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Cross Party Group on
Renewable & Low Carbon Energy



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Annual Report and Financial Statement

2023-24

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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.

Membership of the group and names of its officeholders

Chair

Delyth Jewell MS

Vice chairs

Huw Irranca-Davies MS and Jane Dodds MS

Secretariat

Daniel Taylor, Cadno Communications Ltd

Members of the Senedd

Llyr Gruffydd MS

Mabon ap Gwynfor MS

Mike Hedges MS

Janet Finch-Saunders MS

John Griffiths MS

Sam Rowlands MS

Other members

Aleksandra Cernisova, Grasshopper Communications
Alexander Scorey, Natural Resources Wales
Alexander Williams, GME Services
Alice Jones ABP
Alwyn Thomas, Statkraft
Amy Ravitz-Williams, EDF Renewables UK
Andrew Crossman, Infinite Renewables
Andrew Donald, Pod Point
Andy Billcliff, Menter Mon
Andy Fewings, Bidwells
Andy Regan, Nesta
Angharad Davies, Cadno
Anthony Jones, Freshwater
Ben Lewis, Bute Energy
Bethan Simes, DP Energy
Carolyn Pugsley, Freshwater
Cathryn Tracey, Burges Salmon
Cathy Owens, Deryn Consulting

Catrin Ellis-Jones, Trydan Gwyrdd Cymru
Catriona Toms, Centre for Alternative Technology
Charles Williams, Wind2
Charlotte Davidson, Cardiff Capital Region
Charlotte Gibson, Ofgem
Chloe Corbyn, Senedd Research
Chris Jackson, RES Ltd
Chris Thomas, Wind2
Clare Dance, Coriolis
Clare Jones, Grasshopper Communications
Craig Harrison, Vital Energi
Craig Lawton, Grasshopper Communications
Dafydd Williams, Eco2 Limited
David Brown, Arup
David Clubb, Afallen
David Hickling, RWE
David Jones, Blue Gem Wind
David Sprake, Glyndŵr University

Dr Debbie Jones, M-Sparc
 Eileen Kinsman, Centre for Alternative
 Technology
 Eleri Davies, RWE Renewables UK
 Elin Hywel, Senedd
 Elliot Smith, RES
 Enfys Evans, National Trust
 Ewan Alexander, Cadno Communications
 Ffion Davies, EDF Renewables UK
 Gwenllian Elias, Bluefloat Energy and Renantis
 Partnership
 Gwion Llwyd Jones, Grayling
 Hannah Dineen, Grasshopper
 Communications
 Hayley Warrens, Transport for Wales
 Hayley Williams, Pembrokeshire College
 Helen Parfitt, Senedd
 Helen Westhead, Arup
 Henry Dixon, North Wales Tidal Energy
 Heny Rubinstein
 Huw Lewis, Welsh Government
 Hywel Lloyd
 Ian Masters, Swansea University
 Ifer Gwyn, BP
 Ioan Jenkins, Prosperity Energy Ltd
 Jack Pugsley, Savills
 Jack Wilkinson-Dix, Energy Saving Trust
 James Radcliffe, Ofgem
 Jason Hester, Port of Milford Haven
 Jennifer Pride, Welsh Government
 Jeremy Smith, RWE
 Jessica Hooper, RenewableUK Cymru
 Joe Rossiter, IWA
 John Stevenson, MHPA
 Jon Fox, Wardell Armstrong
 Joshua Morris, RWE
 Kirsty Rees, Senedd
 Lara Stace Deryn Consulting
 Lawrence Cox, Belltown Power
 Libby Davies, Grayling
 Lorna Scurlock, Senedd
 Louis Kirkup, Belltown Power
 Lydia Godden, IWA
 Manon Kynaston, RenewableUK Cymru
 Martin Cole, RWE Renewables
 Martyn Roberts, Firebox Solution Ltd
 Mary Lewis, Natural Resources Wales
 Mary Thorogood, The Crown Estate

