

2025



Impact Report

A Net Zero Future





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FOREWORD FROM THE REA CHAIR

The UK's transition to a clean, secure and affordable energy system has never been more critical. Renewable energy is now central to our national resilience, economic growth and net zero ambitions.

Over the past year, our members have continued to demonstrate leadership across a wide range of renewable and clean technologies. By working together, we have strengthened the sector's collective voice and reinforced the vital contribution renewables make to households, businesses and communities across the UK.

This report highlights the progress made, the challenges ahead and the role our association continues to play in enabling delivery at scale as we enter our 25th year.



MARTIN WRIGHT - AURORA VENTURES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Over the past year, we have worked closely with government, regulators, and system operators to shape a policy framework that supports investment, deployment, and innovation across all renewable technologies and circular bioresources. Through targeted advocacy, robust analysis, and constructive engagement, we have helped ensure that the contribution of renewables is fully recognised in energy strategy, market reform, and infrastructure planning. We have also secured major wins for the circular economy, expanding opportunities for companies in that sector. At the same time, we have supported our members with timely insight, forums for collaboration, and clear guidance to navigate regulatory and commercial change.

Our impact extends beyond policy influence. We have strengthened cross-technology collaboration, amplified the economic and social benefits of renewables, and championed skills, supply-chain resilience, and regional growth. This report highlights the tangible outcomes achieved through our collective efforts, as well as the growing influence and credibility of the Association as a trusted partner to decision-makers.

Looking ahead, the scale and pace of the energy transition will demand continued ambition, coordination, and leadership. With our diverse membership, strong governance, and clear strategic focus, we are well positioned to support the next phase of growth and to ensure renewable energy remains at the heart of a secure, affordable, and net zero energy system for the UK.



TREVOR HUTCHINGS - REA GROUP CEO

04 About Us

The Association for Renewable Energy and Clean Technology, the **REA** is the UK's leading trade body across power, heat, transport and circular bioresources. Renewable technologies, clean fuels, energy storage, energy demand and other enabling technologies are all represented by REA.

We are the collective voice of the UK's renewable energy and circular bioresources sectors, bringing together the technologies essential to a resilient, affordable, and sustainable future. By championing collaboration, evidence-based policy, and long-term market certainty, we work to ensure renewable energy continues to power economic growth, energy security, and decarbonisation across the UK, whilst our work on reducing organic waste to landfill ensures best use is made of these valuable resources.

Our diverse membership includes innovators, investors, and supply-chain partners, from innovative SMEs to global organisations, united by a shared commitment to accelerating the transition to a net zero energy system.

Renewable Energy Assurance Limited, **REAL**, a wholly owned subsidiary of the REA, plays a critical role in maintaining trust, standards and consumer confidence across the sector. Through the administration of robust certification schemes and codes of practice, REAL ensures that renewable energy technologies are deployed to high quality and ethical standards. Its work supports industry credibility, protects consumers and underpins the continued growth of the UK's clean energy market.

Our Strategic Priorities

During 2025, our work focused on four core priorities were:

- ◆ Delivering policy and regulatory wins for our members.
- ◆ Developing strong and productive relationships with members & partners.
- ◆ Growing REA's financial resilience.
- ◆ Developing our people to achieve their full potential.

Our Vision, Mission and Values

We are a Purpose and Values driven organisation. Here are our Vision, Mission and Values:

Our Vision

A net zero future built on renewable energy and clean technology

Our Mission

To decarbonise the economy and help our members build commercially and environmentally sustainable businesses

Our Company Values

We have pride in our work

We are committed to our stakeholders

We deliver on our promises

We are passionate and respectful

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Our Strategy On One Page

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Strategic Objectives

A Achieve Impact

A bigger impact in our policy & service areas

B Build Growth

Commercial growth to support our mission

C Collaborate with Members & Partners

Strong & productive relationships with members & partners

D Develop Our People

Our people achieve their full potential

Key Enabling activities

- Strengthen our policy capacity & expertise
- Advocacy & PR strategy
- Brand and website refresh
- Campaigns approach
- Targets and KPIs to drive performance
- Demonstrating success
- Own market data and insights on sector
- Thought leadership
- High profile members

- Grow membership
- Commercial culture
- Expand existing and develop new value propositions
- Support REAL to grow
- International opportunities
- White labelling & commercial affiliations
- Govt frameworks and accreditations

- Closer membership engagement & involvement in REA governance
- Forge partnerships, inc. with other Trade Associations
- Account management disciplines
- CRM and digital tools to improve member experience

- Performance appraisal
- Recruitment
- Training and talent development
- Policies, procedures
- Reward and recognition
- Grading structure and career path
- At least the London Living Wage

Supporting Services, Structures & Governance

Structure and governance aligned with strategy
Strengthened supporting services: Finance, HR, Ops, Systems, IT.
Closer alignment with REAL

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Policy, Advocacy & Influence

Our Strategic Impact

In a sector defined by regulatory frameworks, the REA serves as the critical interface between industry expertise and political action. Our mission is to ensure that the clean energy transition is supported by a robust, predictable, and ambitious policy landscape that unlocks investment and accelerates project delivery.

Comprehensive Stakeholder Engagement

Throughout the year, we engaged extensively with **UK Government departments, devolved administrations, Parliament, and regulators**. By providing authoritative policy submissions, technical briefings, and high-profile events, we ensured that industry expertise directly informed decision-making. Our advocacy supports a **whole-system approach**, bridging the gap between isolated technologies to create a unified energy strategy.

