



SMART STREET

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Agenda



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Bringing energy to your door

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Introduction



Technology



Why Smart Street?



£8 billion of network assets



4.9 million



2.4 million



25 terawatt
hours

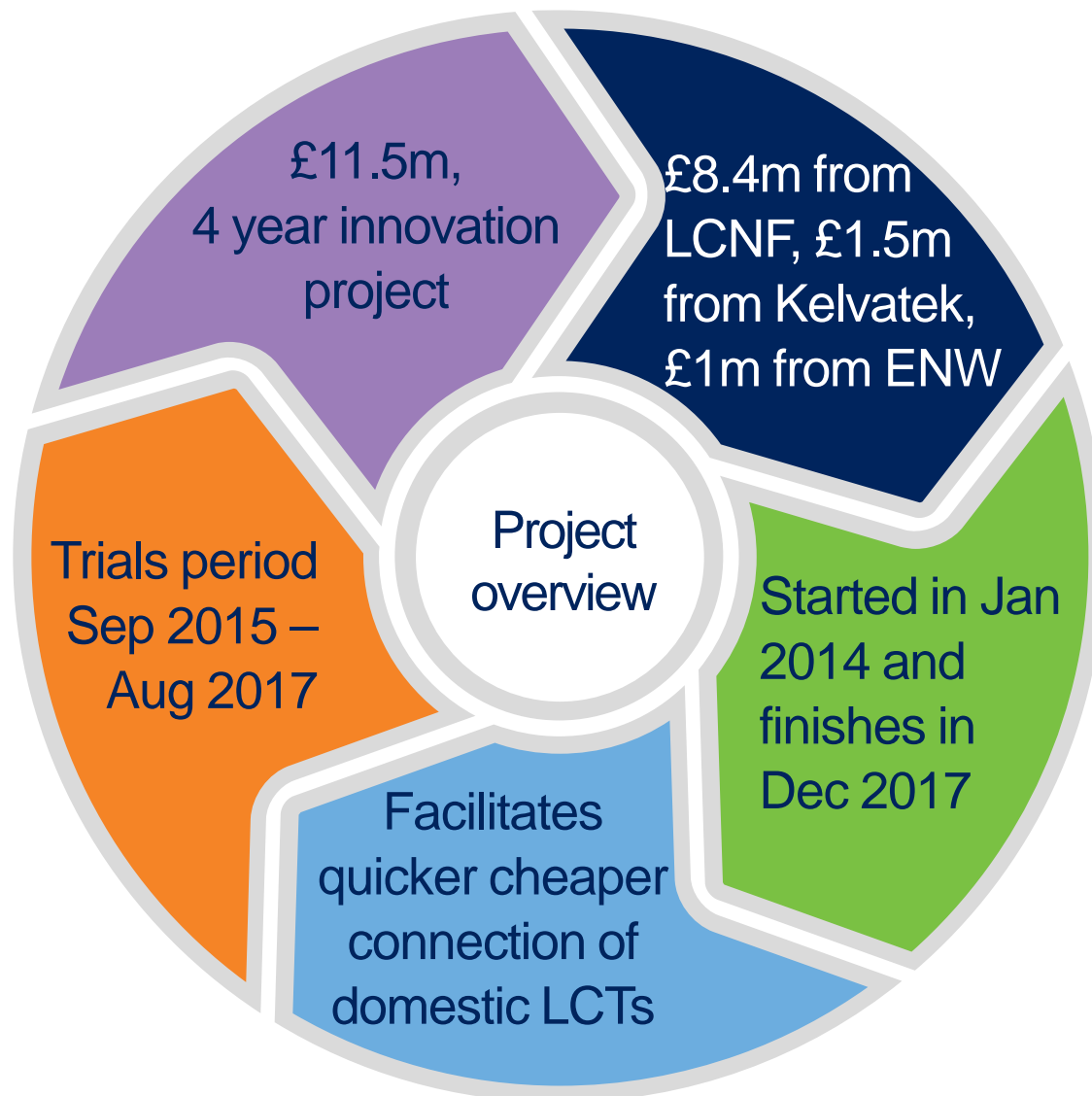


Smart Street project overview



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Project partners



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KELVATEK

SIEMENS


TyndallManchester
Climate Change Research

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enterprise with energy

MANCHESTER
1824
The University of Manchester

 Queen's University
Belfast

Impact
Research

Smart Street trial areas



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6 primary substations
11 HV circuits