Mason Steed, Energy Saving Trust
 Matt Telfer, Marine Energy Wales
 Meilyr Caredig, Cadno Communications
 Michael Corney, Equinor
 Michael Lovegrove, Lovegrove EBS Ltd
 Morgan Williams, Bidwells
 Nanna Aaserod, Equinor
 Naomi Williams, Camlas
 Natalie Rees, Transport for Wales
 Neil Foxall, Wind2
 Neil Lewis, Ynni Sir Gar
 Newsdirect Wales
 Oliver Penney, Wind2
 Oliver Sandles, Windel Energy
 Osian Roberts, Minesto UK Ltd
 Paul Hewett, Belltown Power UK
 Peter Trott, Afallen LLP
 Philippa Powell, RWE
 Prof Ron Loveland, Welsh Government
 Rachel Kennedy, Dulas
 Ralph Windeatt, ABP
 Rebecca Williams, The Crown Estate
 Reece Emmitt, Bute Energy
 Rhiannon Phillips, Welsh Government
 Rhys Owen, Cardiff Capital Region
 Rhys Wyn Jones, COP
 Richard Mardon, Statkraft
 Robert Chapman
 Robert Gibbons, BSI Group
 Robert O'Dwyer, Cardiff Capital Region
 Robin Johnson, JBM Solar
 Rory Johnson, Welsh Government
 Rosemary Grogan, Cadno Communications
 Ruth Lovell, Community Energy
 Pembrokeshire
 Sara Dryhurst-Roberts, BlueFloat Energy
 Sara Jones, Cierco
 Sara Powell-Davies, Thirty47 Communications
 Sarah Jones, Cadno Communications
 Seumas Skinner, Statkraft
 Sharon Adams, Milford Haven Port Authority
 Sian Jones, Grayling
 Simon Owen Shuker, Hafren Ousque
 Associates
 Sioned Davies, No5 Barrister's Chambers
 Sioned Williams, Community Energy Wales
 Stephen Brookes, Deryn
 Susan Falch-Lovesey, Equinor

Susannah Wood, Statkraft
Tessa Blazey, Cierco
Thomas Beynon, Eco2
Tim Harding, Offshore Renewable Energy
Catapult
Tim Heatley, Dorothea Pumped Hydro Limited

Tom Crick, NICW
Tom Glover, RWE
Tom Spencer, National Grid
Tony Cooke, Cardiff Community Energy
Trevor Hunter, Coriolis

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 since the last AGM. Meeting notices, communication with members and meeting minutes are provided bilingually.

Meeting 1: AGM and Minister for Climate Change, 28th February 2023

Attendees

Alice Jones	Ifer Gwyn	Oliver Sandles
Amy Ravitz-Williams	Ioan Dobbin	R Johnson
Andrew Crossman	Jack Pugsley	Ralph Windeatt
Andy Fewings	Jane Dodds MS	Reece Emmitt
Andy Regan	Janet Finch-Saunders MS	Rhiannon Phillips
Angharad Davies	Jennifer Pride	Richard Dibley
Antony Jones	Jenny Rathbone MS	Robert Chapman
Ben Coates	Jessica Hooper	Robert Jervis Gibbons
Cathryn Tracey	Jocelyn Donald	Ron Loveland
Cathy Owens	Jon Fox	Rosemary
Charlotte Gibson	Julie James MS, Minister for	Ruth Lovell
Chloe Corbyn	Climate Change (Guest	Ryland Doyle
Chris Jackson	Speaker)	Sara Powell Davies
Chris Williams	Lara Stance	Sarah Jones
Clare Dance	Lisa Christie	Seumas Skinner
Clare Jones	Lorna Scurlock	Simon Morgan
David Jones	Louis Kirkup	Steve Brooks
Delyth Jewell MS (Chair)	Manon Kynaston	Susan Falch-Lovesey
Eleri Davies	Mark Sandles	Tathan Harding Lloyd
Emma Wakeham	Mary Thorogood	Tessa Blazey
Ffion Davies	Meilyr Ceredig	Thomas Yeo
Ffion Wright	Mike Hedges MS	Tony Cooke
Henry Dixon	Mike Hedges MS	
Huw Lewis	Neil Lewis	

Summary of the issues discussed

The Chair, Vice Chairs and Secretariat were elected. The Climate Change Minister, Julie James, addressed questions which had been posted by members prior to the meeting.