Key Priorities & Strategic Wins

Our influence was concentrated on four critical pillars: **Planning Reform, Grid Connections, Market Design, and Sustainability Frameworks**.

Shaping National Strategy: The REA represented the industry on **five key government task forces**, ensuring our members' technical insights directly steered national energy policy.

- **Driving Parliamentary Consensus:** We provided the secretariat for **two All-Party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs)**, fostering essential cross-party support for clean technology and long-term policy stability.
- **High-Level Ministerial Access:** We facilitated frequent, high-level engagements with multiple **Ministers and MPs**, ensuring that the specific challenges faced by our members reached the heart of Westminster.
- **A Major Fiscal Victory:** We successfully championed the **transition of legacy policy costs from energy bills to general taxation**. Secured in the recent Budget, this strategic shift levels the playing field for electricity and supports the wider electrification of heat and transport.
- **Grid and Planning Reform:** We pushed for fundamental changes to "unblock the queue" for grid connections and worked to streamline planning for renewable assets, reducing the time from "concept to kilowatt."

Member Value & Industry Collaboration

The Voice of the Industry

Beyond the halls of Westminster, we amplified the sector's message to the wider public and the investment community.

- **Media Impact:** The REA championed member interests through high-profile appearances on the **BBC, LBC, and GB News**, shaping the national conversation around energy security and net zero.
- **Global Representation:** As **UNFCCC Official Observers at COP30**, we ensured that the UK's clean-tech leadership was represented on the global stage, providing members with a platform for international influence.

Supporting our members is at the core of the REA's mission. Throughout this period, our targeted activities strengthened industry collaboration and empowered our members to shape collective solutions for a net-zero future.

1. Global Influence & Policy Leadership

- **COP30 International Presence:** As **UNFCCC Official Observers**, the REA hosted a dedicated Pavilion in Brazil for the full two-week summit. We provided a high-profile platform for members to build international influence and showcased the UK clean-tech sector on the global stage.
- **Planning & Infrastructure Reform:** Successfully advocated for critical reforms to **National Planning Statements**, streamlining the development process for renewable projects.
- **Legislative Wins:** Directly influenced the **Planning and Infrastructure Bill** to include mandated accessibility standards for EV charging, ensuring a future-proofed transport network.
- **Grid Modernization:** Played a leading role in grid reform negotiations to accelerate connection timescales, a primary barrier to member project delivery.

2. Sector-Specific Advocacy Examples

- **Energy Storage:** Instrumental in the design and securing of the new **Long-Duration Energy Storage (LDES)** support scheme, providing a vital revenue bridge for the sector.
- **Green Gas & Biomethane:** Co-founded the **Green Gas Taskforce** to elevate the profile of biomethane and successfully secured an extension to the **Green Gas Support Scheme (GGSS)**.
- **Circular Economy & Waste:** Led the defence of "end of waste" positions for compost and digestate during the **Resource Frameworks Review**, heading off significant potential costs for members.
- **Bioenergy & Landfill Gas:** Continued robust support for Biomass and EfW businesses, while securing progress on replacement mechanisms for landfill gas sites transitioning off the Renewables Obligation (RO).

