



Greater Lincolnshire LEP Energy Council

Date: 23rd May 2022, 1.00-2.30pm

Via MS Teams

Paper 0 - Agenda

| Item | Brief description | Lead | Status |
|-------------|--|--|---------------------|
| 1 1.00pm | Welcome and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Declaration of interests • New Members - Christel Croft <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Introductions and roles | Duncan Botting | Verbal |
| 2 1.15pm | Presentation: Hydrogen Humber <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developments in the North and North East Lincolnshire gas networks | Arnold Craven (<i>Cadent Gas</i>) | Presentation |
| 3 1.25pm | Queen's Speech - Energy Bill | Duncan Botting | Paper 1 |
| 4 1.30pm | Food Board and Energy Council Collaboration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAEP - UK Food valley • Definition of first challenge area • Task and finish subgroup | Duncan Botting / Martin Collison (<i>Agri-food advisor for the Greater Lincolnshire LEP</i>) / All | Verbal / Discussion |
| 5 2.00pm | Future of the Energy Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of Reference • What do members want future meetings to focus on? | Duncan Botting / All | Verbal / Discussion |
| 6 2.10pm | Membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-Chair Role • Any potential expertise gaps? | Duncan Botting / All | Discussion |
| 7 2.20pm | Review of previous actions and agreed actions within current meeting | All | Paper 2 |
| 8 2.25pm | AOB | All | |
| 9 2.30pm | Meeting close | | |

Attendees: Duncan Botting, Jacqui Bunce, Arnold Craven, Marie Harley, Christel Croft, Juergen Schaper, James Truscott, Martin Collison, Mick Nuttley

To be confirmed: Justin Brown,

Tentative: John Henry Looney, Simon Green

Apologies: Barry Dobson

Officers: Ruth Carver, Caroline Illingworth, Amy O'Sullivan (Note-taker)

Paper 1 - Queen's Speech - Energy Bill

Energy Security Bill

“My Ministers will bring forward an Energy Bill to deliver the transition to cheaper, cleaner, and more secure energy. This will build on the success of the COP26 Summit in Glasgow last year.”

The purpose of the Bill is to:

- Deliver the commitments in the *British Energy Security Strategy* and the *Ten Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution* to build a more secure, homegrown energy system that is cleaner and more affordable.

The main benefits of the Bill would be:

- Maintaining a safe and secure energy supply and helping to protect consumers against global price fluctuations. We will increase our energy security by supporting a low-carbon energy system and reducing our dependence on gas over the long term.
- Protecting consumers from unfair pricing. The energy price cap is the best safety net for millions, preventing suppliers from overcharging consumers. The Bill will enable the extension of the price cap beyond 2023, and it will regulate the heat networks sector.
- Attracting billions in private investment and supporting tens of thousands of new, skilled jobs across the UK. Developing Carbon Capture Usage and Storage and low carbon hydrogen will create new industries, transforming our former industrial heartlands.

The main elements of the Bill are:

- Introducing state-of-the-art business models for Carbon Capture Usage and Storage transport and storage, low carbon hydrogen and industrial carbon capture which will fire the starting gun on new, low-carbon technologies.
- Reducing the risk of fuel supply disruption by giving Government the power to give directions to, require information from, and provide financial assistance to core fuel sector businesses to ensure resilience and continuity of fuel supply.
- Supporting industry to step up investment in growing the consumer market for electric heat pumps by providing for a new market standard and trading scheme. This will support innovation and help to lower the costs of heat pumps over time.
- Appointing Ofgem as the new regulator for heat networks, ensuring consumers get a fair price and a reliable supply of heat.
- Extending the energy price cap, preventing suppliers from overcharging consumers.

- Enabling the first ever large-scale hydrogen heating trial, allowing us to inform the role of hydrogen in heat decarbonisation in 2026.
- Introducing competition in Britain's onshore electricity networks, encouraging investment and innovation, and enabling savings.
- Creating a new pro-innovation regulatory environment for fusion energy.
- Establishing a new Future System Operator, providing strategic oversight across electricity and gas systems. It will drive progress towards net zero, energy security and minimising consumer costs.
- Facilitating the safe, and cost-effective clean-up of the UK's legacy nuclear sites, ensuring the UK is a responsible nuclear state.

Territorial extent and application

- The Bill will extend and apply mainly to Great Britain, with some provisions extending and applying across the UK.

Key facts

- The *Ten Point Plan*, *Net Zero Strategy* and *British Energy Security Strategy* are driving an unprecedented £100 billion of private sector investment in new British industries by 2030 and supporting around 480,000 clean jobs by the end of the decade.
- At the Global Investment Summit in October 2021, the Prime Minister announced a package of 18 deals to support green growth worth £9.7 billion.
- Between 1990 and 2019 we grew our economy by more than three-quarters. At the same time, we cut greenhouse emissions by over 40 per cent, faster than any other country in the G7.
- Renewable electricity generation has more than quadrupled since 2010. Offshore wind has increased tenfold, while coal has fallen by 94 per cent.
- We must continue to make progress towards our commitment to reduce emissions by 78 per cent by 2035 and become net zero by 2050.
- By extending the energy price cap beyond 2023, the Government will be protecting 22 million households who are on default tariffs.

Paper 2 - Action points

| Action | Responsible | Date completed by |
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| AC to deliver presentation on Hydrogen Humber, developments in the North and North East Lincolnshire gas networks, at next meeting | AC | May 2022 meeting |
| AO to connect Chairs of Energy Council and Employment and Skills Advisory Board regarding key priorities and cross-board collaboration opportunities | AO | May 2022 meeting |
| Martin Collison from Food Board to attend next meeting to workshop opportunities surrounding cross-board collaboration priorities | Chair | May 2022 meeting |
| Recruitment push - Who do we want on the Energy Council and are we sufficiently represented? Board members to highlight potential new members | ALL | Ongoing |