

## AGM – Thursday 9 December 2021

### Questions & Answers via Zoom chat function

**Q From Phil Mollicone to Everyone 06:13 PM**

I somehow missed that the London office had been closed. Does that mean you all work from home?

**A From Lydia Dumont to Everyone 06:13 PM**

Yes Phil, we've been working from home since March 2020.

**Q From Tim Papworth to Everyone 06:21 PM**

How many members does PESGB have? How many members gained or lost during 2020?

**A From Beverley Smith to Everyone 06:24 PM**

Around 4000 members. It held pretty constant in 2020 I seem to remember but has increased in 2021

**A from James Churchill (verbally)**

[Presented the membership slide] – February 2020 was lowest point and membership has been steadily increasing month on month since then. Currently we have 4156 members (as of 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021).

**Q From Jerry Chessell to Everyone 06:26 PM**

Thanks Graham. Can you say how much the voluntary contributions helped in 2020?

**A from Maria Iredale (verbally)**

The voluntary contributions helped enormously, both financially and emotionally for the team, to see how members were supporting us during these tough times.

**Q From Tim Papworth to Everyone 06:27 PM**

Did Prospex in December 2020 lose money or make a profit?

**A From Beverley Smith to Everyone 06:27 PM**

Prospex online broke even

**Q From Lucy Williams to Everyone 06:47 PM**

Can you provide the link to that report please

**A From Raquel Arzola to Everyone 06:54 PM**

Full report in <https://www.pesgb.org.uk/news/energy-transition-working-group-recommendations-to-executive-council/>

**Q From Jerry Chessell to Everyone 06:45 PM**

Jumping ahead - but is there a candidate name change that could retain the "P" rather than changing from the established "PESGB"?

**Q From Ron Daniel to Everyone 06:46 PM**

Could we become the Energy Exploration Society of GB?

**Q From Alan Foun to Everyone 06:48 PM**

what about Petroleum and Energy Society of GB - no need to change the initials - or PESGB the Geoenergy society

**Q From One of the Offers to Everyone 06:51 PM**

What do you vote if you are happy with a name change but think the new proposed name sucks?

**Q From Malcolm Francis to Everyone 06:53 PM**

Can you provide an open question (or two) to allow suggestions from the membership?

**Q From Ben Manton to Everyone 06:56 PM**

Energy and exploration?

**A from Raquel Arzola (post AGM):**

The PESGB will be happy to take any alternative name suggestions from the membership. Please send them through to [maria@pesgb.org.uk](mailto:maria@pesgb.org.uk) for consideration. A reminder that the vote is indicative only between today and 24<sup>th</sup> December. The results will be issued in January, and next steps discussed then.

**Q From Jeremy Daines to Everyone 07:00 PM**

So, looking into the future the amount of subsurface petroleum technical focus will become steadily diluted by the other geoEnergy topics?

**A from James Churchill (post AGM):**

The lecture and magazine content reflects what the members ask to see or read about but in many cases the content reflects what is available. If the petroleum content does become diluted in the main forums it will be an organic process but there is always space elsewhere within the Society's content. I envisage the subsurface petroleum technical focus will continue whilst other content becomes more accessible but the rate of this change is uncertain.

**Q From Phil Mollicone to Everyone 07:07 PM**

Will the digital and paper versions [of the magazine] be the same?

**A From Maria Iredale to Everyone 07:07 PM**

Yes, they will be.