

# Regional Working Group meeting with UK Power Networks



UK Power Networks  
**Customer  
Engagement  
Group**

## Time and date

12.00am – 2.00pm, Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

## Attendees

### ReWG

Ann Bishop  
Sarah Chambers  
Nigel Cornwall  
Ashleye Gunn  
John Hargreaves  
Ralista Hiteva  
Andrew Mackintosh  
Peter Atherton  
Dan Byles  
Peter Vicary-Smith  
Peter Bennell

### UK Power Networks

James Hope  
Colin Nicholl  
Luke Hughes  
Neil Madgwick  
Max Taylor  
Ross Thompson  
Sam Bould (KPMG)

## Agenda

12.00am	Introduction
12.05am	Regional Approaches
1.20pm	Overview of Local Authority Framework
12.50pm	AOB

## Meeting summary

UKPN and the ReWG met to discuss:

- (i) The future role and scope of the regional CEG group;
- (ii) The approach to the business plan documentation and which areas would have regional factors and perspectives;
- (iii) The group discussed the revised DFES findings and how these had aligned to the 10 Point Plan outlined by government; and
- (iv) UKPN outlined the framework they were developing to support local authorities in their local level decarbonisation planning

## Discussion

Key discussion and steer focused on:

- (i) The group discussed regional customer and stakeholder engagement, and their use within the business plan;
- (ii) The group provided steer on how to engage with and prompt low ambition Local Authorities and how to support them in preparation for decarbonisation plans;
- (iii) The group discussed the strength in the DFES forecasting which is key to supporting justification for future load growth and investment, with the use of mechanistic areas of the price control for local level investments to remain agile given uncertainty; and
- (iv) The group discussed energy efficiency, with this being a key approach to supporting decarbonisation with UKPN undertaking research in these areas.

## **Actions and next steps**

**Action** – UKPN to circulate guidance around what Ofgem are expecting for ED2 scenario planning.