

## Overview of conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas – November 2018

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

Small [protest](#) against oil drilling took place at the Biscathorpe site in Lincolnshire, the site is currently under construction. Natalie Bennett of the Green Party published an [article](#) on local objections in the Ecologist.

[Planners](#) recommend that planning consent at Rathlin Energy's West Newton A site in East Yorkshire should be extended until 2021. [Reabold Resources](#) will invest £3 million in Rathlin Energy in exchange for a 37.08% equity interest. East Riding of Yorkshire Council [approve](#) by six votes to five, the extension of planning permission for Rathlin Energy's West Newton A site. Rathlin Energy [announce](#) that construction operations would begin at West Newton A on or after 3 December 2019.

Planning officers [recommend](#) North Lincolnshire council approve planning consent for Wressle oil field. However, the council [rejected](#) Egdon Resources' proposal for long term oil production for the third time. [Egdon Resources](#) are to appeal the decision.

### South East

The HSE issued two improvement notices ([here](#) and [here](#)) to IGas following an unintentional escape of water at their Stockbridge oil field in Hampshire in July 2018. The company has until 15 January 2019 to comply with the notices.

Campaigners [call](#) for tougher rules to cover the use of acid at Weald oil field sites.

UKOG published [results](#) from the Horse Hill well tests, both gas and oil were produced during the tests.

Angus Energy submitted an updated [statement](#) on the proposed workover to the Brockham oil well to Surrey County Council. The Environmental Agency issued a [permit](#) requiring more controls before appraisal and production can begin at the site.

Report from the [OGA](#) on a workshop discussing the seismic activity seen around Newdigate in 2018 concluded that there was no causal link between the seismic events and oil and gas activity.

A local residents' group [reports](#) that UKOG is pulling out of its site at Markwells Wood.

### Other news

[Angus Energy](#) announce a placing of 22.2 million shares, subject to approval of shareholders on 22 November 2018.

Article in the [New Socialist](#) on how a Labour Government might change the planning system for fracking operations.

Climate change [protestors](#) block access to the Department of Business Energy and Industrial Strategy, 22 people were arrested.