

## Newsletter

Spring/Summer 2020

### Latest News


#### Flexibility: The Smart Way Forward


For the first time flexibility has been received from domestic customers in Lincolnshire whose supplier is OVO, using its intelligent energy platform Kaluza to manage a portfolio of sonnen batteries installed in homes.

Kaluza discharged batteries for over an hour in response to automated signals from WPD's control centre, reducing demand on the network during the evening peak. Having received domestic flexibility for the first time, the Innovation team is looking at how to extend customers participation through its Future Flex Project. For more information [click here](#).

### Key Dates

WPD has announced its second 2020 procurement cycle, key dates are;

 **29 Jun 2020**  
flex locations as CMZ isn't defined.

 **3 Aug 2020**  
ITT issued to all registered and qualified parties.

 **11 Sep 2020**  
ITT deadline.

 **5 Oct 2020**  
Procurement results.

any parties interested in participation in this round should [register their interest here](#).

### Flexible Power Procurement Update

following the completion of our 2020 cycle 1 procurement round we have awarded flexibility contracts totalling **94.8MWhs**. This takes our total contracted flexibility to **217MWhs**.

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### Winter Season Performance

#### Flexibility Successfully Dispatched

**523**<sup>MWh</sup>

Over the winter period we dispatched **523MWh** of flex through the Secure and Dynamic products.

**92%**

On average Flex Providers delivered **92%** reliability.

### ENA Open Networks Project

Flexibility providers will soon benefit from a standardised contract for the procurement of their services, offered by all of Great Britain's Distribution Network Operators (DNOs).

The contract has been drafted with input from all of Britain's DNOs and ESOs, providing a consistent agreement across the country for those wishing to provide vital flexibility services to networks.

The release of this contract will boost market confidence and participation in local markets for flexibility by building a level playing field, with liabilities and indemnities capped at a contract value.

To view the document [click here](#).

### Feedback

#### Community workshops provide valuable feedback

In early Spring, four workshops were held with local community group representatives from across our network area.

We asked what the role of communities are in smart energy, how more local groups can access flexibility services and what else is needed to encourage wider participation. Feedback from the event showed that these groups would like to see DNOs focus more on the environmental benefits that can be gained from operation flexibility on their networks.

We'll include this feedback in our ongoing strategy and continue to work with industry and regulatory bodies to improve our flex offering.