

Overview of conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas – October 2020

This is a summary overview of developments in the conventional onshore UK Oil and Gas industry. 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 which are included.

East Midlands

Rathlin Energy Ltd [announced](#) that drilling has started at their West Newton B site. Drill or Drop? [reported](#) on details for the proposed West Newton C and D exploration sites.

Drill or Drop? [reported](#) that the case challenging the decommissioning costs for Third Energy's wells in Yorkshire has been dismissed by the court. Drill or Drop? [published](#) extracts from an interview with Russell Hoare, the managing director of Third Energy.

Angus Energy PLC [announced](#) that work was to commence on the pipeline at Saltfleetby.

Europa Oil & Gas plc, [published](#) their final results for the year ending 31 July 2020.

Union Jack Oil PLC [announced](#) that they will acquire an additional 30% interest in PEDL241, which contains the proposed North Kelsey well.

South East

UK Oil & Gas PLC (UKOG) [announced](#) that following the arrival of a small workover rig, routine intervention operations were to start on their Horse Hill-1 well. Horse Hill Developments Ltd [published](#) their financial statements for year ending 30 September 2019, showing a loss of £1,155,205. Surrey County Council (SCC) [approved](#) UKOG's Transport and Traffic Management Plan for Horse Hill. Drill or Drop? [reported](#) that the meeting by SCC to consider UKOG's plans to drill at Dunsfold has been postponed until 27 November. Extinction Rebellion protestors [occupied](#) the Horse Hill wellsite. Drill or Drop? [reported](#) that UKOG have made changes to the proposed access route for Arreton in the Isle of Wight. UKOG [announced](#) that they have relinquished PEDL143, which contained the proposed Leith Hill site.

A [presentation](#) from Angus Energy to investors said that they intend to restart oil production at Brockham, subject to approvals by the Environmental Agency and Oil & Gas Authority. Angus [announced](#) that they had executed a Sale & Purchase Agreement for the purchase of Doriemus plc's 10% interest in the Brockham licence PL235. Drill or Drop? [reported](#) that the Oil & Gas Authority have agreed to extend the licence for PL235 for 6 months.

A [report](#) by the Weald Action Group refutes claims that UK onshore oil has a lower carbon footprint than imported oil. (Link will download report).

IGas [announced](#) that it had signed a memorandum of understanding with BayoTech, to produce hydrogen from natural gas.

Other news

UKOG [announced](#) that it had successfully raised £2.2 million to fund its share of initial drilling and seismic cost for the Turkish Resan project.