BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGIES

All-Party Parliamentary Group

Minutes from the Blockchain Technologies All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) Inaugural Meeting
Date: Wednesday 13th September 5-6pm

In attendance:
- Natalie Elphicke MP
- Lord Goddard of Stockport
- Paul Howell MP
- Liz Twist MP
- James Sunderland MP

Apologies:
- Lord McNicol of West Kilbride
- Lord Vaizey of Didcot
- Alun Cairns MP
- Lord Lucas
- Lisa Cameron MP
- Jo Gideon MP

1. Introduction
   a. Natalie Elphicke MP welcomed attendees to the inaugural meeting.
   b. Natalie Elphicke MP provided an overview of the UK blockchain industry and the proposed focus of the new APPG in educating and upskilling MPs and Lords on the potential opportunities for the UK from the growth in blockchain technologies.
   c. Natalie Elphicke MP added that it was important that Government, regulators, Parliament and the blockchain sector were able to come together to discuss key issues and consider any need for future regulation.

2. Election of officers
   a. It was moved that Natalie Elphicke MP would serve as Chair of the APPG. All voted in favour.
   b. It was moved that the below parliamentarians be elected as officers of the APPG. All voted in favour.

Name	Party	Position
Natalie Elphicke MP	Conservative	Chair
Lord Goddard of Stockport	Lib Dem	Vice Chair
Lord McNicol of West Kilbride	Labour	Vice Chair
Lord Vaizey of Didcot	Conservative	Officer

Alun Cairns MP	Conservative	Officer
Lord Lucas	Conservative	Member
Lisa Cameron MP	SNP	Member
Jo Gideon MP	Conservative	Member

3. Name for APPG:
   a. It was agreed that the name of the group would be the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for Blockchain Technologies.

4. Secretariat
   a. It was agreed that the British Blockchain Association would support the work of the group acting as the secretariat for the APPG.

5. Programme of Work
   a. The group agreed that a key focus for the group in Parliament would be increasing education and awareness of the potential posed by the growth of blockchain technologies and would explore its potential use by industry, the public sector, and overseas jurisdictions.

6. Statement of Purpose
   a. The group agreed that they will explore the potential of this powerful emerging technology for UK businesses, the public sector and the wider UK economy. The group will engage industry including global firms, alongside other industry experts and leading academics. The group proposes to engage with international Governments and bodies and others.

7. No other business took place and the meeting concluded after 30 minutes.