Member Value & Industry Collaboration

3. Market Intelligence & Member Engagement

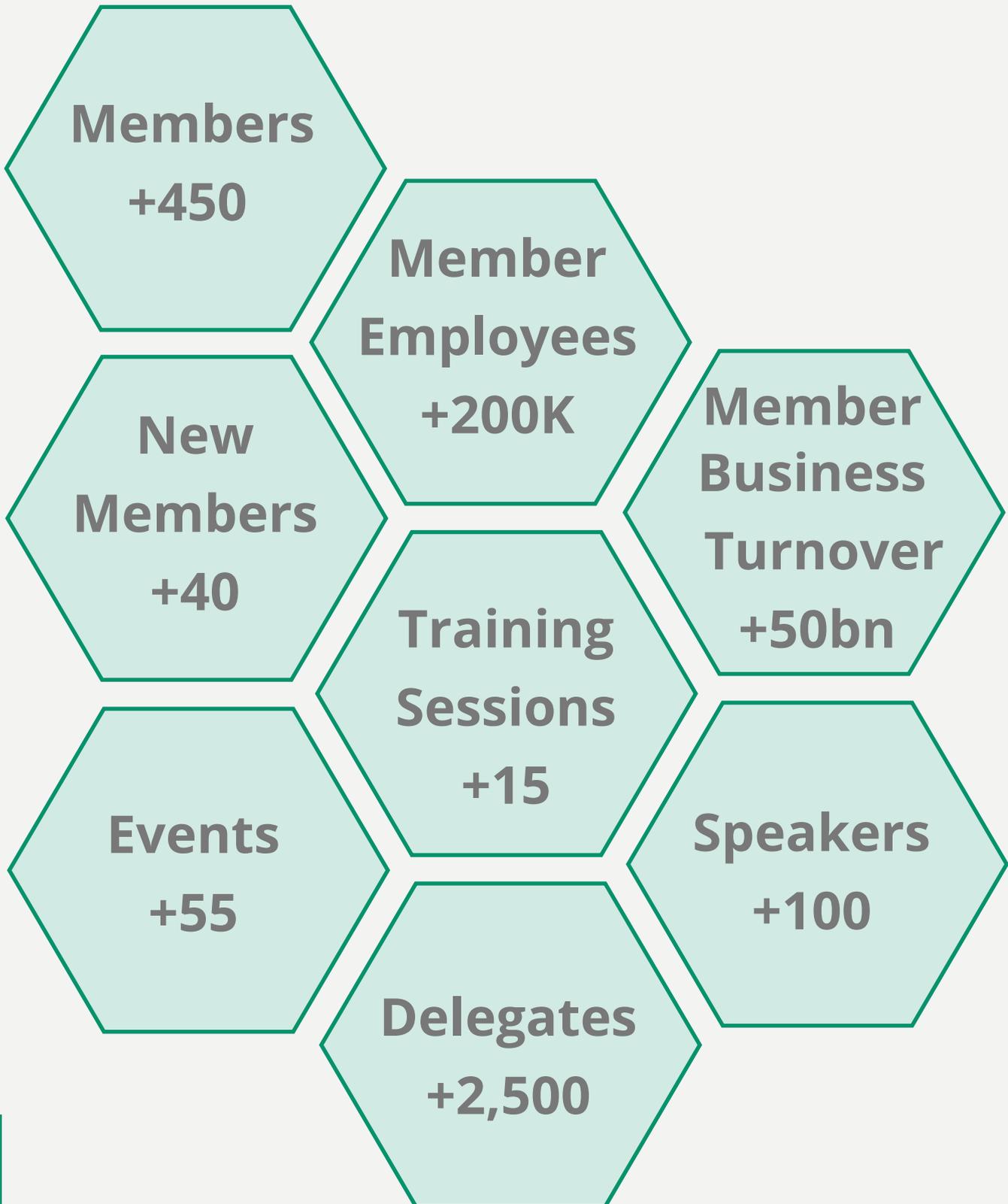
- **Thought Leadership:** Delivered over **50 comprehensive consultation responses**, ensuring the voice of the industry is embedded in government decision-making.
- **Expert Insight:** Provided authoritative analysis, high-profile conferences, and regular policy briefings to keep members ahead of market shifts.
- **Innovative Programming:** Launched new **Data Centre Programs** and cross-technology working groups to address emerging high-demand sectors.
- **Consumer Incentives:** Spearheaded a national **Salary Sacrifice Campaign** to increase the affordability of home energy retrofits, driving demand for domestic clean-tech.

4. Commercial Growth and Strategic Development

- **Bespoke Project Delivery:** Awarded **three major bespoke projects** that contributed directly to the REA's financial stability while driving broader industry growth and member value.
- **Expanding Membership and Sector Representation**
We continued to grow and diversify our membership base across renewable and clean technologies, adding **over 40 new members** strengthening our collective voice and increasing our influence with government, regulators and key stakeholders.
- **Launching the Data Centres Coalition**
We established the REA Data Centres Coalition to bring together industry stakeholders at the intersection of renewable energy and rapidly growing digital infrastructure demand. The coalition provides a platform to address the significant energy requirements of data centres, promote the use of clean power, and support policy development that enables sustainable growth of this critical sector.
- **Strategic Mergers and Acquisitions** We have taken a proactive approach to strategic growth through mergers and acquisitions, including the successful acquisition of the **Geothermal Energy Advancement Association GEAA**, broadening our technology coverage and strengthening our position as a multi-technology trade body.
- **Embedding a Commercial Culture Across the Organisation** We have placed greater emphasis on commercial awareness and accountability across teams, aligning activities with revenue generation, member value and long-term organisational sustainability.
- **Enhancing and Diversifying Value Propositions** We have expanded existing member services and developed new offerings to better meet the evolving needs of industry, including enhanced insight, policy engagement, events and partnership opportunities.
- **Supporting the Growth of Renewable Energy Assurance Limited (REAL)** We have worked closely with REAL to strengthen its commercial position, expand its certification and assurance services, and reinforce its role in driving standards, trust and consumer protection across the sector.

