Welcome

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Active Engagement



Engagement Approach

- 1. Early, deliberative engagement to discuss open questions with our stakeholders
- 2. To better understand and incorporate stakeholders' perspectives and priorities
- 3. To provide challenge and insight to our decision making and future plans

Consultative roundtables

We are listening to your views, challenges and priorities to help us refine our DSO plan and your feedback will be reflected in our revised plan published later this year and our resulting actions.





Unlocking the energy transition for our customers

Patrick Erwin – *Policy and Markets Director*







Agenda

Outline of the day:	Timings:
Our DSO vision and emerging themes	10.15 – 10.45am
BREAK	10.45 – 11.00am
Customer and commercial roundtable discussions: Flexibility services: building our expertise A socially inclusive transition Local energy as a catalyst for energy system change Innovation driving customer benefit	11.00 – 11.45am
Keynote speaker – Rt Hon Charles Hendry: Optimising the smart energy transition	11.45 – 12.15pm
LUNCH	12.15 – 1.00pm
<i>Technology, data and systems roundtable discussions:</i> Network flexibility through new technology and our customers New forecasting capability for future investment Supporting local energy markets through data	1.00 – 1.45pm
Expert Panel: An open question and answer session	1.45 – 2.45pm
Summary and next steps	2.45 – 3.00pm





Unlocking the energy transition for our customers

Discuss with us:



The transition to a low carbon, decentralised and much more active network



Delivering an energy network that is prepared for the realities of a changing climate



Reshaping our network, enabled by new technology, so that it is more responsive to the needs and views of our customers





Our DSO vision and emerging themes

Jim Cardwell – Head of Policy Development Anne-Claire Leydier – Sustainability Manager







An evolving world







What DSO means for our customers

DNO - Today







What DSO means for our customers







Exploring the future: our innovation portfolio













Scenario based modelling informing our network needs

Gross peak demand projections







Investment in our Network

2015-2023	
Asset Replacement/Upgrades	£1,100m
Replacement of Failed Assets	£719m
Diversions	£43m
Legal, Environment & Safety	£152m
Network Reinforcement	£189m
Low Carbon Driven Reinforcement	£44m
Flood Defences	£48m
Operational IT	£16m
Quality of Supply (inc. Automation)	£42m
Smart Grid Enabling Technology	£115m
Other Operational Capex	£18m
Non-Operational Capex	£141m
Total Capex	£2,650m

Capital Expenditure



15% of our capital program is to create enhanced smarter functionally to support the energy transition





Implementing first phase of customer flexibility







2019-2023

Capacity required for flexibility up to 14 sites, 16MW



Capacity required for up to *ca.* 40MW



Customer flexibility – a significant change built on trust

- ✓ Blend of RIIO regulation and incentives
- Track record introducing positive changes
- Company culture promoting service ethos
- Clear definition of roles within our teams
- **Keporting and visibility of our actions**







The largest coordinated change to our network assets since the 1970s

Asset area	Asset investment	Spend(£)
Voltage control and monitoring	 Replacement of 1,356 transformer automatic voltage control relays Installation of control equipment at 47 HV voltage regulators Functionality for ANM & DSO services for improved visibility & alternative settings 	£34m
Primary substation RTUs	 Upgrade or replacement of 850 RTUs Platform for local substation control & IP capable 	£17.6m
Telecoms (secondary)	 Replacement of existing UHF radio system, operating over 9,500 sites Providing communications for grid edge control & monitoring 	£13.8m
Telecoms (primary)	IP based network replacement providing more bandwidth and resilience across 850 sites	£9.9m
Control and OT systems	 Rollout of standard ANM systems, first one at Driffield in 2019 with forecast of two per year after that New databases for monitoring data and platform for data analytics 	£4.3m
Distribution monitoring	 Harvesting of data from 2,000 pole mounted reclosers Retrofitting of LV board monitors to 1,300 GM distribution subs 	£3.2m

