DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM OPERATOR

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Overview of UKPN

& DSO Strategy



How An overview of UK Power Networks

Scope

Regulated:

- We own and maintain electricity network infrastructure across London, the South East and East of England and make sure power flows reliably, safely, and securely.
- We are the UK's biggest electricity distributor by customer numbers delivering power to 8.5 million homes and businesses
- 3 licenced regions LPN, EPN & SPN

Unregulated:

• We own, develop and maintain private energy networks and deliver major national power infrastructure projects across the UK.



Key metrics		
Measure	Data	% of industry
End customers	8.5m	28%
Population served	c.20m	29%
Distributed generation connected	10GW	30%
Connected Electric Vehicles	541,000	36%
RIIO-ED2 totex allowance (2020/21 prices)	£5,032m	23%
Energy distributed	71.5TWh	28%
Peak demand	14GW	N/A
No. of DNO employees (FTE)	5,819	N/A
Total length of network	190,015km	N/A
Area served	29,250km ²	N/A

Our Vision

UK Power Networks' vision is to be:

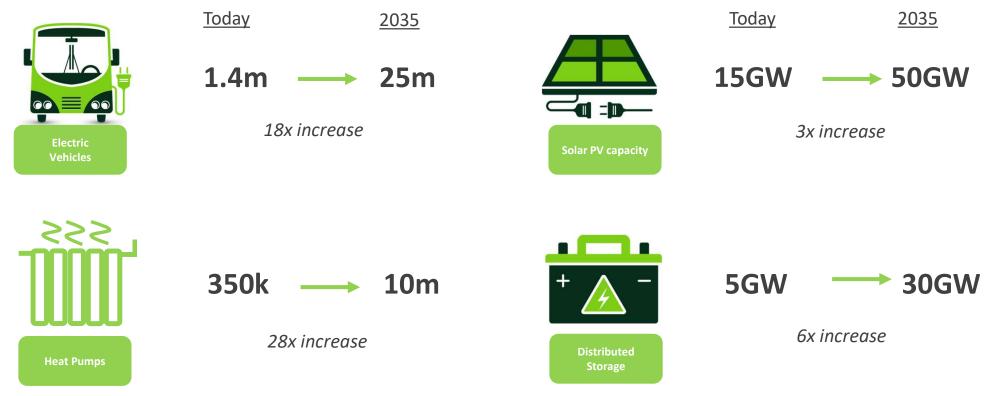


To be consistently the best-performing Distribution Network and Distribution System Operator (DSO) in the UK within an agreed set of values

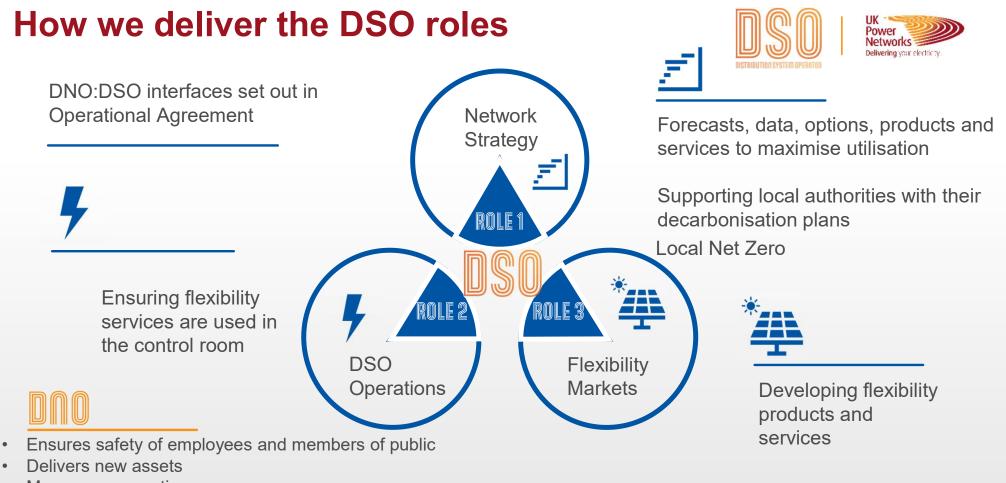


Electricity networks will need to cater for a doubling of demand by 2035 in GB

The below figures are based on the latest National Grid Future Energy Scenarios publication for Great Britain.UKPN's regions represent about a third of the totals.



Given the scale of distribution networks, our challenge is to understand where, when and how much capacity is required to facilitate this demand to avoid misdirected or wasteful investment and unnecessary costs for customers



- Manages connections
- Deliver excellent customer service
- · Improves reliability and resilience

Transmission and Distribution system operation



DSO ESO **Transmission level** system operation Energy balancing At Distribution level · Constraint mgt focusses on energy Reserve mgt · Facilitating access to the picture is more Voltage control balance with much **ESO** Balancing Frequency mgt dynamic with a SO-SO coordination Services markets higher network Inertia Data provision focus on network redundancy and Black Start • constraints lower volumes of network events

The dynamic nature and high volume of distribution networks requires fast action and clear accountabilities to restore customers

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