38 distribution substations



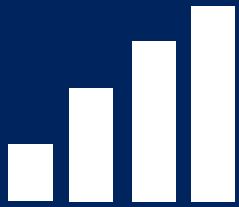
163 LV circuits



Around 62,000 customers



Two years
One week on
One week off



One year's worth of
data



To be designed to
avoid placebo affect



Five trial regimes to
test full effects

Five trial techniques

LV voltage control

LV network management
and interconnection

HV voltage control

HV network management
and interconnection

Network configuration
and voltage optimisation

LV capacitors in street furniture



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80 LV capacitors



Tried and tested
high spec



One on each
closed ring



HV capacitors



4 ground mounted
HV capacitors

Housed in containers
but not on street



4 pole mounted
HV capacitors

Installed similar to pole
mounted transformers

Weezap & Lynx



489 Weezaps

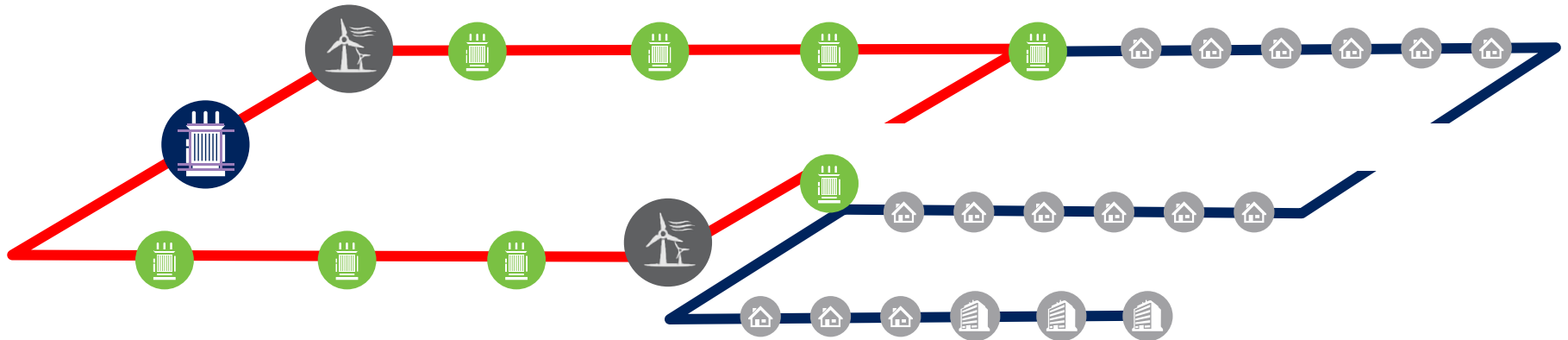
Fitted across 163 LV
Circuits



240 LYNX

Installed in 80 LV link
boxes

Existing radial network



Network limitations

Diversity between feeders is untapped

Fuses unable to cope with cold load pick up

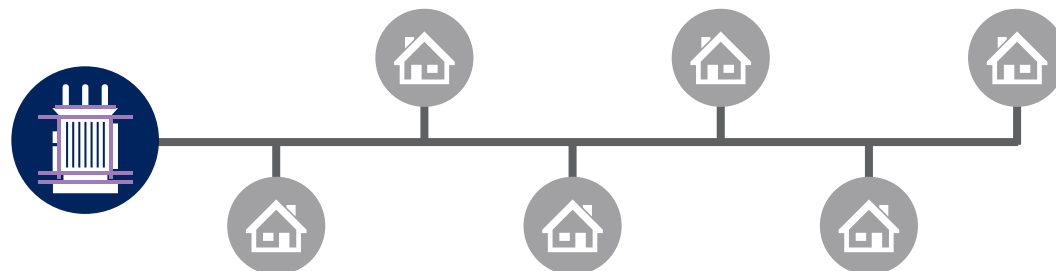
Customer impact

Customers' needs invisible to the network

Demand and generation levels limited by passive voltage control systems

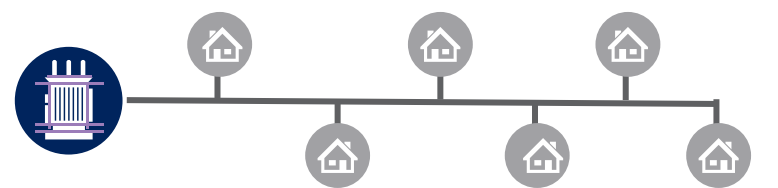
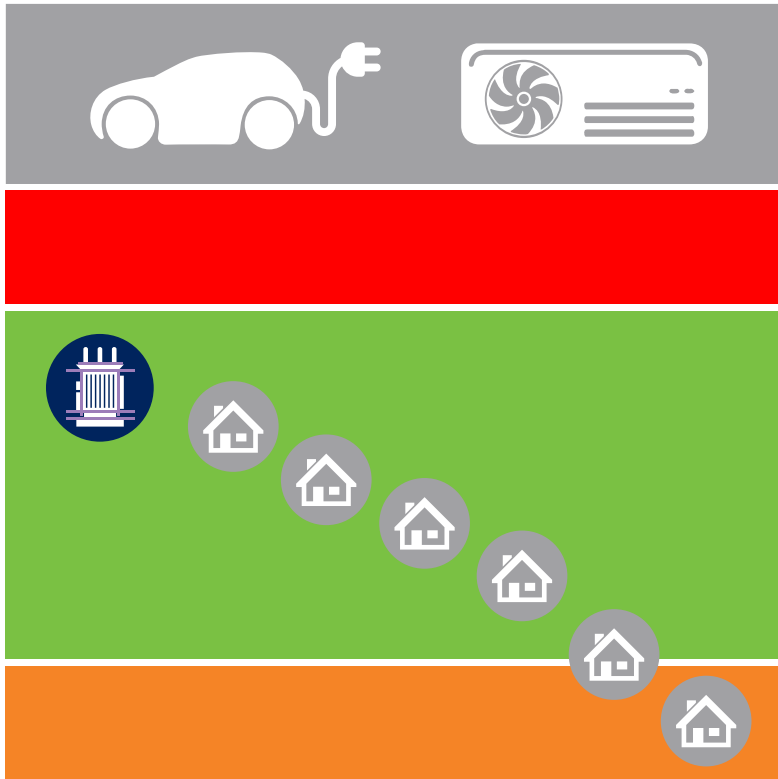
Reliability driven by fix on fail

Voltage profile

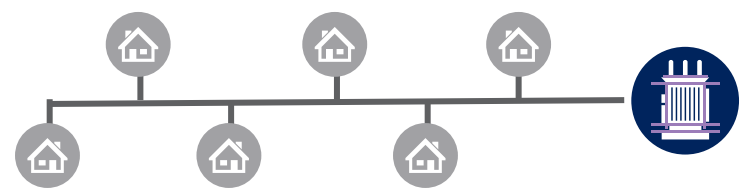
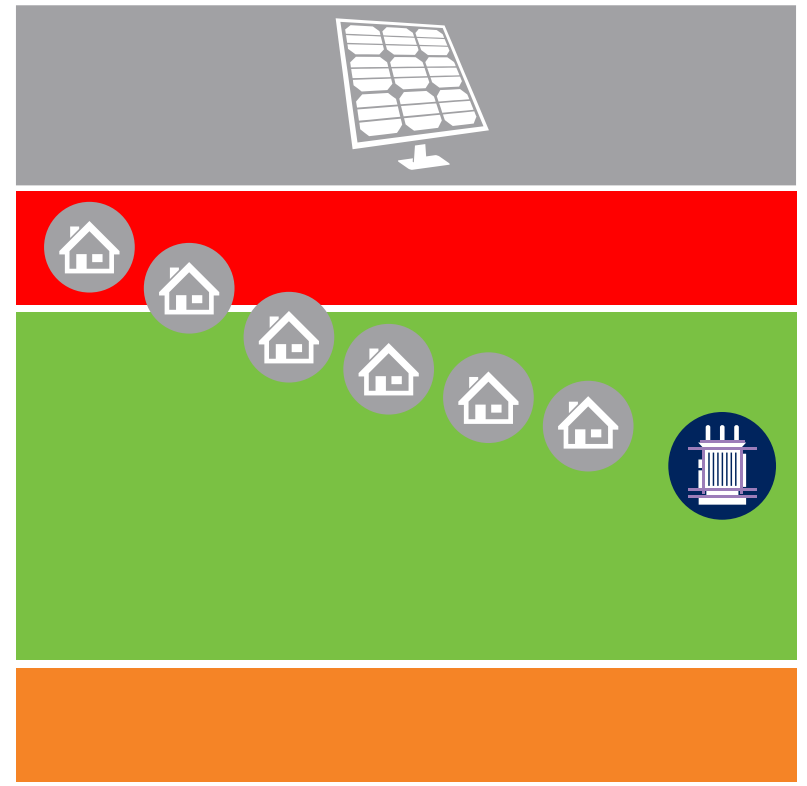