£83m







SMARTGRID TIMELINE



Primary (town) networks

1960s	✓ Locally managed circuit breakers	\checkmark Dumb, 'fit and forget' passive assets
1970s	✓ Post-fault circuit re-closing	
1980s	 ✓ Remote operation of circuit breakers ✓ Monitoring one-way power flow ✓ Low bandwidth communications 	
1990s	\checkmark Equipment rationalisation driven by electronics	✓ Temporary LV fault management devices
2000s	\checkmark Remote reconfiguration post-fault	\checkmark Low bandwidth HV remote control
2015 - 2023 (ED1)	 ✓ Self-healing networks ✓ Real-time capacity management ✓ Two-way power flow monitoring 	 ✓ Time of use demand data ✓ Remote monitoring of LV circuit power flow ✓ Automated control of voltage
	 ✓ Advanced substation control devices ✓ Wideband flexible communications (IP-based) 	 ✓ Fault prediction and smart "fuses" ✓ Wideband communications





Future services: our guiding principles

1. Led by our customers' needs

2. Promotes sustainability by being efficient, fair and inclusive, and better for the environment

3. Requires a right-sized regulated business supporting competitive markets for flexibility

4. Changes to duties that optimise the system as the volume of distributed energy resources increases





Our emerging thinking: potential pathways to 2030

	Current	Short term (2019/20)	Medium term (2020-23)	Beyond ED1 – Long term (2024–30)
	Trials and local initiatives		Standard	sation of processes across the industry
Customer and Commercial Development		Wider roll out of ANM schemes	Smart meter benefits/DSO tariffs & products	Operating as regional DSO
	Flexible connections offlering	Refined vulnerability approach		DSO Commercial Operations becoming
	Flexibility services: Building our competency	Enhanced methodology for calculation of network charges		core business capability
	Understanding customer		Network charges: seeking fair and efficient charges for a changed system	
ē a	behaviour and technologies	Flexibility services: markets design		
asto		Film itsility services stimulating the market	Flexibility services: Utilize, integrate and converge	
σ	Changes to licence, industry codes, le	gislation		
	Coversion of constrained We	Wider roll out of regional planning	Network flexibility solutions Active System Management	-
	generation connections	in collaboration with the ESD		Management
	Collaboration with ESO	Trialing forecasting options		Provision of flexible
	Scenario-based demand forecasting	Technology trials to support resilience	Network visibility, tracking & optioneering	services to ESO and other DSOs
Technical Development		Improve visibility on our investment decisions	Smart grid enablers deployed	Whole system planning
	Revision of technical standards, comp	my policy and maining		
Deta and Systems Development	Data and systems assessment		Data strategy in place	
	Investment in digitalisation	Investment in I7 and OT enablers	Growing our data analytics abilities and functions	
s au	Cyber security: stepping up IT Upgrading our network design	Upgrading our network design tools		Estansive use of data analytics
밑을	security defences for the long term	Smart meter data integration	Upprading of our network management system	
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- *Customer and commercial development* developing deep and liquid flexibility markets through co-ordinated actions with customers and the sector
- *Technical development* cost effective deployment of well-targeted and well-timed investment smart grids
- **Data and systems development** embracing the opportunities to revolutionise our service delivery





Engagement objectives







Engagement process



Customer and Commercial Roundtables

Discuss with us:

7 Flexibility services: building our expertise

Z A socially inclusive transition

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Optimising the smart energy transition

Rt Hon Charles Hendry













Technology, Data and Systems Roundtables

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Network flexibility through new technology and our customers New forecasting capability for future investment

Supporting local energy markets through data





Expert Panel Q&A

- Jim Cardwell, Head of Policy Development
- Mark Drye, Director of Asset Management
- Quentin Scrimshire, Kiwi Power
- Graham Ault, Smarter Grid Solutions
- Vicky Edmonds, Office for Low Emission Vehicles
- Mark Nicholson, Head of Smart Grid Implementation
- Issy Middleton, Smart Metering Programme Manager
- Anne-Claire Leydier, Sustainability Manager







Summary and next steps

Patrick Erwin – Policy and Markets Director







Engagement process





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