

15 October 2018

Cross Party Group on Sustainable Energy Annual Report

1. Group membership and office holders.

Chair: Llyr Gruffydd AM

Other AMs:

David Melding, AM

Huw Irranca-Davies, AM

Jenny Rathbone, AM

John Griffiths, AM

Lee Waters, AM

Mike Hedges, AM

Nick Ramsay, AM

Secretary: Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater

Other members: David Clubb, Renewable UK Cymru
Erin Gill, Arup

2. Previous Group Meetings since the last AGM.

Meeting 1.

Meeting date: Wednesday 14 February 2018

Attendees: Jenny Rathbone, AM
John Griffiths, AM
Llyr Gruffydd AM
Mike Hedges, AM
Nick Ramsay, AM
Angharad Davies, Cadno Communications
Ben Lewis, Barton Wilmore
Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater
Chris Jackson, RES
Corbin Saunders, Liberty Renewables
Craig Salter, Associated British Ports
Daniel Bryant, National Assembly for Wales
Daniel Patterson, ERM
David Brown, ARUP
David Clubb, RenewableUK
David Roberts, EA Technology

Erin Gill, ARUP
 Fflur Lawton, Smart Energy GB
 Gareth Tucker, Seren Energy
 Gerallt Hughes, ARUP
 Gillian Pennack, ARUP
 Gwenllian Elias, Savills
 Ioan Llyr Smallwood, Tegni Ltd
 Jack Sellers, National Assembly for Wales
 Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government
 Jeremy Smith, innogy Renewables UK
 Jonny Hewitt, Vattenfall
 Lia Murphy, Ofgem
 Lowri Kenny, Smart Energy GB
 Mabon Apgwyn, Cadno Communications
 Margaret Minhinnick, Sustainable Wales
 Mari Arthur, Cynnal Cymru
 Mark Summers, Acuity Legal Limited
 Natalie Queffurus, ARUP
 Nick Speed, Centrica
 Olivia Powis, Ofgem
 Paul Morris, EA Technology
 Robert Proctor, Renew Wales/Adfywio Cymru
 Rosemary Grogan, RES
 Sara Powell-Davies, RenewableUK
 Sian Caiach, Llanelli Rural Council
 Simon Morgan, REG Power Management
 Steve Knowles, Cardiff Council
 Stuart Becharas, Acuity Legal Limited
 Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy
 Yasmin Akbari, Freshwater

Summary of issues discussed: Dave Roberts, from EA Technology, and Jeremy Smith, from innogy Renewables UK each gave a presentation about the grid in Wales. Dave Roberts spoke about the challenges Wales faces with its grid while Jeremy Smith spoke from the perspective of a developer.

Meeting 2.

Meeting date: Wednesday 13 June 2018

Attendees: Llyr Gruffydd, AM
 Aled Rowlands, National Grid
 Amanda Biss, Egnida
 Andy Regan, CAB
 Beca Roberts, Community Energy Wales
 Bethan Proctor, National Energy Action (NEA) Cymru

Brett John, Plaid Cymru Intern
 Carole Morgan-Jones, National Energy Action (NEA) Cymru
 Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater
 Caryl Lewis, Work experience with Jenifer Pride
 Catrin Jones, Tidal Lagoon Power
 Catriona Brown, Welsh Assembly
 Chris Rossiter, Freshwater
 Daniel Patterson, WSP
 David Clubb, RenewableUK Cymru
 David N Thomas, Sêr Cymru
 Fozia Akhtar, Llanelli Councillor
 Gareth Williams, CITB Bircham Newton
 Georgia Gandy, Intern to Simon Thomas AM
 Gerallt Hughes, ARUP
 Gwenllian Elias, Savills
 Huw Jenkins, Intern to Simon Thomas AM
 Jane Taylor, Sustainable Wales
 Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government
 Jianzhong Wu, Cardiff University
 Katherine Route-Stephens, Natural Resources Wales
 Mari Arthur, Cynnal Cymru
 Mark Summers, Acuity Legal Limited
 Martyn Popham, Cenin Renewables Ltd
 Matthew John, Tai Calon Community Housing
 Neil Woollard, Tidal Lagoon Power
 Richard Duffy, Cardiff University
 Robert Proctor, Renew Wales/Adfywio Cymru
 Sara Powell Davies, RenewableUK Cymru
 Shea Buckland-Jones, Institute of Welsh Affairs
 Sian Caiach, Llanelli Rural Council
 Sjoerd van Acht, USW
 Stephen Nottingham, Freelance Writer/ Journalist
 Steve Knowles, Cardiff Council

Summary of issues discussed: David Thomas, from Sêr Cymru National Research Network for Low Carbon, Energy and Environment (NRN-LCEE), and Jianzhong Wu, from Cardiff University, each gave a presentation about energy research in Wales. David Thomas spoke about the work of the Network while Jianzhong Wu spoke of research involved with integrated energy networks and the development of energy.

Meeting 3.

Meeting date: Tuesday 25 September 2018

Attendees: Llyr Gruffydd, AM

Aled Rowlands, National Grid
 Andy Regan, Ofgem
 Ann Cousins, Arup
 Bethan Proctor, National Energy Action (NEA) Cymru
 Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater
 Charlotte Gibson, Onshore Renewable Energy Policy Team
 Clare Jones, Grasshopper PR
 Craig Harrison, Liberty Renewables
 David Clubb, Renewable Cymru UK
 Ella Maxwell, Ofgem
 Erin Gill, Arup
 Gareth Williams, CITB Bircham Newtown
 Gerallt Hughes, Arup
 Guto Owen, Ynni Glan
 Helen Westhead, Arup
 Jane Taylor, Energy, Water and Flood Division
 Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government
 Joe Ayoubkhani, Barton Willmore
 Jonny Hewitt, Vattenfall
 Laura Hulson
 Llyr Gruffydd, Welsh Assembly
 Mari Arthur, Cynnol Cymru
 Mark Summers, Acuity Legal Limited
 Ragne Low, University of Strathclyde
 Sara Powell-Davies, Renewable Cymru UK
 Simon Morgan, REG Power Management
 Stephen Cook, Arup
 Stuart Becharas, Acuity Legal Limited
 Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy
 Yasmin Akbari, Freshwater

Summary of issues discussed: Chris Stark, the Chief Executive at the Committee on Climate Change, and Ragne Low, from the University of Strathclyde, each gave a presentation about whether Wales should be ‘more like Scotland’ when it comes to energy policy. Chris Stark set the scene by putting Scotland’s energy policy into a historical and political perspective, while Ragne Low spoke about the current situation and the future of energy policy.

3. Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations and charities with whom the Group has met during the preceding year.

N/A

Annual Financial Statement.

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Secretary: Carolyn Pugsley, Director, Freshwater

Group's Expenses.	None.	£0.00
Costs of all goods.	No goods purchased.	£0.00
Benefits received by the group or individual Members from outside bodies.	No benefits received.	£0.00
Any secretariat or other support.	No financial support received.	£0.00
Services provided to the Group such as hospitality.		
All refreshments paid for by Arup.		
Date	Description and name of provider	Cost
Wednesday 14 February 2018	Food and Beverages	£738.00
Wednesday 13 June 2018	Food and Beverages	£436.80
Tuesday 25 September 2018	Food and Beverages	£353.40
Total cost		£1,528.20