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Cross Party Group on
Renewable & Low Carbon Energy



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Annual Report and Financial Statement

November 2021- November 2022

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Background

The Senedd Cross Party Group on Renewable and Low Carbon Energy held its inaugural AGM in November 2021. It is a forum to facilitate discussions between industry and parliamentarians and inform the debate on renewable and low carbon energy in Wales. RenewableUK Cymru provides policy direction and helps secure external speakers. Cadno Communications Ltd provides the secretariat.

This report covers the first year of the group's operation.

Membership of the group and names of its officeholders

Chair

Delyth Jewell MS

Vice chairs

Huw Irranca-Davies MS and Jane Dodds MS

Secretariat

Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications Ltd

Members of the Senedd

Jayne Bryant MS

Janet Finch-Saunders MS

Llyr Gruffydd MS

Mabon ap Gwynfor MS

Mike Hedges MS

Sam Rowlands MS

Other members

Angharad Davies, Cadno Communications Ltd

Alexander Scorey, Natural Resources Wales

Alexander Williams, GME Services

Alice Jones, ABP

Alwyn Thomas, Statkraft

Andrew Crossman, Infinite Renewables

Andrew Donald, Centrica Business Solutions

Andy Billcliff, Morlais Energy/Menter Mon

Andy Regan, Nesta

Anthony Jones, Freshwater

Ben Coates, Grayling

Ben Lewis, Barton Willmore

Bethan Simes, DP Energy

Breon Finch, EDF Renewables UK

Joshua Morris, RWE Renewables UK Ltd

Lara Stace, Deryn Consulting

Lawrence Cox, Belltown Power

Lisa Christie, Vattenfall Wind Power Ltd

Madelaine Polly Brooks, EDF Renewables UK

Martyn Roberts, Firebox Solution Ltd

Mary Lewis, Natural Resources Wales

Matt Telfer, Marine Energy Wales

Michael Lovegrove, Lovegrove EBS Ltd

Michael Phillips, Dulas Ltd

Naomi Williams, Camlas

Natalie Rees, Transport for Wales

Neil Lewis, Ynni Sir Gar

Oliver Penney, Wind2

Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater
Cathryn Tracey, Burges Salmon
Cathy Owens, Statkraft
Charles Williams, Wind2
Charlotte Davidson, Cardiff Capital Region
Chris Jackson, RES Ltd
Chris Thomas, Wind2
Dafydd Williams, Eco2 Limited
Daniel Taylor, Newsdirect Wales
David Brown, Arup
David Clubb, Afallen
David Hickling, RWE
David Jones, Blue Gem Wind
David Sprake, Glyndŵr University
Eleri Davies, RWE Renewables UK Ltd
Enfys Evans, National Trust
Ffion Davies, EDF Renewables UK
Gwenllian Elias, Falck
Hannah Dineen, Grasshopper Communications
Hayley Warrens, Transport for Wales
Helen Parfitt, Delyth Jewell's Office
Helen Westhead, Arup
Henry Dixon, North Wales Tidal Energy
Huw Lewis, Welsh Government
Hywel Lloyd, IWA
Ian Masters, Swansea University
Ifan Gwilym, Barton Willmore
Ifer Gwyn, BP
Ioan Jenkins, Prosperity Energy Limited
Jack Wilkinson-Dix, Energy Saving Trust
Jason Hester, Port of Milford Haven
Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government
Jeremy Smith, RWE Generation
Jon Fox, Wardell Armstrong

Osian Roberts, Minesto UK Ltd
Paul Hewett, Belltown Power UK
Peter Trott, Afallen LLP
Philippa Powell, RWE
Prof Ron Loveland, Welsh Government
Ralph Windeatt, ABP
Rhiannon Phillips, Welsh Government
Rhys Owen, Cardiff Capital Region
Rhys Wyn Jones, COP
Richard Mardon, Statkraft
Robert Gibbons, BSI Group
Robert O'Dwyer, Cardiff City Region
Rory Johnson, Welsh Government
Sara Powell-Davies, RUK Cymru
Seumas Skinner, Statkraft
Sharon Adams, Milford Haven Port Authority
Simon Morgan, EDF Renewables UK
Simon Owen Shuker, Hafren Ousque Associates
Sioned Williams, Community Energy Wales
Stephen Brooks, Deryn Consulting
Susannah Wood, Statkraft
Tessa Blazey, Cierco
Thomas Beynon, Eco2 Management Services Limited
Thomas Yeo, Powys County Council
Tim Heatley, Dorothea Pumped Hydro Limited
Tom Crick, NICW
Tom Glover, RWE
Tom Spencer, National Grid
Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy
Trevor Hunter, Coriolis Energy
Will Henson, Institute of Welsh Affairs

The number of times the group has met since the last AGM, who attended, and a summary of the issues discussed

The Cross Party Group met three times during its first year. All meetings were held online, via Zoom. Meetings are conducted bilingually. All meeting notices, communication with members and meeting minutes are provided bilingually.

Meeting 1: Inaugural AGM – 17th November 2021

Attendees

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| Andrew Donald, Centrica Business Solutions | Mabon ap Gwynfor MS, Senedd |
| Andy Billcliff, Morlais Energy/Menter Mon | Martyn Roberts, Firebox Solution Ltd |
| Angharad Davies, Cadno Communications | Mary Lewis, Natural Resources Wales |
| Bethan Simes, DP Energy | Matt Telfer, Marine Energy Wales |
| Breon Finch, EDF Renewables | Michael Phillips, Dulas Ltd |
| Dafydd Williams, Eco2 Limited | Natalie Rees, Transport for Wales |
| Daniel Taylor, Newsdirect Wales | Nathan Currell, National Grid |
| David Brown, Arup | Neil Lewis, Ynni Sir Gar |
| David Clubb, Afallen | Peter Trott, Afallen LLP |
| Eleri Davies, RWE Renewables UK Ltd | Philippa Powell, RWE |
| Ffion Davies, ABP | Ralph Windeatt, ABP |
| Gareth Hawkins, Statkraft | Rhiannon Phillips, Welsh Government |
| Gaynor Jackson | Rhys Wyn Jones, RUK Cymru |
| Gwenllian Elias, Savills | Rory Johnson, Welsh Government |
| Hayley Warrens, Transport for Wales | Rosemary Grogan, Cadno Communications |
| Helen Westhead, Arup | Sara Powell-Davies, RUK Cymru |
| Ian Masters, Swansea University | Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications |
| Ifan Gwilym, Barton Willmore | Simon Morgan, EDF Renewables |
| Ioan Jenkins, Prosperity Energy Limited | Thomas Yeo, Powys County Council |
| Jack Wilkinson-Dix, Energy Saving Trust | Tim Heatley, Dorothea Pumped Hydro Limited |
| Jason Hester, Port of Milford Haven | Tom Crick, NICW |
| Jeremy Smith, RWE Generation | Tom Glover, RWE |
| Jon Fox, Wardell Armstrong | Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy |
| Lawrence Cox, Belltown Power | Trevor Hunter, Coriolis Energy |
| Lisa Christie, Vattenfall Wind Power Ltd | Will Henson, Institute of Welsh Affairs |

Summary of the issues discussed

The Chair, Vice Chairs and Secretariat were elected. The formal statement of purpose for the group and future work programme were agreed. The Deputy Minister for Climate Change spoke to the group about his Renewable Energy Deep Dive, which was ongoing at the time, and took questions from members.

Meeting 2: 29th March 2022

Attendees

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| Alexander Williams, GME Services | Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government |
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Andy Billcliff, Morlais Energy/Menter Mon
 Andy Regan, Nesta
 Angharad Davies, Cadno Communications
 Ben Lewis, Barton Willmore
 Charlotte Davidson, Cardiff Capital Region
 Chris Thomas
 Clare Cameron, Cardiff Capital Region
 Dafydd Williams, Eco2 Limited
 David Clubb, Afallen
 David Jones, Blue Gem Wind
 Delyth Jewell, Chair
 Gareth Hawkins, Statkraft
 Gwenllian Elias, Savills
 Hayley Warrens, Transport for Wales
 Helen Westhead, Arup
 Huw
 Ian Masters, Swansea University
 Jack Wilkinson-Dix, Energy Saving Trust
 Jake Thompson, Cardiff Council
 James Grey

Jocelyn Donald
 Marine Energy Wales
 Meryl Lewis, Pennant Walters
 Mike Pitcher, Natural Resources Wales
 Lawrence Cox, Belltown Power
 Lydia Godden, Cadno Communications
 Neil Lewis, Ynni Sir Gar
 Paul Hewett, Belltown Power UK
 Peter Trott, Afallen LLP
 Philippa Powell, RWE
 Ralph Windeatt, ABP
 Rhiannon Phillips, Welsh Government
 Rhys Owen, Cardiff Council
 Rosemary Grogan, Cadno Communications
 Sam Rowlands MS, Senedd
 Sara Powell-Davies, RUK Cymru
 Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications
 Tom Glover, RWE
 Tom Spencer, National Grid
 Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy

Summary of the issues discussed

The theme of the meeting was precedents in energy autonomy. Two guest speakers from Scotland presented to the group: Malcolm Crosby, Renewables Project Manager, Forestry and Land Scotland, and Mike Palmer, Deputy Director for Marine Planning and Policy, Scottish Government. A Q&A followed.

Meeting 3: 27th September 2022

Attendees

Aled Rowlands, National Grid
 Alex Scorey, NRW
 Alexander Gray, Energy UK
 Andrew Donald, Centrica
 Andy Billcliff, Menter Mon
 Andy Regan, Nesta
 Angharad Davies, Cadno Communications
 Ben Coates, Grayling
 Calvin Jones, Cardiff Business School
 Cathy Owens, Deryn Consulting
 Charles Williams, Wind2
 Chris Jackson, RES
 David Clubb, Afallen
 David Jones, Blue Gem
 David Sprake
 David Brown, Arup
 Delyth Jewell MS, Chair
 Eleri Davies, RWE Renewables

Jen Pride, Welsh Government
 Jon Fox, Wardell-Armstrong
 Juliette Sanders, Energy UK
 Kate Mitchell, News Direct
 Kevin Ashcroft
 Lara Stace, Deryn Consulting
 Lydia Godden, Cadno Communications
 Manon Kynaston
 Matt Telfer, Marine Energy Wales
 Matthew Hexter
 Nat Rees, TFW
 Neil Foxall
 Neil Lewis, Ynni Sir Gar
 Prof Ron Loveland, Welsh Government
 Rory Johnson, Welsh Government
 Rob O'Dwyer, Cardiff City Region
 Robert Jervis-Gibbons, BSI Group
 Rosemary Grogan, Cadno Communications

Eleri Morgan
Ffion Davies, EDF Renewables UK
Gaynor Jackson
Gwenllian Elias, Falck
Huw
Ifer Gwyn, BP
Ioan Dobbin
Jack Wilkinson-Dix, Energy Saving Trust

Ryland Doyle
Sara Powell-Davies, Renewable UK Cymru
Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications
Seumas Skinner, Statkraft
Tom Crick, NICW
Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy
Trevor Hunter, Coriolis Energy

Summary of the issues discussed

The theme of the meeting was energy prices, geopolitics, and the cost of living crisis. Two guest speakers presented to the group: Professor Calvin Jones, Professor of Economics, Cardiff Business School, and Juliette Sanders, Director of Communications, Energy UK. A Q&A followed.

All professional lobbyists, and voluntary or charitable organisations with whom the group has met during the preceding year

The group has not met with any lobbyists, voluntary or charitable organisations. The secretariat, Cadno Communications Ltd, is a public affairs company and is registered with The Public Affairs Board. RenewableUK Cymru is an industry body.

Annual Financial Statement

Cross Party Group Title

Senedd Cross Party Group on Renewable and Low Carbon Energy

Date

28th February 2023

Name of Chair

Delyth Jewell MS

Name of Secretary and Organisation

Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications Ltd

| Title | Description | Amount |
|---|---|------------------|
| Group's expenses | Expenses incurred by the group are detailed below | £1,571.51 |
| Cost of all goods | No goods bought | £0.00 |
| Benefits received by the group or individual members from external bodies | In kind benefits received are detailed below | £0.00 |
| Any financial support or other support | No financial support was received | £0.00 |
| TOTAL | | £1,571.51 |

Expenses

The total expenses incurred from operating the Cross Party Group are broken down as follows:

| Date | Description | Supplier | Cost |
|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| 31/10/2021 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £16.95 |
| 08/11/2021 | Webinar licence | Zoom | £75.99 |
| 21/12/2021 | Logo design | Four Cymru | £798.00 |
| 31/12/2021 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £22.80 |
| 31/01/2022 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £15.08 |
| 08/03/2022 | Webinar licence | Zoom | £75.99 |
| 31/03/2022 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £10.20 |
| 31/05/2022 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £15.60 |
| 30/09/2022 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £18.00 |
| 30/09/2022 | Written translation | Branwen Gwyn | £17.73 |
| 15/11/2022 | Written translation (minutes) | Branwen Gwyn | 505.17 |
| TOTAL | | | £1,571.51 |

Branwen Gwyn is a self-employed translator based in Cardiff. Four Cymru is a design agency based in Aberystwyth.

Benefits

Cadno Communications provided in-kind administrative support to the Cross Party Group.

Simultaneous translation was provided by the Senedd Business Unit at each of the Cross Party Group meetings.

The Zoom account used for the meeting on 27th September 2022 was provided by Delyth Jewell MS's office.

Hospitality

No hospitality was received by the Cross Party Group.