Meeting 2: Grid, 27th June 2023

Attendees

Abigail Beck	Dr Mark Picton	Manon Kynaston
Akshay Kaul	Dr Paul Ellsmore	Math Williams
Aled Hughes	Elliot Smith	Mike Corney
Amie Rose Vernoum	Hannah Dineen	Oliver Penney
Andrew Donald	Hannah Jarvis	Peter McCrory
Andy Billcliff	Holly Skyrme	Rahel Jones
Andy Regan	Huw Lewis	Rebecca Williams
Angharad Davies	Ioan Dobbin	Robert Chapman
Antony Jones	Jack Wilkinson-Dix	Sara Powell-Davies
Ben Lewis	Jay Sheppard	Sarah Jones
Ben Tritton	Jennifer Pride	Sean Evans
Ben Williams	Jessica Hooper	Simon Morgan
Cathy Owens	John Wawer	Steve Brooks
Chris Williams	Lara Stace	Steve Edwards
Daniel Benson	Leslie Walker	Steve Pope
Daniel Taylor	Lydia Godden	Tim James
Daniel Wills	Maarten Abele	Tom Fabian

Summary of the issues discussed

The theme of the meeting was grid. Ofgem’s Director of Infrastructure and Security of Supply, Akshay Kaul addressed attendees. He explained Ofgem’s role and plans for the energy sector. RenewableUK’s Grid Policy Manager, Peter McCrory provided an overview of grid policy and the investment required to meet the Welsh Government’s renewable energy ambitions. A Q&A followed.

Meeting 3: Welsh Government targets, 28th November 2023

Attendees

Amy Ravitz-Williams	Ffion Davies	Lydia Godden
Andrew Donald	Gemma Delafield	Manon Kynaston
Andy Billcliff	Hayley Warrens	Matt Telfer
Andy Fewings	Huw Lewis	Neil Lewis
Andy Regan	Ian Masters	Rachel Kennedy
Angharad Davies	Ifer Gwyn	Rebecca Williams
Anna Banks (on behalf of Samuel Kurtz MS)	Ioan Dobbin	Robert Chapman
Ben Lewis	Jack Pugsley	Robert Gibbons
Carmen Smith	James Radcliffe	Robin Johnson
Carolyn Thomas MS	Jasmine Wheeler	Rosemary Grogan
Charles Williams	Jennifer Jordan	Ruth Lovell
Chris Jackson	Jeremy Smith	Ryland Doyle (on behalf of Mike Hedges MS)
Clare Dance	Jess Hill	Sara Dryhurst-Roberts
Clare Jones	Jessica Hooper	Sara Powell-Davies
Craig Harrison	John Young	Sarah Jones
Daniel Taylor	Jon Fox	Simon Morgan
David Brown	Joshua Morris	Suzie Saunders
David Jones	Kevin Ashcroft	Tim Heatley
Delyth Jewell MS	Kirsty Fox Hay	Tony Cooke
Elizabeth Dunn	Leslie Walker	Trevor Hunter
Elliot Smith	Lorna Scurlock	
	Louis Kirkup	

Summary of the issues discussed

The theme of the meeting was the Welsh Government’s renewable energy targets. Jessica Hooper, Director of RenewableUK Cymru, provided context on the Welsh Government’s renewable energy targets and progress so far. She presented information from RenewableUK Cymru’s report, Future Energy Wales: The Critical Role of Welsh Wind Power. Liz Dunn, Partner at Burges Salmon LLP, presented to the CPG on the current state of planning, focusing on policy, legislation and resourcing. 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

7th May 2024

Name of Chair

Delyth Jewell MS

Name of Secretary and Organisation

Daniel Taylor, Cadno Communications Ltd

Title	Description	Amount
Group's expenses	Expenses incurred by the group are detailed below	£383.61
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		£383.61

Expenses

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

Date	Description	Supplier	Cost
03.02.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£28.71
14.02.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£14.40
27.06.23	Refreshments	Senedd catering	£129.00
27.06.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£13.50
13.07.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£91.53
21.11.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£30.06
13.12.23	Translation costs	Branwen Gwyn	£76.41

TOTAL	£383.61
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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.

Hospitality

The Senedd provide a venue for the session on 27th June 2023, sponsored by Delyth Jewell MS.