Capacity to Customers (C₂C)

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Electricity North West

- Overview of Capacity to Customers (C₂C)
- Commercial proposition development
- Questions and answers



We're not a big multinational we serve only the North West

We distribute electricity to approximately 5 million people at 2.4 million domestic and Industrial locations consuming 25 terawatt hours of electricity annually

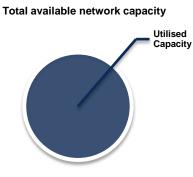
- £9bn of Network Assets
 - 58 000km of cable
 - 15 grid supply points
 - 96 bulk supply substations
 - 363 primary substations
 - 34 000 transforming points



Innovatively releasing Capacity to Customers



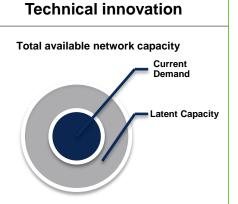
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C₂C challenge, outputs & benefits



Insufficient network capacity to satisfy growing demand

- High costs to customers
- Significant environmental and social effects

Adaptive network control functionality

Capacity to Customers project outputs

- Demand response commercial templatesCustomer segmentation report
 - Customer segmentation repo
 - New connections process
 - Overall customer feedback
- Network data

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- Modelling / simulation outcomes
- Recommended changes to P2/6

Customer benefits

- Financial benefits
- Carbon benefits



Project timeline

Closedown

Closedown report Project closedowns

Live trials

Trial 'go live' ✓ Recruit trial participants Power quality and losses modelling Carbon and economic impact assessments Continuously engage stakeholders Continuously engage with customers

Design and build

- Customer engagement plan and surveys 🗸
 - Commercial templates and processes 🗸
 - Aggregator tender process 🗸
 - Circuit selection 🗸
 - P2/6 derogation and consultation 🗸
- Enhanced network management software ✓ Equipment installation and commissioning ✓



January 2012 to March 2013

April 2013 to September 2014

October to December 2014

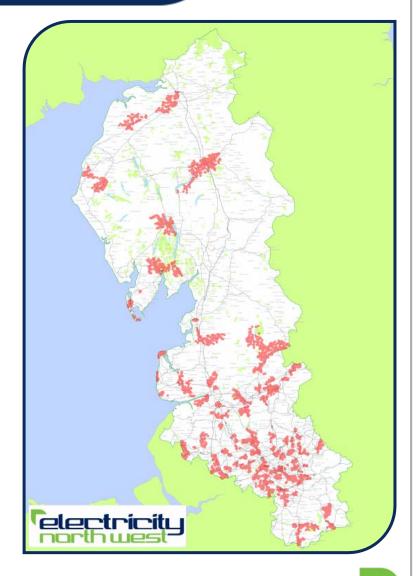
We aim to create a template for implementation that other DNOs can learn from and use

The C_2C trial area



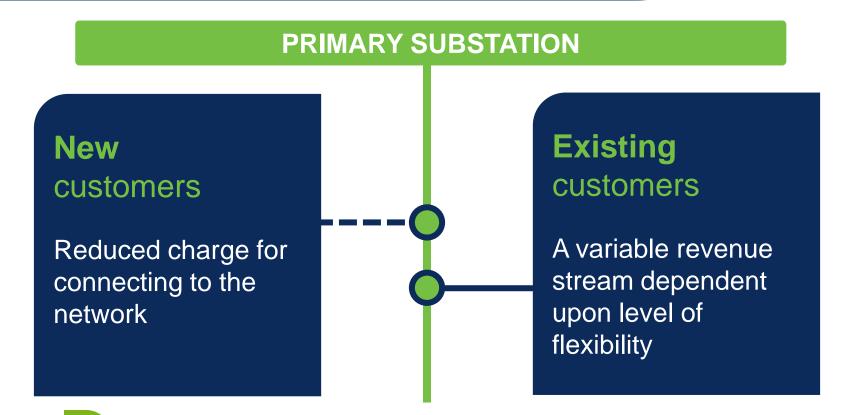
- The trial area is all our 132 & 33kV network and approximately 10% of our HV network
- C₂C will touch 382,000 customers
- To find out if a location is included in our HV trial area, more details can be found on our C₂C website

www.enwl.co.uk/c2c



The C₂C concept





For both new and existing customers an opportunity to participate in an innovative trial that will generate learning for the future operation of distribution networks



A C₂C managed customers power supply will be as **reliable as usual**

Power cuts or faults are infrequent, and may typically be experienced once every three years.

