

**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:
Priorities for investment in renewable energy in the UK and role of Great British Energy**

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 11th December 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon Lord Callanan, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (2020-23); Vice-Chair, APPG for Renewable and Sustainable Energy; and Vice-Chair, APPG for Net Zero
- 9.05 **Key considerations and developments in UK renewable energy policy**
Professor David Newbery, Director, Energy Policy Research Group, University of Cambridge
- 9.15 **Scaling up renewable energy and achieving Great British Energy's national objectives**
meeting the 2030 clean energy target | grid decarbonisation | developing energy independence | public ownership | supporting UK supply chains | accelerating and scaling up established mature technologies
Tim Harding, Head, Government Relations and Affairs, ORE Catapult
Maz Alkirwi, Director, Finance, SSEN Transmission
Ross Fairley, Partner and Head, Renewable Energy, Burges Salmon
Senior representative, renewable generation
- 9.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 **Assessing the current landscape for investing in renewable energy**
Professor Michael Grubb, Professor, Energy and Climate Change, University College London
- 10.05 **Priorities for driving collaboration and unlocking investment in renewable energy production**
Supporting and accelerating the delivery of clean energy infrastructure
Senior representative, sector partner
'Next steps for developing public-private sector partnerships for community energy'
Susie Leppard, Head, Renewable Energy, OVO
Promoting public-private co-investment
Senior speaker confirmed from **National Wealth Fund**
Senior representative, private sector investment
- 10.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Priorities for regulation that can support innovation, market growth and competition**
Senior representative, regulation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 **Chair's closing remarks**
Rt Hon Lord Callanan, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (2020-23); Vice-Chair, APPG for Renewable and Sustainable Energy; and Vice-Chair, APPG for Net Zero
- 11.35 Break
- 11.45 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.50 **Establishing a publicly-owned champion in clean energy**
James Cotter, Vice-President, Renewables, Equinor
- 12.00 **Key considerations for Great British Energy in supporting the development of clean energy technologies**
Adam Berman, Director, Policy and Advocacy, Energy UK
- 12.10 **Achieving aims for public and community benefits of Great British Energy and the Local Power Plan**
support for local power projects | partnership frameworks for work with local authorities and co-operatives | timing, targeting and thresholds for re-investment of profits into local communities | strengthening shared ownership models and learning from best practice | strategic pathways for job creation and reducing energy bills for consumers | key considerations for the impact of plans on just transition
Dr Jessica Hogan, Energy Analyst, Regen
Amanda Grimm, Policy Manager, Community Energy Scotland and Scottish Community Coalition on Energy
David Tudgey, Co-Founder and Director, Bristol Energy Network; and Project Manager, Ambition Community Energy
Andy Manning, Head, Energy System Transformation, Citizens Advice
Senior representative, union
- 12.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.00 **Policy priorities for establishing Great British Energy and future-proofing the UK's energy sector**
George Howes, Deputy Director, Great British Energy Policy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.25 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Jordan Nugara, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum