

UKPN – SmartCAR

Electric Vehicle Energy Taskforce Stakeholder Engagement Seminar



Purpose

- About UK Power Networks
- SmartCAR project objectives
- Project research approach
- Design Principles
- Hierarchy of smart charging mechanisms- Our position
- Next Steps



About UK Power Networks

Measure	Data	% of industry
Plug-In vehicles connected	55k	32%
Population served	c.20m	30%
New metered connections per annum	46,000	32%
Distributed generation connected	9.1GW	31%
Energy distributed	84.8TWh	28%
Peak demand	16GW	N/A
Number of substations	147,000	-

Three distribution networks:

- London
- East of England
- South East of England



SmartCAR Objectives

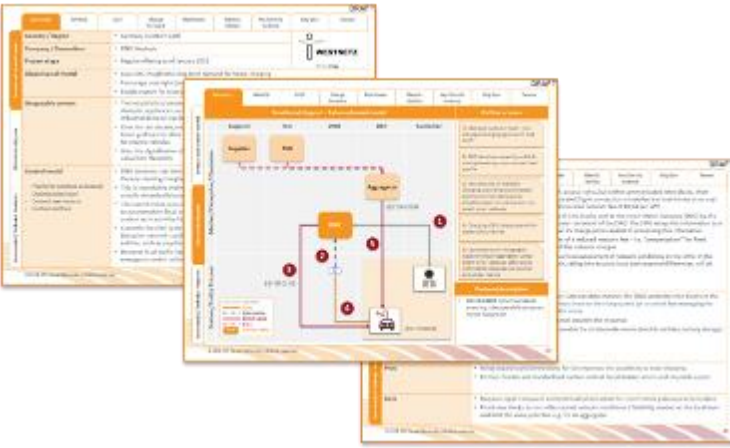
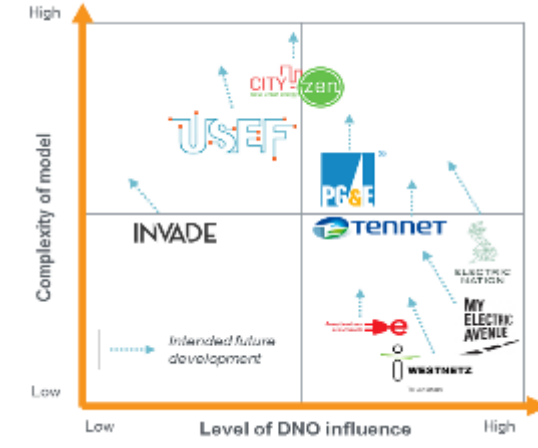
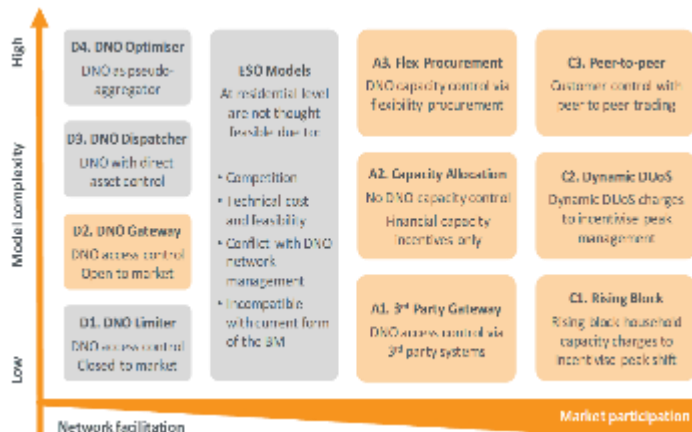
- 1) **Identify** the range of smart charging models which could be used (building on international experience);
- 2) Establish and work with a key **stakeholder group** to identify the most relevant EV charging models for the UK;
- 3) Determine **our strategy** for enabling smart charging;
- 4) Define the **core systems architecture** required to support the range of most relevant EV charging models;
- 5) Identify the costs and benefits associated with smart charging to determine the **value of EV flexibility**; and
- 6) Develop a **roadmap** that describes how to deliver the core architecture.