Historic networks have no active voltage regulation

Problem - LCTs create network issues

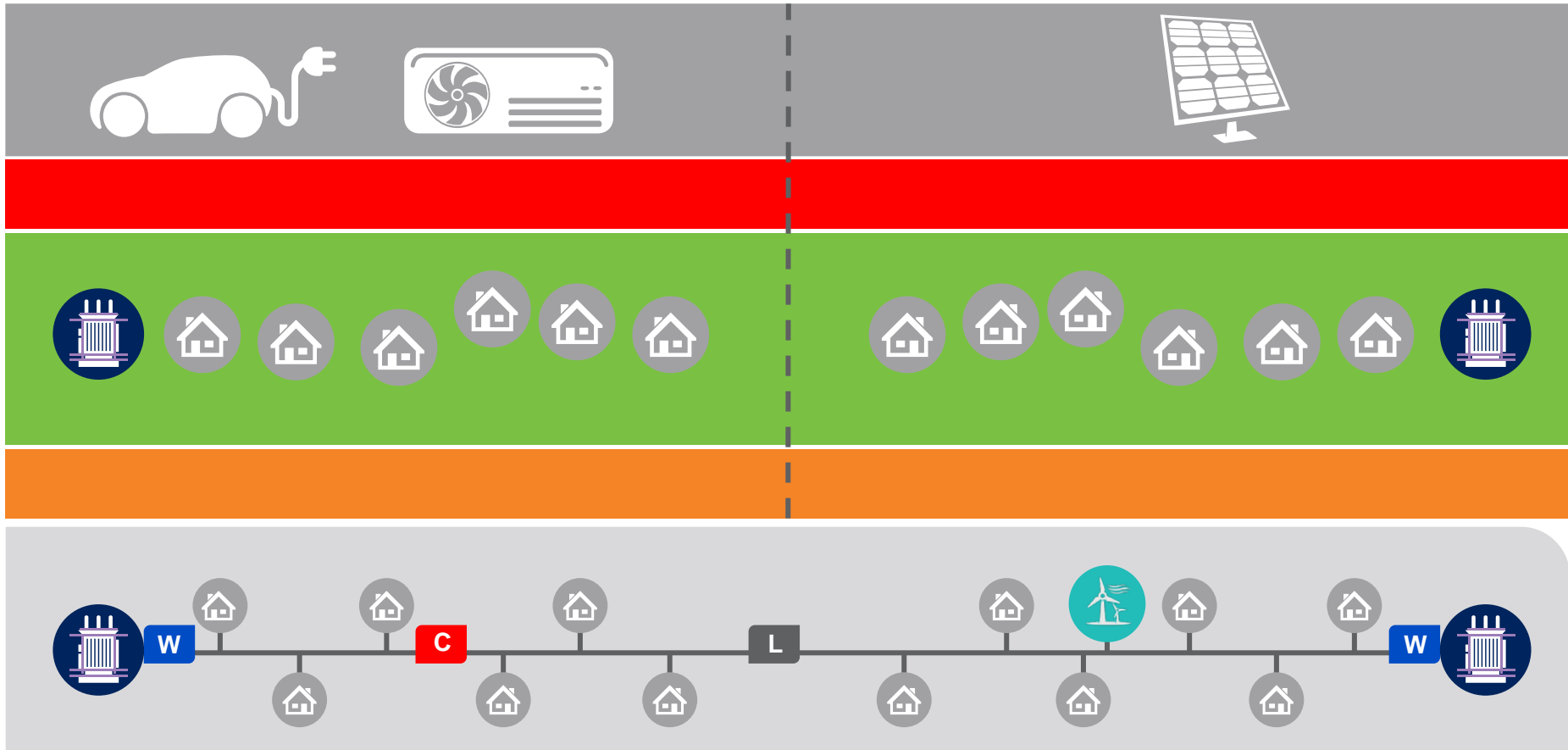


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Drift range
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LCTs rapidly surpass voltage and thermal network capacity

