

Overview of conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas – January 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.

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East Midlands

Two protestors [arrested](#) and banned from Egdon Resources' Biscathorpe drilling site, the Biscathorpe-2 well was [spudded](#) on 7 January. [Article](#) in [Drill or Drop?](#) about the community liaison group for Biscathorpe.

[Campaigners](#) plan 24-hour vigil at the Rathlin Energy (UK) Ltd West Newton A site. East Riding of Yorkshire council are threatening to [evict](#) protestors from a roadside camp at the site. Rathlin Energy is applying to change their [environmental permit](#) to carry out extended well tests on two wells at West Newton. Protestors call fire service to West Newton following a minor [incident](#) at rig site.

Egdon Resources win their [appeal](#) to operate the Wressle site until January 2020, their appeal for permission to produce from the well continues.

South East

Shareholders in Angus Energy call for a [general meeting](#) to propose changes to the board, they also announced details of a £3 million loan facility and results from the well test at Balcombe which suggest a high probability that continuous oil with low water cut could be produced. The meeting was later [cancelled](#) as the managing director of the board, Paul Vonk resigned and George Bingham became interim managing director and executive director.

UK Oil and Gas [announce](#) that they have produced over 25,000 barrels of oil from Horse Hill and hope that permanent production will start in winter 2019.

UKOG [confirmed](#) that their Markwells Wood site has been abandoned and gave details of nine new wells planned in southern England.

Europa Oil and Gas Ltd [record](#) an annual loss of £2.88m, this includes £1,145,00 as their share of the costs for the site at Bury Hill Wood in Surrey.

Other news

Lowest number of onshore oil and gas wells drilled in the UK for 68 years, [report](#) from Drill or Drop?

IGas Exploration UK Ltd applies to be struck off the Companies House [register](#).

Scarborough Borough Council approved a [motion](#) to become carbon neutral by 2030, five oil and gas licences lie within the borough boundary.

Egdon Resources [announce](#) that their Exploration Director Martin Durham, will be appointed to the board to replace Jerry Field, Technical Director who is retiring.

Report in the [Independent](#) of an increase in oil and gas companies using injunctions to stop protestors.