Stakeholder Group



SmartCAR – Research Approach

An overview of initial research into strategic approaches to smart charging

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SmartCAR – Design Principles

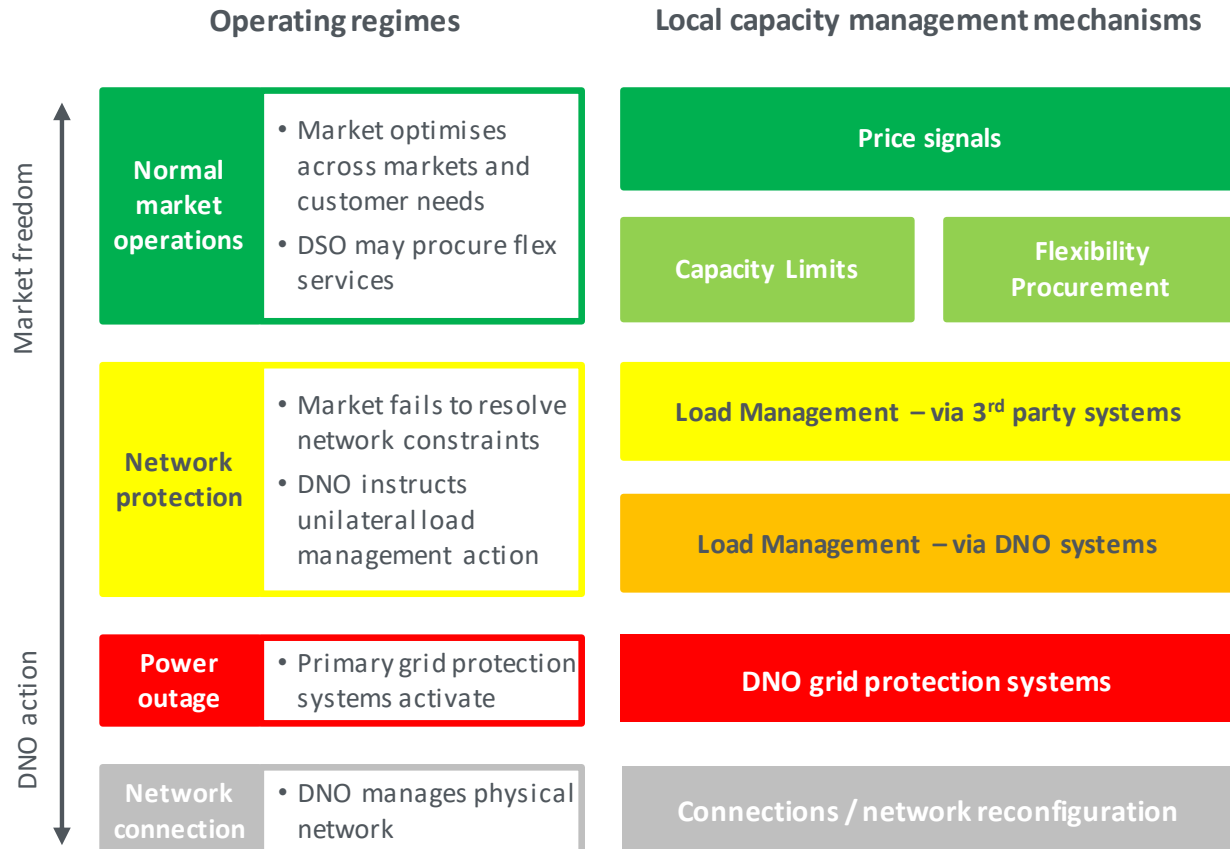
A suitable approach to residential smart charging in the UK should:

1. Deliver consumer requirements in terms of access to mobility, value for money and choice
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Hierarchy of smart charging mechanisms

Our research points to a hierarchy of smart charging mechanisms, with different approaches likely to be more suitable for different areas of the network and customer types