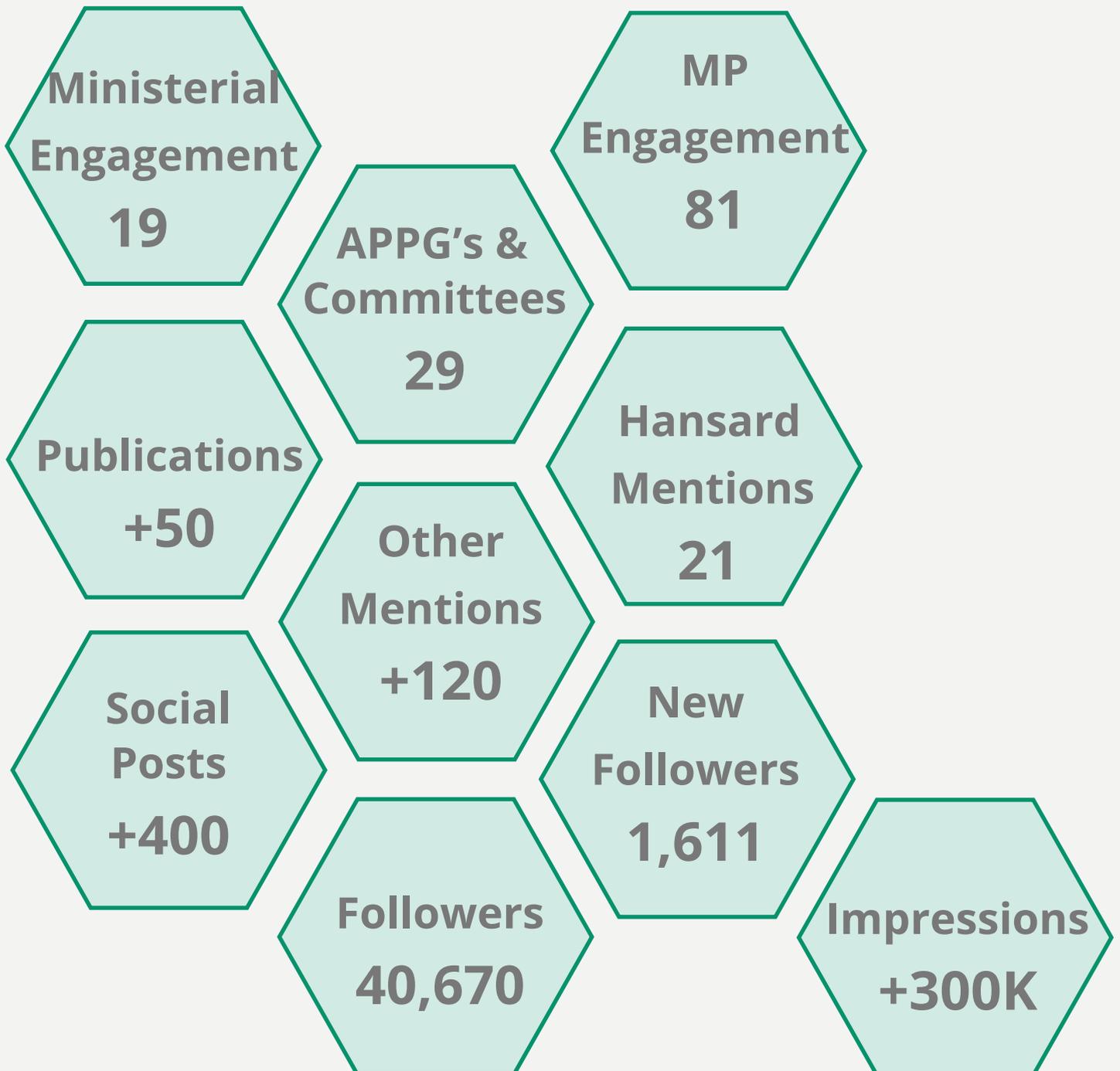
Membership

Statistical snapshot



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Parliamentary Engagement and Social Media



The REA Advantage

By aggregating the voices of our diverse membership, the REA provides a **single, authoritative point of contact** for policymakers. This collective strength across the renewable energy supply chain allows us to negotiate from a position of power, turning individual industry challenges into nationwide policy solutions.

Power, Flexibility & Energy Demand

The REA's 4 power forums share the defining priority of working towards the delivery of a clean energy system that is renewable, flexible, investable and capable of meeting fast-changing demand. Member companies signed up to these forums include developers, installers, equipment suppliers, investors, lawyers, insurers and consultants. These members, along with REA's expert policy staff, are at forefront of all that is happening as deployment of renewable power accelerates across the UK.

The Solar & Energy Storage forum brings together two of the most important technologies that will underpin the UK's drive towards its Clean Power 2030 commitments. Together, these two fast-growing technologies will help the UK to establish an affordable, secure pathway towards its net zero targets, while crucially underpinning the possibilities for increased flexibility, resilience and balance. Long duration storage will also play a significant role in ensuring the benefits of a flexible energy system can be fully realised.

Policy areas that are covered include planning and grid reform, Contracts for Difference as well as communicating the benefits of these technologies to government officials and wider stakeholders.

The Decentralised Energy Forum focuses on deploying and optimising local renewable generation at building, estate, community and industrial levels - linking decentralised assets to smarter energy systems that maximise value locally. It operates across power, heat and also transport, particularly how electric vehicle charging infrastructure is embedded into the energy system. Complementing this, the Energy Demand Forum examines the key forces reshaping electricity and heat demand over the next decade: system flexibility, the growing needs of AI-driven data centres, the electrification of industry and everyday life.

Rounding this all off is the Finance & Insurance forum,

as without money the energy transition would grind to a halt. Unlocking it all requires investment and bankable projects. This forum connects developers with investors, highlighting the big opportunities and routes to market across renewable technologies, strengthening financial literacy, expanding funding routes and shaping policy to unlock capital.



Heat and Biomass

Heat and Bioenergy brings together the REA's member-led forums focused on delivering low carbon heat and sustainable bioenergy in the UK, alongside closely linked sectors such as waste-to-energy and geothermal. Within this, the REA acts as the UK's leading trade body for the bioenergy industry, representing the sector through three core forums aligned to the UK's main bioenergy feedstock sources: Biomass UK, the Green Gas Forum and the Energy from Waste Forum. Together, these forums provide a coordinated platform for industry leaders, developers, financiers, service providers and academics to shape policy, unlock investment and accelerate deployment at scale. A strong emphasis is placed on proactive communications and public affairs, championing the role of bioenergy and making a positive, evidence-based case to MPs and policymakers.

Biomass UK represents the UK's biomass power sector and champions the role of sustainable biomass across the energy system, with biomass power remaining the UK's second-largest source of low-carbon electricity. The forum's work is focused on safeguarding Government support schemes to provide market certainty, enable continued investment, and support robust sustainability standards that underpin confidence in, and the long-term resilience of, biomass supply chains, recognising biomass as a critical component of the UK energy mix.