So, what will happen during a fault?



Bolton Arena is a C_2C managed customer

A power cut or fault is experienced in the area



Power restored to majority of customers in the area

Managed customer and some non-managed customers are still without power

1 hour

Typically following a HV fault, power is restored within 1 hour

All non-managed customers power is restored



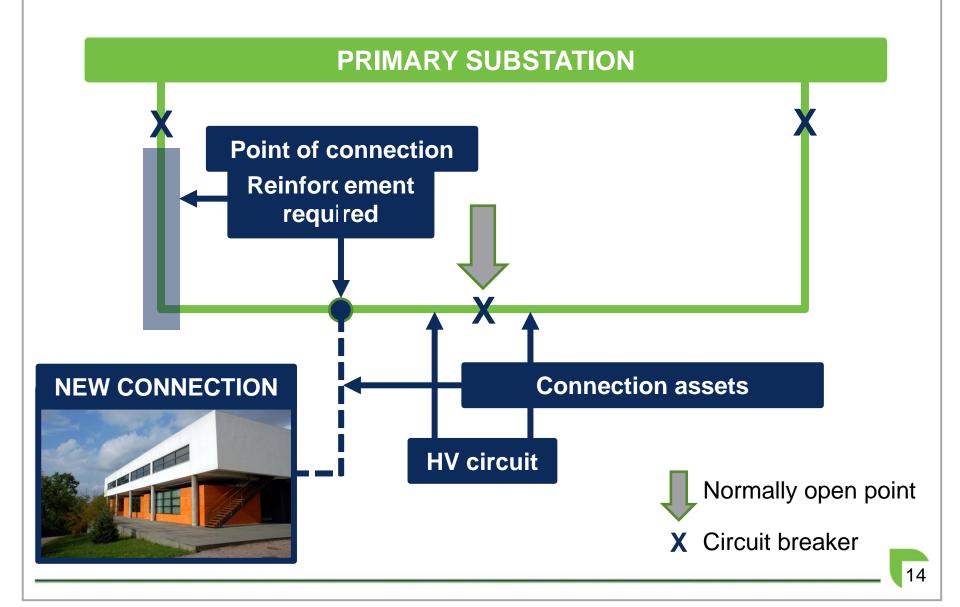
As a C_2C managed customer, the restoration of the non-essential power may be delayed up to a preagreed period of time

In this example all of Bolton Arena's load is non-essential and it has been restored within 8 hours

