



# All Party Parliamentary Group on Shale Gas Regulation & Planning

## MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 6, PALACE OF WESTMINSTER ON 20 APRIL 2016 AT 10.45AM

**PRESENT:**

Martyn Day MP	Linlithgow and East Falkirk
Tom Elliott MP	Fermanagh and South Tyrone
Jim Fitzpatrick MP	Poplar and Limehouse
Kevin Hollinrake MP	Thirsk & Malton
Lord Truscott	
Lord Young of Norwood Green	
Baroness Young of Old Scone	

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Andrea Leadsom MP	Minister of State (DECC)
Mark Ellis – Jones	Environment Agency
Charlotte Danvers	Environment Agency
Tony Almond	Health & Safety Executive
Jim Neilson	Health & Safety Executive
Dr Doug Parr	Greenpeace
Professor Richard Davies	ReFINE
Benjamin Collins	Office of Kevin Hollinrake MP
Nigel Knapton	Office of Kevin Hollinrake MP
Francis Walker	Office of Mark Menzies MP
Guy de Vito	Office of Antoinette Sandbach MP

33 members of the public were also present

### 16/9 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Dr Alan Whitehead MP, Julian Sturdy MP, Frank Field MP, Lord Ashdown, Lord Inglewood, Lord Lipsey, Dr Philippa Whitford MP, Graham Evans MP, Rushanara Ali MP, Phoebe Jefferson and Professor Liam Herringshaw.

### 16/10 **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 March were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair. An amendment was made to the minutes of 24 February, the reference to UKOOG was incorrect and should have been OUGO.

**16/11**      **EVIIDENCE SESSIONS**

Questions on regulation were taken from the members of the group and members of the public by the following two panels, in two separate sessions:

Andrea Leadsom MP	Minister of State (Department of Energy and Climate Change)
Mark Ellis – Jones	Environment Agency
Charlotte Danvers	Environment Agency
Tony Almond	Health & Safety Executive
Jim Neilson	Health & Safety Executive
Dr Doug Parr	Greenpeace
Professor Richard Davies	ReFINE

**16/12**      **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 7 June 2016 to discuss planning with James Wharton MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Communities and Local Government. Additional invitees would be discussed by the group via email.

**The meeting closed at 11.20am**

A full audio recording and written transcript of the meeting will be available on the group's website at [www.appgshalegas.uk](http://www.appgshalegas.uk)