

Overview of conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas – February 2019

This is a summary overview of developments in the conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas, it includes planning, operations and business activities as well as objections and protests.

This review is based on a variety of sources and no guarantee can be given as to the accuracy of this information, links to references and further information are included.

East Midlands

Egdon Resources <u>announce</u> that they have appealed against the refusal of planning permission for oil production at Wressle.

The group monitoring Rathlin Energy's West Newton A well in East Yorkshire appealed to the local council to drop the threat of eviction from the site, the council <u>refused</u> to drop the eviction order.

Egdon Resources <u>announce</u> that the Biscathorpe-2 well in Lincolnshire encountered the Basal Westphalian Sandstone high and it was poorly developed, they will suspend the Biscathorpe-2 well in order to retain the option for a side-track.

South East

Angus Energy <u>announce</u> that the Brockham X4Z well has been perforated, and is producing water from part of the perforated section.

Angus Energy <u>announce</u> that they have applied for permissions to perform an extended well test at their Balcombe site. A later <u>announcement</u> says they plan for a minimum of 150 days production test and 24 months extended long term production testing.

<u>Report</u> that West Sussex County Council have approved plans by Angus Energy to increase the production hours for the Lidsey site. Angus Energy have <u>agreed</u> to purchase Doriemus Plc's 20% interest in the Lydsey licence.

Surrey residents protest about long term drilling and production plans for Horse Hill.

A 2.4 local magnitude <u>earthquake</u> was recorded in Surrey, this was followed a few days later by a <u>second earthquake</u> of 1.9 local magnitude and a <u>third event</u> of 3.1 magnitude on 27 February. A <u>paper</u> by three Edinburgh geologist suggests that the recent earthquake activity in Surrey is related to the Horse Hill exploration activity, this is denied by Horse Hill Developments Ltd (HHDL).

Report that UK Oil & Gas (UKOG) has contacted residents in Dunsfold, Surrey about plans for a proposed well, Dunsfold-1. Campaigners are urged to fight the Dunsfold-1 well. UKOG give details of planned well.

UKOG <u>announce</u> that they have resumed production from the Portland formation at Horse Hill. UKOG also <u>announce</u> that they have acquired Doriemus Plc's 6% shareholding in HHDL.

Other news

Report that South Western Energy is looking to carry out initial surveys in advance of drilling in Somerset.

The Committee on Climate Change (CCC) <u>report</u> recommends that no new homes should be connected to the gas grid by 2025. The CCC is an independent non-departmental public body that advises government.