The Energy from Waste Forum represents the wider waste supply chain and plays a central role in shaping policy at the intersection of waste, resources and energy. The forum works closely with Biomass UK and the Green Gas Forum on cross-cutting priorities including carbon capture and storage, future UK ETS alignment, changing waste composition, sustainability, and the long-term availability of feedstock.

Through the Green Gas Forum, the REA supports the rapid scaling of biomethane as a key pillar of heat

decarbonisation and energy security, working as part of the Green Gas Task Force. The forum focuses on addressing critical enablers for growth, including planning and permitting reform, grid connections, market frameworks and long-term policy certainty, while promoting the role of biomethane in greening the gas network and supporting rural economies.

The Geothermal Energy Forum strengthens the sector's collective voice following the REA's acquisition of the Geothermal Energy Association (GEAA) at the end of 2025, with the REA also acting as Secretariat for the APPG on Geothermal. The forum focuses on securing financial support, planning and regulatory reform to unlock deployment, building on earlier successes such as achieving a dedicated Renewable Heat Incentive tariff for deep geothermal heating projects.

Heat decarbonisation remains a critical strategic priority for the REA, as it lags behind power in decarbonisation but represents a major area of demand for many of our technologies. Our refreshed strategy focuses on scaling heat networks, supporting low-carbon alternatives for industrial and commercial heat, greening the gas network, enabling circular resource recovery, and accelerating deployment of renewable and low-carbon heat solutions across homes, communities and industry, including biomass heat as part of the overall mix.



Circular Bioresources

The REA's Circular Bioresources (CBR) work brings together specialist industry forums that champion the recovery and productive use of biological resources. Together, they help accelerate the UK's transition to a circular economy by cutting emissions, improving environmental performance, and turning waste streams into valuable assets. This cross-sector collaboration spans the full bioresource lifecycle - from collection and feedstock quality to treatment, end-use markets, and long-term policy development.

REA Organics leads on composting, aerobic and anaerobic digestion, and related biological treatment processes. It promotes the use of high-quality composts, digestates, and stabilised organic materials that improve soil health, business productivity, and wider societal outcomes. With members across operators, service providers, consultants, and land recycling organisations, the forum has represented the sector for over 30 years and remains a central voice in shaping policy and regulation alongside government and regulators. Its priorities include strengthening quality assurance and end-of-waste pathways, raising feedstock standards, addressing operational and emissions challenges, enabling safe and effective land application, and shaping policy on compostable packaging.

The forum also supports member growth through networking and collaboration across government and trade bodies, working closely with the Green Gas Forum where interests and membership overlap.

The Landfill Gas (LFG) Forum provides a coordinated platform for owners, operators, and developers of UK landfill gas projects. It enables joint problem-solving and unified representation to regulators, government, and suppliers. A key strategic focus is managing risks linked to the scheduled end of Renewables Obligation support, with over 85% of sites expected to lose support in

April 2027. The forum is actively advocating for a medium-term government intervention to maintain the status quo while a long-term policy is developed. Although the electricity generated by the sector is not insignificant (c 3TWh pa), the main driver for government intervention is the risk of increased emissions of methane to atmosphere if no action is taken.

Together, these forums create a strong foundation for scaling sustainable bioresource management, safeguarding environmental gains, and ensuring biological waste streams and legacy sites play a meaningful role in achieving the UK's net zero and circular economy ambitions.

Recent achievements underline the sector's momentum. The REA led the industry throughout the Quality Protocols / Resource Frameworks review, securing retention of the end-of-waste positions for compost and digestate - a major outcome demonstrating sector leadership and value. The REA has been invited to contribute to the Circular Economy Taskforce and Scotland's circular economy strategy, embedding key CBR principles into national policy. Significant progress has also been made on landfill gas policy, the Carbon Budget and Growth Delivery Plan (October 2025) committed the government to actively exploring the case for action. DESNZ will shortly launch a data gathering exercise on costs of electricity generation from landfill, with a view to a possible consultation before the summer. The forthcoming Simpler Recycling regulations represent another landmark win, expected to transform the sector over the coming years. In parallel, the REA worked with partners to develop a practical solution for Scotland's biodegradable landfill ban, ensuring policy ambition is matched by deliverable implementation.

Transport

The REA's transport activity brings together two complementary member forums focused on accelerating the UK's shift to low-carbon mobility: RECHARGE UK (electric vehicle charging infrastructure) and the Renewable Transport Fuels (RTF) Forum (renewable and low-carbon fuels for harder-to-electrify transport).

RECHARGE UK is the UK's largest electric vehicle forum, representing around 75 members across the EV charging ecosystem including chargepoint operators, manufacturers, finance and legal partners. It exists to unlock faster infrastructure deployment and improve the consumer charging experience by addressing policy, regulatory, skills, accessibility and utilisation barriers. Its report "Charging Forward to 2030" sets out solutions to accelerate chargepoint rollout and tackle unequal geographic access to charging. Engagement is strengthened through three active working groups - On-street Home Connected Charging, Heavy Goods Vehicles, and Bidirectional Charging - each designed to build industry consensus and maintain regular dialogue with Government on priority issues. RECHARGE UK also serves as secretariat to the Electric Vehicle All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG), chaired by Matt Western MP, enabling parliamentarians to hear directly from the sector and supporting improved policy focus to speed up EV adoption.