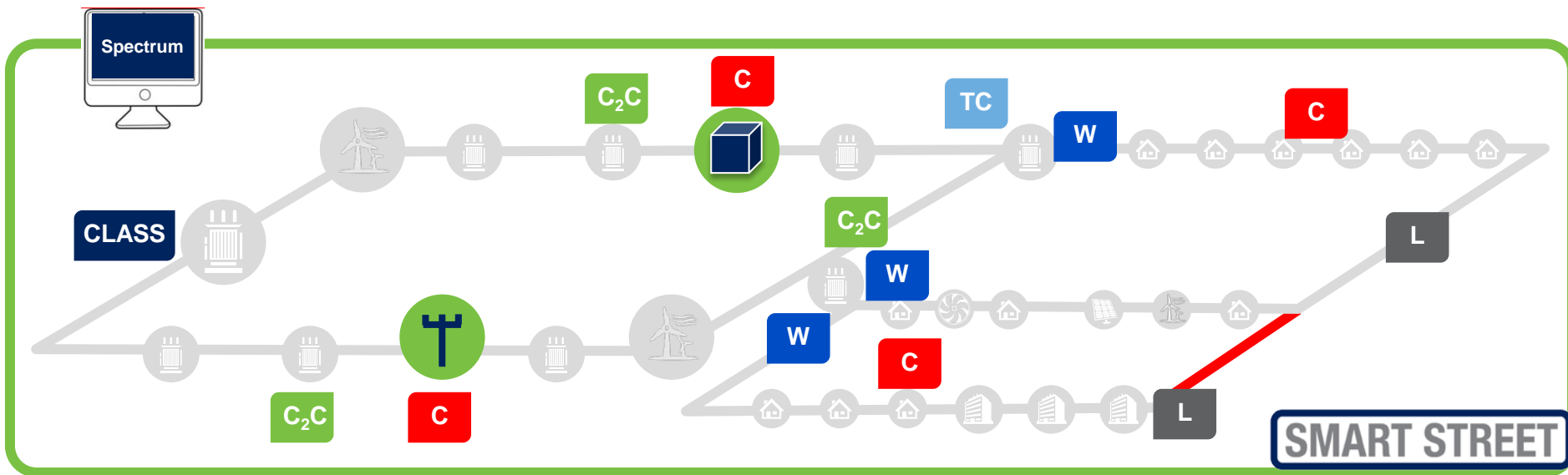
Smart Street – the first intervention



Low cost • Quick fit • Minimal disruption • Low carbon • Low loss • Invisible to customers

Voltage stabilised across the load range • Power flows optimised

Network reliability improvement



- C₂C** Capacity to Customers
- C** Capacitor
- W** WEEZAP
- L** LYNX
- TC** On-load tap changer

Builds on C₂C and CLASS • Storage compatible • Transferable solutions

Smart Street benefits



Now we can stabilise voltage
We can set the voltage level lower
This will lead to:


Reduced demand

Reduced customer energy consumption

Maximised DG output



How much could customers save?

| |  | GB |
|--|---|---------------------|
| Reinforcement savings via DUoS | £330 over 25 years | £8.6b over 25 years |
| Reduced energy consumption, 2013 (from CVR ≈ 3 - 7%) | £15 - £30 pa | £390 - £780m pa |
| Maximise DG output (from maximising Feed In Tariff income) | £70 pa | £20m pa |

Efficient network solutions ● Energy savings ● Carbon benefits

Smart Street summary



- Faster LCT adoption
- Less embedded carbon
- Re-usable technology
- Optimise energy and losses



Carbon
Footprint



Low Risk

- First example of CVR
- First example of centrally controlled LV network
- Range of intervention solutions

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Challenge

Benefit

- Combine into one end-to-end system
- Network optimisation



- Lower energy bills
- More reliable supply
- Reinforcement savings



QUESTIONS ANSWERS &



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