# All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies





## Annual Report 2023-24

## 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. Our aim is to advise the Government of the day on the energy issues of the day.

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 crisis recovery, Mission Zero, and updating our Energy Policy Priorities.

#### **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.

The Group's objective is to inform Parliamentarians of the day on the energy issues of the day.

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The after effects of CoViD still linger on, with Associate Membership slow to recover and political activities diverted to high politics instead of policy. We also suffered from the banking system becoming averse to Politically Exposed People, who have investigated our bank accounts for some 18months, only to discover that we are a bona fide APPG, with everything strictly above board.

Through all this, PGES aimed to continue to inform the Parliamentarians of the day on the energy issues of the day.

We have again held speaker meetings this year. Our speakers were still of the highest calibre and the topics focussed on Net Zero, policy and priorities.

Having had a very late House of Lords Dinner at the end of February, we were able to establish some really good meetings, all listed later. To start the year, we had a presentation on Mission Zero from The Rt Hon Chris Skidmore MP, the day after it was published. We also had the a presentation from Committee on Climate Change n the difficulties of achieving Net Zero. We also held our Summer Reception, again kindly sponsored by Alfa Energy and our House of Lords Dinner, actually when it was due, in October, this was sponsored by ExxonMobil.

PGES has also introduced a new event into the calendar, a Winter Warmer Reception, held early in February, just when energy demand is at its peak. This innovation is another excellent opportunity for parliamentarians, academics and industry to meet and discuss the burning issues for energy of the day.

Parliamentary work continues on the fundamental issue of energy. It is even more important now that we focus on our objective of advising the Government of the day on the energy issues of the day. Even if policy matters are delayed by politics, the climate emergency takes no heed. That's why, whatever the future may hold, I am confident that the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies, along with its members, will be at the forefront of the policy discussion.

PGES remains open to new members involved in energy. Do, please, make contact if you think membership could be of interest to you.

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

## FINANCE

Accounts for the year to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 showed an operating surplus of £3,776 (cf last year's deficit of £13,603 for 2022-23. Our reserves were therefore improved to £9,098, but this is still a very tight budget and till does not address the Liability of the deferred fee to the secretariat. The aim for next year is to have a greater surplus as attendance at regular face to face meetings recovers, further encouraging memberships. Additional events should also help the balance if run well.

## Accountant's report to members

Thanks are due to Sonia Reynolds at Root Accountants, who has provided accounting services and to Paul Faber ACA at Landau Morley LLP, for guidance and auditing services for the Group.

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership stands at Parliamentarians 173 (of which 110 are MPs, 63 are Peers), Associate 114 (of which 11 are Academic Members, 20 are Associations, 61 Companies), Individual 22 (of which 17 are Life Members)

The key to PGES' success is the diversity of its members, with expertise is all aspects of energy from acquisition to consumption, no matter what the source.

## Parliamentary

Several Parliamentarians have requested to join the Group recently, all Parliamentarian are welcome Full membership details are set out below.

## PGES Membership on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 was:

Parliamentarian **House of Commons** Nigel Adams MP Bim Afolami MP Adam Afrivie MP Peter Aldous MP Fleur Anderson MP Duncan Baker MP Margaret Beckett MP **Clive Betts MP** Kirsty Blackman MP Bob Blackman MP Olivia Blake MP Jack Brereton MP Sara Britcliffe MP Deidre Brock MP Alan Brown MP Anthony Browne MP Dr. Lisa Cameron MP Gregory Campbell MP Douglas Chapman MP Sir Christopher Chope MP The Rt Hon. Greg Clark MP Dr. Therese Coffey MP **Daisy Cooper MP** Stephen Crabb MP Jon Cruddas MP Dehenna Davison MP Martyn Day MP Sir James Duddridge MP David Duguid MP Philip Dunne MP Angela Eagle DBE MP **Ruth Edwards MP Clive Efford MP** Julie Elliott MP **Bill Esterson MP** Ben Everitt MP Anna Firth MP Stephen Flynn MP Mary Foy MP George Freeman MP **Barry Gardiner MP** Mark Garnier MP Claire Gibson The Rt Hon. Robert Goodwill MP **Richard Graham MP** James Gray MP Chris Green MP Andrew Griffith MP Neale Hanvey MP **Trudy Harrison MP** James Heappey MP Drew Hendry MP Wera Hobhouse MP

Parliamentarian House of Commons - continued Philip Hollobone MP John Howell MP The Rt Hon. Sir Lindsay Hoyle MP Darren Jones MP Sir Greg Knight MP Peter Kyle MP Mrs. Pauline Latham OBE MP Ian Lavery MP Andrea Leadsom MP Brandon Lewis CBE MP **Clive Lewis MP** Ian Liddell-Grainger MP Tony Lloyd MP Rachel Maclean MP Angus MacNeil MP Khalid Mahmood MP Scott Mann MP Christian Matheson MP Theresa May MP Jerome Mayhew MP Kerry McCarthy MP Johnny McNally MP Mark Menzies MP **Robin Millar MP** Lavla Moran MP David Morris MP Graeme Morris MP Gavin Newlands MP Matthew Offord MP Sarah Olney MP Chi Onwura MP Ms Taiwo Owatemi MP Mark Pawsey MP John Penrose MP Rebecca Pow MP Christina Rees MP Angela Richardson MP **Rob Roberts MP** Andrew Selous MP Jim Shannon MP **Tommy Sheppard MP** Henry Smith MP Jeff Smith MP Alex Sobel MP Mark Spencer MP Alexander Stafford MP Mark Tami MP **Derek Thomas MP** Jon Trickett MP Derek Twigg MP Martin Vickers MP Claudia Webbe MP

