



**All Party Parliamentary Group on the Environment  
Annual General Meeting Minutes:**

*Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022, 10-11am (online)*

**Present at the meeting:**

Anthony Browne MP (CON)  
Barbara Young, Baroness Young of Old Scone (LAB)  
David Simmonds MP (CON)  
Jerome Mayhew MP (CON)  
Malcolm Caithness, Earl of Caithness (CON)  
Chris Skidmore MP (CON)  
Alex Stafford MP (CON)  
Natalie Bennett, Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle (GREEN)  
Christina Rees MP (LAB)  
Rebecca Long-Bailey MP (LAB)  
Douglas Chapman MP (SNP)

Shaun Spiers (Executive Director, Green Alliance)  
Joe Tetlow (Senior Political Adviser, Green Alliance)  
Robbie Macpherson (Political Adviser and APPG Coordinator, Green Alliance)  
Holly Rowden (Policy Adviser and APPG Coordinator, Green Alliance)

**Election of officers:**

Anthony Browne MP stepped down as Chair of the APPG. Chris Skidmore MP ran for election as Chair (seconded) by Baroness Young and was unanimously elected by those present.

Unanimously elected as Vice Chairs:

Baroness Natalie Bennett  
Douglas Chapman MP  
Luke Pollard MP  
Rebecca Long-Bailey MP  
Caroline Lucas MP  
Baroness Barbara Young  
Anthony Browne MP  
Alexander Stafford MP  
Jerome Mayhew MP  
Christina Rees MP  
Fay Jones MP

Alan Whitehead MP  
Lord Rupert Carrington  
Earl of Caithness, Malcolm  
Lord Ewen Cameron  
Deidre Brock MP  
Daniel Zeichner MP  
Laura Farris MP

**Approval of income and expenditure statement:**

A draft financial statement of the income, expenditure, and balance for the year ending 27 January 2022 was presented to the meeting and formally approved by the officers. This was signed off by the previous chair Anthony Browne MP and newly elected chair Chris Skidmore MP.

**Reflections from secretariat: Shaun Spiers (Executive Director, Green Alliance)**

- Keeping net zero on track as a policy aim is vital, particularly in the context of Ukraine, cost of living squeeze, and pushback against net zero
- Farming reform: also vital to stay on track
- Need to see more focus on delivery across government departments, and better join-up, as there is a danger we get commitments without the means to achieve them
- Greening the important govt depts that aren't delivering (notably DIT & DHCLUC) will be key
- Environment Act enforcement is a priority: consultation on environmental targets, need to see high ambition and, crucially, delivery

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