



Joint Meeting with Oil and Gas Cross Party Group Joint Meeting on the Energy Transition

23 January 2020

The Scottish Parliament

Chair: Alexander Burnett MSP

1. Attendees and Presentations

The following MSPs were in attendance

- Alexander Burnett MSP
- Maureen Watt MSP
- Lewis Macdonald MSP
- Mark Ruskell MSP
- Claudia Beamish MSP
- Tom Mason MSP

Presentations were given by:

- Claire Mack, Scottish Renewables
- Matt Abraham, OGUK
- Alan MacLeay, Subsea7
- Martyn Link, Wood Group
- Scott Hamilton, Xodus Group

Other attendees were not recorded

2. Introduction from Chair

Alexander Burnett MSP chaired this session and introduced the meeting subject which was the energy transition.

3. Alan MacLeay, Subsea7

Alan Macleay advised CPG members of Subsea7s decision to diversify into renewables, its \$500million investment in renewables and its role in windfarm projects.

4. Martyn Link, Wood Group

Martyn Link described Woods diversification into renewables and acquisition of renewables companies, highlighting that the company's interests in oil and gas have fallen from 96% in 2014 to 55% today.

5. Scott Hamilton, Xodus Group

Advised CPG of policy changes at a government level which have held back the necessary deployment of renewable energy, citing the shift from the Renewables Obligation to Contracts for Difference support schemes as a nadir.

6. Claire Mack, Scottish Renewables

Claire Mack pointed to low-carbon heat and transport – sectors which together make up more than three-quarters of the energy used in Scotland – as areas with enormous economic potential.

7. Conclusions

Alexander Burnett concluded the meeting.