Matt Western MP

Parliamentarian House of Commons - continued Dr. Alan Whitehead MP Nadia Whittome MP Sammy Wilson MP Jacob Young MP

Parliamentarian **House of Lords Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle** Lord Berkeley The Lord Best OBE DL Lord Birt **Baroness Bloomfield of Hinton Waldrist** Lord Boswell Lord Bradshaw Lord Broers Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe Viscount Brookeborough The Lord Cameron of Dillington Lord Cavendish of Furness Lord Christopher CBE Lord Clement-Jones CBE Lord Curry of Kirkharle Lord Deben The Duke of Montrose Lord Duncan of Springbank **Baroness Eccles** Lord Elibank Earl of Erroll **Baroness Ford** Lord Geddes Lord Goldsmith Lord Grantchester Viscount Hanworth Lord Haskel Lord Haworth Lord Howell of Guildford Lord Hoyle of Warrington The Rt Hon. Lord Hunt of Kings Heath OBE Lord Hunt of Wirrall The Lord Krebs of Wytham Earl of Lindsay Lord Lucas Lord Mogg KCMG Lord Woolmer of Leeds The Earl of Stair Lord Palmer The Rt Hon. the Lord Paul Lord Ravensdale Lord Redesdale

Parliamentarian House of Lords - continued Lord Renwick The Rt Hon. the Lord Rooker The Rt Hon. the Lord Selkirk of Douglas PC QC The Baroness Sheehan The Rt Hon. Lord Smith of Finsbury The Lord Teverson The Viscount Trenchard Lord Truscott Lord Turnbull The Rt Hon. Viscount Ullswater LVO **Baroness Verma** The Lord Wade of Chorlton Lord Wakeham **Baroness Walmsley** The Rt Hon. the Lord Whitty Lord Wigley **Baroness Wilcox** Lord Wilson of Tillyorn KT GCMG **Baroness Worthington** Lord Young of Norwood Green

#### Associate

Academic GCU London Imperial College Queen's University Belfast Sheffield Hallam University UK Energy Research Centre/UCL University of Birmingham University of Leeds University of Leeds University of Sheffield University of Sheffield University of Warwick

#### Associate

Association ADE BEAMA BCECA (British Chemical Engineering Contractors Association) Citizens Advice Combustion Engineering Association Confederation of Paper Industries Durham Energy Institute Energy and Utilities Alliance Energy Services & Technology Association Energy Institute Energy Institute Energy Networks Association

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Associate Company Alfa Energy Ltd Applied Energy Ltd Baxi **Bosch Thermotechnology BP** International Ltd Brandfuel Ltd BRE **Brendan Bilton Consulting British Management Data Foundation Burns McDonnell** Cadent Chameleon Technology (UK) Ltd CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP **Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners Cornwall Energy Associates Dolan & Associates** Dolphin N2 Drax Power Ltd **EDF Energy** Elexon Ltd Enel X UK **Energy Research Accelerator Enertek International** Epex Spot Equinor ESB Exxon Mobil Fluor Corporation Frazer-Nash Consultancy Gemserv Ltd Greenergy Groupe Atlantic UK, Rol & NA Divisions **ICE** Futures Europe InfraStrata plc Jersey Electricity plc KPMG Lane Clark & Peacock LCP Milford Haven Port Authority Mott MacDonald National Grid ESO National Grid SO **ND** Metering Solutions Nexant Ltd Northern Powergrid

## Associate Company - continued Nuclear Liabilities Fund Ørsted Peak Gen Top Co Ltd RWE

RWE Schneider Electric Scottish Power SGN Shell International Limited Simon Fowler Design Ltd Smart DCC SSS Gears Stuart Turner Pumps TelosNRG Ltd UK Power Networks Uniper Wales & West Utilities Watt-Logic

## Associate

Life Members Dr Gordon Adam Sir Tony Baldry Michael Clapham Robert Erskine-Murray Sir John Hannam Joan MacNaughton CB Hon FEI Professor Peter Pearson Ann Robinson Chris Stewart Munro FEI Judith Ward

## Associate

Individual Clive Dawson John Hall Bill Fortescue Graham Ward CBE Janet Wood

## SPEAKERS AND FUNCTIONS

Apr 18<sup>th</sup> 2023 Net Zero or Not Zero - Dr David Joffe, Committee on Climate Change ... May 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 Changing Times – Networks' Role in Net Zero – Lawrence Slade, ENA Jun 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 Building a Net Zero System – a supply chain view - Steve Scrimshaw Siemens Energy July 11<sup>th</sup> 2023 Summer Reception sponsored by Alfa Energy, with Guest of Honour Th Rt Hon Graham Stuart MP, Minister of State ESNZ Sept 12<sup>th</sup> 2023 Consumers and Net Zero, Rachel Fletcher, Octopus Energy Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 2023 All-Party Energy Policy Forum

Jan 17<sup>th</sup> 2024 Chris Skidmorew

Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 2024 House of Lords Dinner, sponsored by Exxon Mobil with Guests of Honour, The Rt Hon Andrew Bowie MP and Baroness Blake of Leeds