The REA Renewable Transport Fuels Forum promotes the uptake of fuels that decarbonise transport modes such as HGVs, commercial fleets, aviation and maritime. Representing a wide range of fuel pathways - including CNG/LNG biomethane, hydrogen and recycled carbon fuels - the forum works closely with Government on key mechanisms like the Renewable Transport Fuel Obligation (RTFO) and the Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Mandate, ensuring a holistic, cross-

technology approach to reducing emissions. Recent activity includes multiple consultation responses on RTFO and SAF policy design, and a October 2025 roundtable focused on accelerating road decarbonisation while supporting domestic renewable fuel supply chains. Core objectives include raising road decarbonisation ambition, strengthening domestic production and security of supply, improving mandate clarity and eligibility criteria to unlock investment, expanding incentivisation for fuels such as SAF, addressing Indirect Land Use Change (ILUC) impacts, and enabling additional approval pathways for SAF. Some key achievements for the sector:

Over 1.6 million EVs now on the roads

Additional £1.3 billion for the electric car grant in the Budget and £100m for public chargepoint rollout, with a commitment to review the cost of public charging in 2026

Secured government amendment to Planning and Infrastructure Bill to give government powers to mandate accessibility standards

Landmark PAS 1899 accessibility standards adopted for new chargers

Government commitment to SAF Revenue Certainty Mechanism to support the development of a UK SAF industry - legislation started Parliamentary process

New planning rights for gully chargers consulted on

Refresh of EV All Party Parliamentary Group, with focus on retail markets, infrastructure and consumer experience

6 Working Groups and multiple reports published including landmark cybersecurity report

International

The REA, has established itself as a significant non-party actor in the UN climate process.

REA occupies a unique position as a **multi-technology trade body** with **formal UNFCCC Observer Status at COP**, which many smaller or more niche trade groups are unable to achieve.

REA at COP

Starting at COP 26 in Glasgow REA has been an official UNFCCC observer and has been at the centre of COP's climate debate. At **COP30 in Belém, Brazil (2025)**, we were once again a prominent trade body operating at the Renewable Energy Action Pavilion within the **Blue Zone**—the restricted area reserved for UN-accredited delegates, heads of state, and official observers.

What the REA Achieved at COP30

Operating from our "Renewable Energy Action" pavilion in the Blue Zone, the REA focused on bridging the gap between high-level policy and industry-ready technology.

Global Policy Influence: As official observers, the REA had the mandate to submit formal "interventions" and attend closed-door sessions. We pushed for the "Belém Action Mechanism," advocating for a clearer roadmap to phase out fossil fuels following the "UAE Consensus" of COP28.

Grid and Storage Advocacy: A major win at COP30 was the increased focus on infrastructure. The REA was instrumental in highlighting that

"tripling renewables" is impossible without "tripling the grid." We supported the launch of the Global Grids and Storage Coordination Council, ensuring that energy storage (a core REA technology) was recognized as a prerequisite for the energy transition.

Bilateral Trade Links: We used the Blue Zone access to facilitate "Networking Beyond Borders," connecting UK clean-tech companies with Brazilian and South American partners to export expertise in biomass, green hydrogen, and circular bio-resources.

The "Implementation" Narrative: Since COP30 was branded the "COP of Implementation," the REA shifted the focus from setting new targets to technical delivery, hosting workshops on how to solve permitting and interconnection delays that plague projects globally.

Supporting Members: We were able to support our members by providing them with a base inside the Blue Zone to hold events and meetings and help with brand profile.

The REA's presence ensured that the **technical reality of the industry** was present in the room where the rules are written. They acted as a "reality check" for negotiators - reminding them that a 1.5°C path requires not just ambition, but the supply chains, skilled workers, and battery storage systems that REA members represent.

Governance and Leadership

The association is governed by a member-led Board supported by specialist committees and working groups. Strong governance ensures transparency, accountability and alignment with member priorities.

Corporate Board



- Martin Wright - REA Chair & Aurora Ventures
- Trevor Hutchings - REA Group CEO
- Duncan Valentine - Almax Partners
- Vijay Shinde - Independent (Siemens)
- Becky Wheeler - Future Biogas
- David Williams - Schroders Greencoat LLP
- Ian Waller - REA Policy Board Chair & In Perpetuum
- Phillip Sellwood CBE - REAL Chair
- Rory Tait - REA Company Secretary

Our policy work is overseen by our Policy Board. This comprises the chairs of our Member Forums. The chair of the Policy Board sits on our Board of Directors.

Policy Board



- Ian Waller - Inperpetuum (Renewable Transport Fuels Forum/Policy Board Chair)
- Mark Constable - Trojan Energy (RECharge UK)
- Graeme Kennett - WRM (Organics Forum)
- Mark Christensen - Anaergia (EfW Forum)
- Chris Tanner - Foresight Group (Finance Forum)
- Terrence McCracken - Innasol (Wood Heat Forum)
- Jean-Pascal D. Boutin - Watson, Farley & Williams (Decentralised Energy Forum)
- Alessandra Dezottis - Sonnedix (Solar & Storage Forum)
- Max Carcas - Caelulum (Innovation Forum)
- Andrew Georgiou - USIPA (BiomassUK)
- Steve Shaw - Veolia (Landfill Gas Forum)

REA Subsidiary



The REA has a wholly-owned subsidiary, **Renewable Energy Assurance Ltd (REAL)**. This is a company limited by guarantee which was incorporated in 2006. REAL operates a suite of industry schemes and accreditation services to domestic renewable technologies, electric vehicle charging, biogas, composting, biofertiliser and compostable packaging markets.



