

OFGEM ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PANEL (2011/12)



PANEL MEMBERS

Philip Cullum, Partner, Consumer and Demand Insight, Ofgem and Panel Chair

Philip joined Ofgem in September 2011. He leads the Ofgem consumer team which provides policy analysis, research and new thinking on consumer and demand-side issues. As part of this he is responsible for Ofgem's Consumer First programme. He has advised government on regulation in a range of sectors from financial services to airports.

Philip was previously Deputy Chief Executive of the statutory watchdog Consumer Focus, leading amongst other things its UK policy work, and has had senior roles in two other consumer organisations, the National Consumer Council. He has also been an Associate Partner at Accenture, responsible for creating new thinking on business trends and corporate strategy, and Executive Director at Opinion Leader Research. He is the 2011 winner of the Guardian Public/Ashridge Business School essay competition on public service innovation.

Colin Browne

Until August 2009, Colin was a Partner of the Maitland Consultancy - one of the UK's leading financial and corporate communications consultancies. He had a career in the Post Office/BT from 1969 to 1994, ending as Director, Corporate Relations responsible for BT's external and internal corporate communications. He was Director Corporate Affairs, a member of the Board of Management and of the Executive Committee at the BBC from 1994-2000. Colin is a non-executive director of the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) and a member of the Communications Consumer Panel.

Mary Fagan, Group Communications and Corporate Affairs Director, ITV

Mary joined ITV as Group Communications and Corporate Affairs Director in January 2011 taking responsibility for ITV's Corporate Communications and Programme Publicity teams as well as its Public Affairs operation. Mary joined ITV from the Royal Mail Group where she was Corporate and Government Affairs Director from December 2003. A respected Senior City and Industrial journalist with more than 20 years experience, Mary's previous roles included Deputy City Editor of the Sunday Telegraph, Industrial Correspondent for the Independent and City Reporter at the Evening Standard.

Teresa Perchard, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Citizens Advice Bureau.

Teresa Perchard has been a Citizens Advice Director since 2000, leads the development of policy on a wide range of social and consumer policy issues, including debt and financial exclusion and consumer protection. Prior to joining Citizens Advice Teresa has had over 12 years experience of developing and implementing policy on regulation, consumer protection and consumer representation through posts she has held at the Office of the Rail Regulator, the Office of Water Services and the National Consumer Council.

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Malcolm Rigg, Director, Policy Studies Institute.

Malcolm joined PSI as Director in October 2004. He was previously Managing Director of the British Market Research Bureau (BMRB). Before joining BMRB, he was Director of Research at COI Communications and has also been Head of Public Interest Research at Consumers' Association (now Which?). Earlier in his career he was a Senior Research Fellow at PSI. He is a Trustee of the participation organization, Involve.

Andrew Whyte, Director of Communications, New Ways of Working at Defra

Andrew has held his current role since November 2011, having previously been director of communications at Defra then the Foreign Office. He was Executive Director, Advocacy and Communications at the Arts Council England in 2006-9 and Head of Corporate and Public Relations for the BBC in 1998-2005. Previous roles include Deputy Director of Corporate Affairs at News International and External Affairs Adviser at Shell International. Andrew is a member of the board of the housing charity Thames Reach.