Broad conclusions

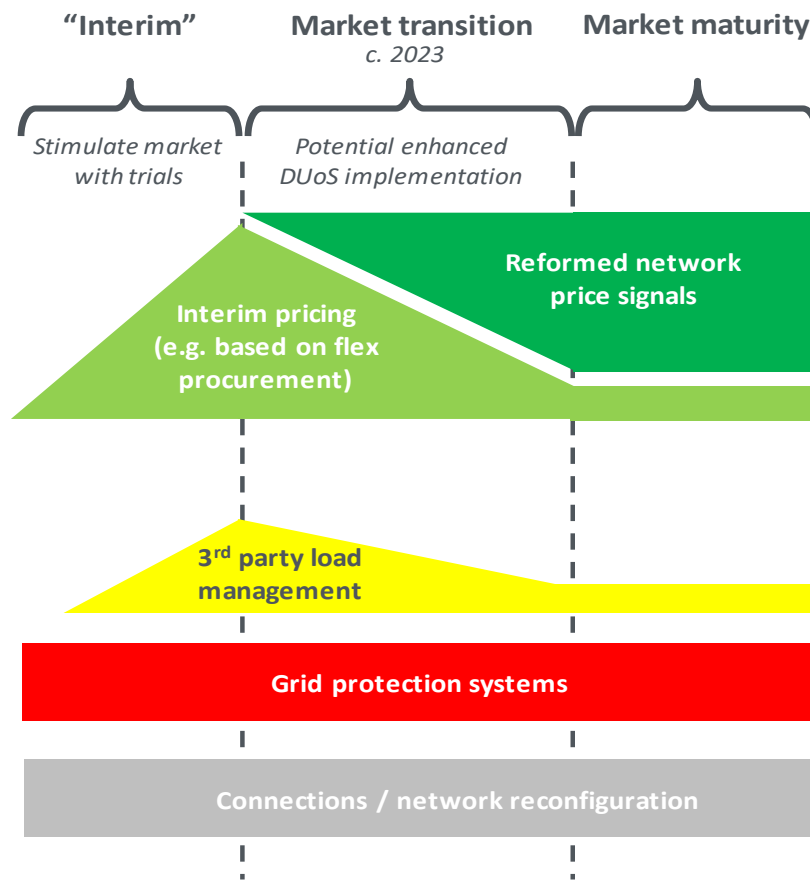
- Across the spectrum of models we identified a hierarchy of mechanisms – starting with maximum market freedom, moving down through increasing DNO facilitation
- We have developed high-level process and systems architecture designs to support each of these mechanisms
- Increasing DNO facilitation may be appropriate:
 - If the market cannot fully manage constraints, or
 - In high-risk areas of the network
- Different mechanisms seem more appropriate for different customer types (e.g. large fleet vs. residential)
- The overall approach may utilise various elements and may evolve over time

Other networks are running projects to develop and test DNO load management solutions; we will focus on market-based solutions in which we enable 3rd parties to manage customer EV loads via price signals.

Smart charging – Our position

We will support maximum market freedom, pursuing a market based “interim pricing solution” before resorting to any “DNO unilateral load management” option

Potential market evolution over time



- We will promote transparency of customer and network needs**
 - Publishing emerging constraint data regularly and at a granular level
- We will maximise capacity through network reconfiguration**
- We will facilitate the market to manage emerging constraints, through:**
 - Advocating a regulatory framework that incentivises the facilitation of EV uptake, and encourages market-based solutions for smart charging
 - Providing a market for flexibility procurement
 - Supporting market participants in the development of smart charging propositions based on price signals:
 - Supporting Ofgem in charging and access reforms for the long term solution
 - In the interim, pursuing an interim pricing approach to stimulate the market, via flexibility procurement and broader trials
- Where necessary, utilise 3rd parties for load-management, on an opt-in basis, compensated, and enacted via 3rd party infrastructure**
- Where economic to do so, we will reinforce the network**

Smart Charging – Next steps

Having defined our smart charging strategy, and enabling architecture, we will now learn through doing-by mobilising trials to develop live solutions and prove market-based approaches

Trials objectives

- Stimulate the development of market-led smart charging solutions, working with market participants to develop, enable and trial customer propositions
- Understand the market response to published DNO constraints
- Understand the customer response to these propositions, and the network impacts in a controlled environment
- Develop and test processes, systems components and commercial arrangements to enable these propositions
- Develop a scalable solution that can be expanded to a large volume of customers through the 2020s
- Inform Ofgem's longer-term access and network charging reform



Smart Charging trials Plan



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