The Corporate Board

- Virginia Graham OBE - CEO
(Retired 31.12.2025)
- Philip Sellwood CBE - Chair
- Michael Cheshire
- Sue Ellwood
- David Williams
- Philip Wolfe
- Trevor Hutchings - CEO, REA Group

REAL activities support the transition to net zero under three headings: consumer codes, certification schemes and other schemes.

It administers two **consumer codes** setting rigorous standards for businesses to ensure high-quality service and protection. These codes foster a transparent market for renewable energy and EV charging. We also operate an effective ADR scheme, having resolved 11,000+ complaints and recovered over £3.8 million for consumers through expert mediation.

Our **certifications schemes** work ensures that sector participants are complying with the highest environmental and operational GB, UK and EU standards. In this way we provide end consumers with the information they need, guaranteeing that the products they buy meet the environmental and sustainability standards they expect.

Other schemes include **EV Roam**, a registry of providers ensuring seamless charging and billing for EV drivers, **Green Homes Dispute Resolution**, a certified ADR provider resolving renewable energy and green home disputes, and the **Research Hub**, a scientific funder improving organic materials certification through circular economy research.



18 Events

The REA maintained a busy calendar focused on professional recognition, policy shifts, technical innovation, and industry networking. The landmark event of the year was the **20th British Renewable Energy Awards (BREAs)** on June 12th at the Sheraton Grand London Park Lane, celebrating industry excellence. Also in June, the REA partnered with the International Sustainable Forestry Coalition for **London Climate Action Week** to discuss nature-positive futures. Throughout the year, REA conducted several strategic and technical sessions, including the **Organics Conference** held in March to support certification schemes like the CCS and BCS, the **UK Green Gas Day** in October focused on the evolving role of bio-methane and hydrogen in the national energy transition, hosting sessions at the Renewable Energy Action Pavilion at **COP30** in November, and the **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** which took place on December 11th in London, addressing the REA's 2025 performance and the acquisition of the Geothermal Advancement Association.

We will of course deliver usual high quality training, events and conferences and the prestigious British Renewable Energy Awards 2026 - for which information has just been released, available [here](#)

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UK Green Gas Day 2025
The largest UK industry gathering focused on green gases, including hydrogen.

9th October 2025
National Motorcycle Museum
Coventry Road, Bickenhill, Solihull B92 0EJ

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ORGANICS 2025
ANNUAL CONFERENCE EXHIBITION | GALA DINNER

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REA Data Centre Coalition Launch

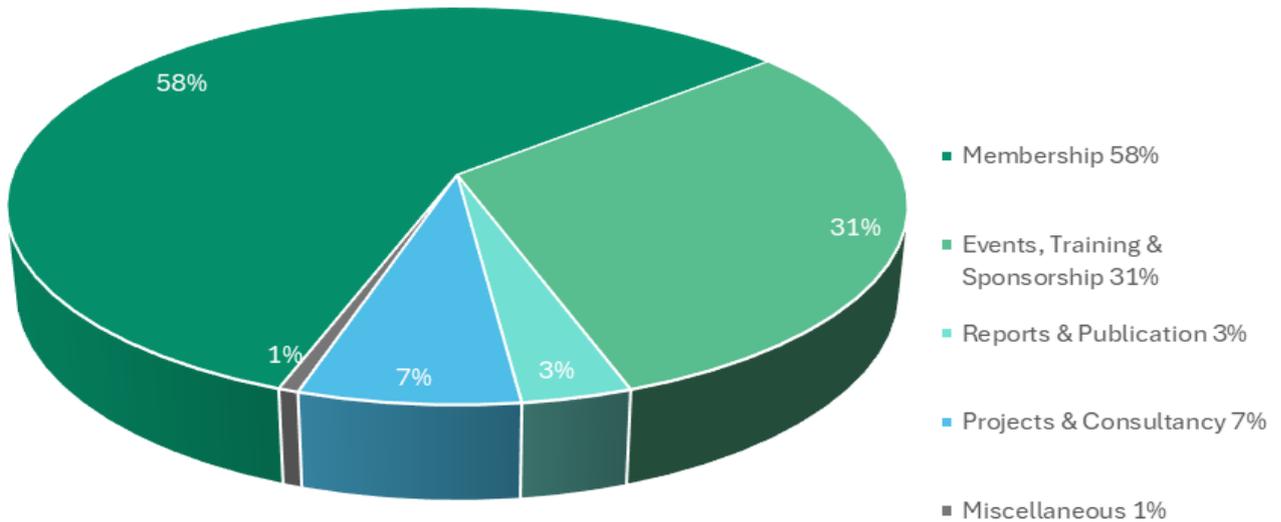
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Financial Overview

REA Revenue Streams (2024)



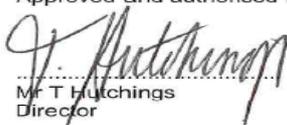
The Association for Renewable Energy and Clean Technology

(Registration number: 04241430)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	7,078	22,091
Investments	6	100	100
		<u>7,178</u>	<u>22,191</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	1,775,532	1,123,674
Cash at bank and in hand		1,261,830	1,712,051
		<u>3,037,362</u>	<u>2,835,725</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(2,668,884)</u>	<u>(2,211,134)</u>
Net current assets		<u>368,478</u>	<u>624,591</u>
Net assets		<u>375,656</u>	<u>646,782</u>
Reserves			
Retained earnings		<u>375,656</u>	<u>646,782</u>
Surplus		<u>375,656</u>	<u>646,782</u>

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. As permitted by section 444 (5A) of the Companies Act 2006, the directors have not delivered to the registrar a copy of the Income and Expenditure Account.

