

Transforming places through clean growth

Putting local energy planning and innovation into practice

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Tuesday 19th June 2018, 9.00am – 4.15pm (Drinks reception 4.30-6.00pm)

Council House, Victoria Square, Birmingham

Outline Event agenda

9:00am Registration and refreshments

9:30am Welcome and introduction

- *Eric Brown, Director of Innovation, ESC*

9:45am Keynote speaker

- *James Heapey MP, Chair of the Conservative Back Bench Policy Committee for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy; Vice Chair of the Association for Decentralised Energy; Formerly served on the Energy & Climate Change Select Committee.*

10:20am Role of local areas in the future energy system

- *Patrick Allcorn, Head of Local Energy, BEIS*
- *Mark Atherton, Director of Environment, Greater Manchester Combined Authority*
- *Polly Billington, Director, UK100*

11:00am Break

11:30am Local energy system transition: Opportunities and challenges

- *Tim German, ESC - chairing*
- *Professor Ron Loveland, Chief Energy Adviser to the Welsh Government*
- *Paul Bircham, Commercial Strategy Director, Electricity North West*
- *Keith Owen, Head of Systems Development and Energy strategy, Northern Gas Networks*

12:15pm The importance of local area energy planning

Smart Systems and Heat – a Catapult update on its projects, based on the ETI's innovative work and investment in its EnergyPath Networks (EPN) modelling software.

- *Andrew Haslett, Chief Engineer, ETI*
- *Dr Natalie Lowery, Practice Manager, Local Area Planning, and Richard Halsey, Senior Programme Manager, ESC*
- *Councillor Nick Kemp, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services, Newcastle City Council*

- *Councillor Richard Young, Cabinet Member for Communities, Bridgend County Borough Council*

1:00pm Lunch

2:00pm Innovation as a driver for local economic growth

- *Rob Saunders, Head of Energy, Innovate UK*
- *Dan Caesar, Marketing and Communications Director, Ceres Power*

2:30pm Split into breakout sessions

2:45pm Session 1: Local Area Energy Planning in practice

Discussing how Local Area Energy Planning can help the UK meet its carbon emission reduction target, providing guidance, evidence-base and a timeline to implement the transition in a way that helps local communities both understand the costs and realise the benefits of decarbonisation.

Breakout Room 1

- *David Bell, Director of Planning & Development, JLL – chairing*
- *Rachel Coxcoon, Head of Local and Community Empowerment, Centre for Sustainable Energy*
- *Dr Natalie Lowery, Practice Manager, Local Area Planning, ESC*

2:45pm Session 2: Energy Town: market driven innovation

Driving the energy revolution by creating market pull for innovation in a digitalised, decarbonised and decentralised energy system, including the value of local decision-making.

Main stage

- *Eric Brown, Director of Innovation, ESC*
- *Tim Stiven, Head of Test and Demonstration, ESC*

2:45pm Session 3: Modern energy for the public sector estate

Learning how the public sector estate can help to stimulate the energy efficiency market, while making cost-optimised energy transition decisions: incorporating energy demand management, low carbon distributed generation and modern energy partnerships.

Breakout Room 2

- *Nick Smailes, Executive Director, External Relations, ESC*

3:45pm Final keynote

- *Sir Vince Cable, Leader of the liberal Democrats and founder of the Catapult network*

4.10pm Closing comments

- *Phil New, CEO, ESC*

4:15pm Conference ends



4:30pm **Post event drinks reception and networking**

6:00pm **Event close**