera  
Phillips 66  
Poyry  
Price Waterhouse Cooper LLP  
Ravenheat Manufacturing

**Associate Members: (continued)**

**Companies**

Rothschild  
RWE npower  
Scottish Power  
Shell International Limited  
Siemens Energy  
Smart Energy GB  
SNC-Lavalin  
South Hook Gas  
Statoil  
Total  
Total Holdings UK  
UK Coal  
UKLPG Association  
UK Power Networks  
USwitch  
Utilita Energy Limited  
Vinci Energies  
Vitol Group  
Wales & West Utilities  
Western Power Distribution  
Worshipful Company of Fuellers

**Individual**

Clive Dawson MBE  
Dr Gordon Adam CEng M.IMMM FEI  
John Hall FEI  
Judith Ward  
Michael Clapham  
Professor Peter Pearson  
Robert Erskine-Murray  
Sir John Hannam  
Professor Jim Waston  
Ruth Thompson OBE  
Graham Ward CBE  
Joan MacNaughton CB  
John Wybrew OBE

**Life**

Giles Chichester  
Paddy Tipping  
Michael Roberts  
Chris Stewart Munro

## **SPEAKERS AND FUNCTIONS**

July 16	CMA Energy Market Review Roger Witcomb, CMA Professor Dieter Helm, New College Oxford
September 16	EU Energy Policy Gerassimos Thomas, Deputy Director General, European Commission DG Energy
October 16	Energy Institute "Energy Barometer" Professor Jim Skea Dr Joanne Wade
November 16	Energy Policy Workshop Hosted by Lord Skelmersdale, kindly sponsored by National Grid Panellists: Ian Graves, National Grid; Jens Wolf, Drax Power Ltd; Mark Elborne, GE.; moderated by Lawrence Slade, Energy UK
November 16	House of Lords Annual Dinner Hosted by Lord Skelmersdale, kindly sponsored by National Grid Guest of Honour, Alex Chisholm, Permanent Secretary, Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy
December 16	An international perspective, post EU, post Obama Dr Lawrence Jones, Edison Energy Institute
January 17	Energy Policy Priorities Presented by Ian Graves, National Grid Jesse Norman MP, Minister for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy
February 17	GMB Energy Policy Justin Bowden, National Secretary, GMB
March 17	The Leeds H21 Project - Hydrogen Dan Sadler, Northern Gas networks