Approved and authorised by the Board on 31.7.25 and signed on its behalf by:


Mr T Hutchings
Director

Looking Ahead

As we move deeper into 2026, the REA's focus is on converting policy ambition into operational reality. Our work is guided by the **2026 Operational Plans** developed for each member forum, specifically designed to grow individual sectors and deliver high-value support for our members.

Defending the Net Zero Investment Case

A central, cross-cutting priority for the REA this year is leading the **defense of Net Zero and renewables investment**. Building on our significant media and parliamentary successes in 2025, we are deploying new, data-driven tools to protect the transition:

- **Counterfactual Modelling:** We have developed comprehensive in-house modelling to demonstrate the significant economic costs of *inaction*. By highlighting the "cost of not pressing on" with net zero policies, we provide members and policymakers with the evidence needed to counter short-termist narratives.
- **Mainstream Advocacy:** We will continue to be the voice of the sector across high-profile platforms like the **BBC, LBC, and GB News**, ensuring the public understands that renewables are the most cost-effective route to long-term energy security.

Shaping the Regulatory Landscape

In 2026, we are actively advocating for and shaping a massive suite of "set piece" policies and regulations. Our policy leads are working directly with government on:

- **Decarbonizing Heat & Gas:** Securing a successor for the **Green Gas Support Scheme (GGSS)**, pushing forward **BECCS** integration, and aligning with the government's **Warm Homes Plan**.
- **Power & Flexibility:** Refining the **Long-Duration Energy Storage (LDES)** framework, navigating **RO indexation** proposals, and tackling **grid access** bottlenecks.

- **Strategic Transmission:** Working with the National Energy System Operator (NESO), we will advocate for accelerated investment in regional distribution networks to unlock the 100GW+ pipeline currently awaiting connection.
- **The Circular Economy:** Implementing **Simpler Recycling** and the **Common Biomass Sustainability Framework**, alongside support for **landfill gas** and the rapid **Data Centre** build-out.
- **The Data-Energy Convergence:** Following the launch of our **Data Centre Coalition**, 2026 will see the REA at the heart of the digital-energy nexus. With **AI & Power Demand** we are working to establish a National Planning Framework that prioritizes "Clean Data," ensuring that the UK's digital growth is powered by co-located renewables and onsite flexibility rather than straining the national grid.
- **Heat Reuse:** A key priority will be mandating heat-recovery systems for new data infrastructure, turning "waste" heat into a resource for local district heating networks.
- **Transport & Infrastructure:** Shaping **planning and accessibility rules for EV charging** and establishing robust **cybersecurity** standards for a decentralized grid.

Get Involved: For more details on the 2026 Operational Plan for your specific forum, or to feed into our ongoing policy submissions, please contact your relevant REA policy lead.



Looking Ahead Cont'd

"Our mission for the year ahead is clear: we must ensure that the policy frameworks we have secured now translate into shovels in the ground, turbines in the sea, and batteries on the grid." - Trevor Hutchings, Chief Executive, REA

2026 Strategic Priorities at a Glance

Policy & Advocacy - Align our policy portfolio more closely with strategic priorities to maximise impact and influence.

Membership Growth - Expand membership through embedded account management and enhanced use of CRM to improve engagement and retention.

Mergers & Acquisitions - Successfully integrate the Geothermal Energy Advancement Association and progress further strategic opportunities.

Sector Advocacy - Champion the renewable sector in a changing political landscape, reinforcing the case for net zero through strong partnerships.

Commercial Growth - Appoint a Commercial Director and implement a Group-wide strategy to diversify income and strengthen financial resilience.

Governance - Strengthen REA Group governance and deepen alignment between REA and REAL.

Communications - Enhance advocacy and stakeholder engagement, including delivery of phase two of the website refresh.

People - Review reward and benefits to attract, retain and support high-performing talent.

Events, Training & Recognition

The REA remains the premier hub for industry knowledge and networking. We are proud to announce our 2026 schedule of flagship events:

- **Organics 2026:** Focusing on Circular Economy growth including composting, digestate and recycling readiness.
- **Green Gas Day 2026:** The UK's largest gathering for the green industry covering both biomethane and hydrogen sectors.
- **The British Renewable Energy Awards 2026:** (11th June, London W1) This year is a landmark celebration marking 25 years of the REA and the 21st edition of the awards. Information on categories and nominations has just been released - [available here](#).

Get Involved: The REA team are happy to work with you to understand your business requirements and develop a bespoke sponsor or supporter offer which will enable maximum brand exposure and help you fulfil your marketing and sales objectives.



Spotlight on Impact: A few of the REA members partnered with this year



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To Our Members: Thank you for your continued trust and leadership. Your innovation across the value chain—from bioenergy and solar to electric vehicles and long-duration storage—is the engine of the UK’s energy transition. Your insights remain our most valuable asset.

To Our Partners & Stakeholders: We extend our gratitude to the government officials, regulatory bodies, and fellow trade associations with whom we collaborate. Special thanks to our strategic partners for their rigorous data support and shared vision for a circular bioeconomy.

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Finally, we thank our member-led **Policy Boards and Forums**. Your technical guidance ensures that our advocacy is grounded in the practical realities of the green economy. Together, we are not just witnessing the transition—we are driving it.



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