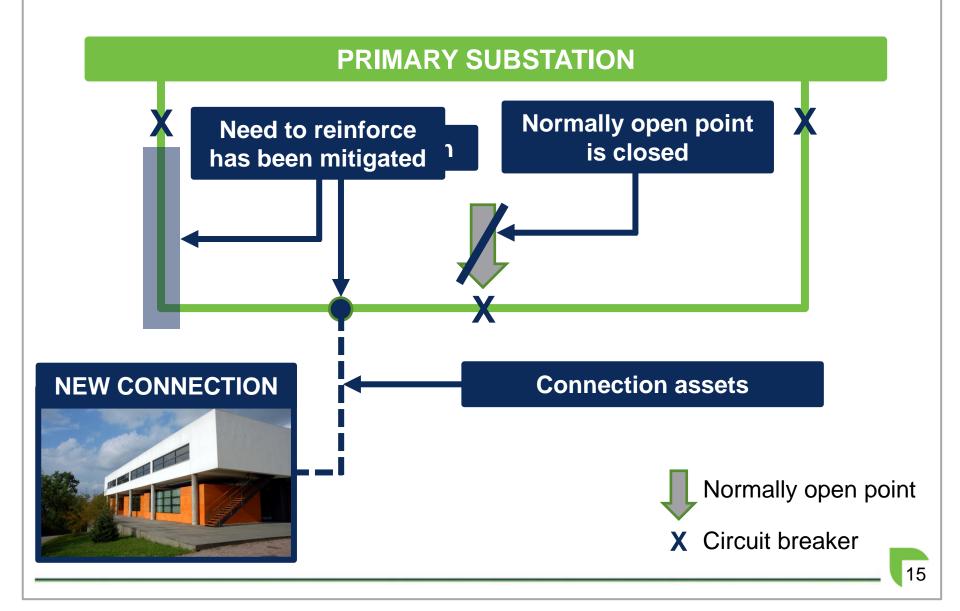


- How can opting for a C₂C managed supply save our customers money on a new connection?
 - No network reinforcement charges
 - Reduced connection asset costs

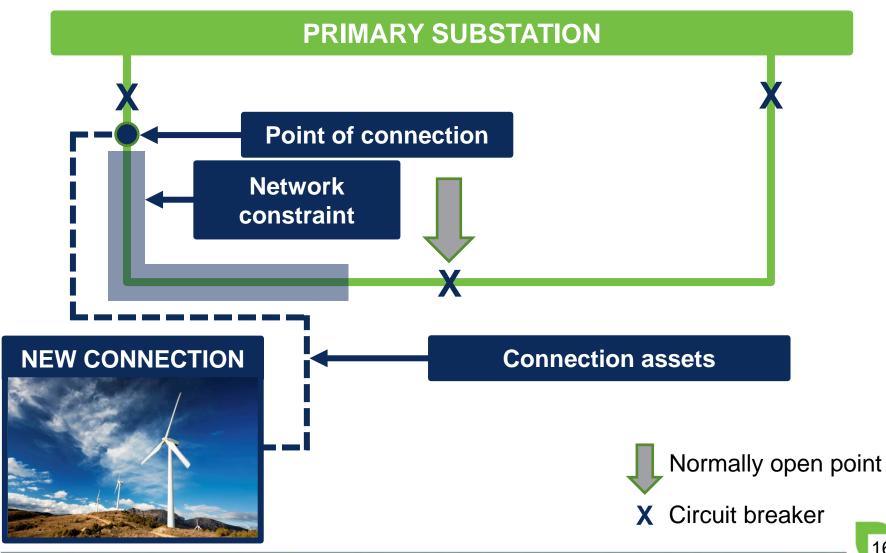




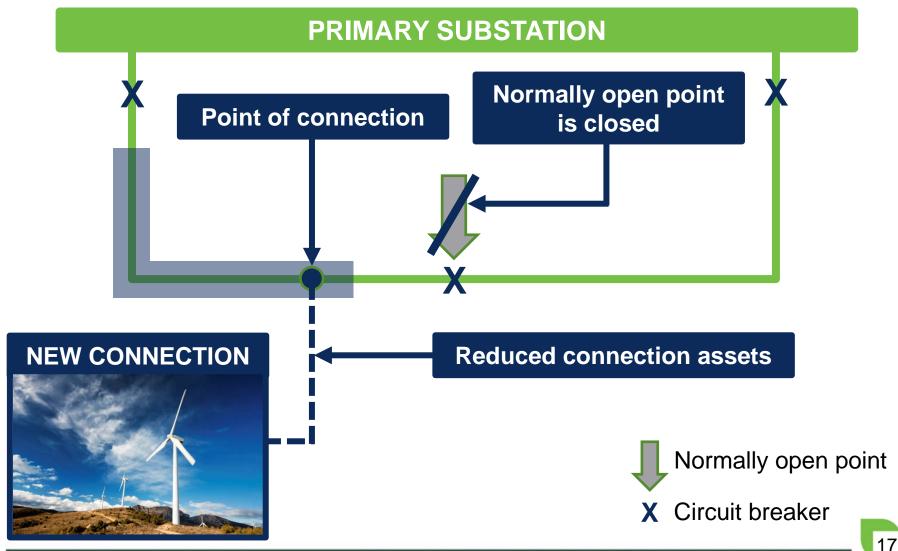






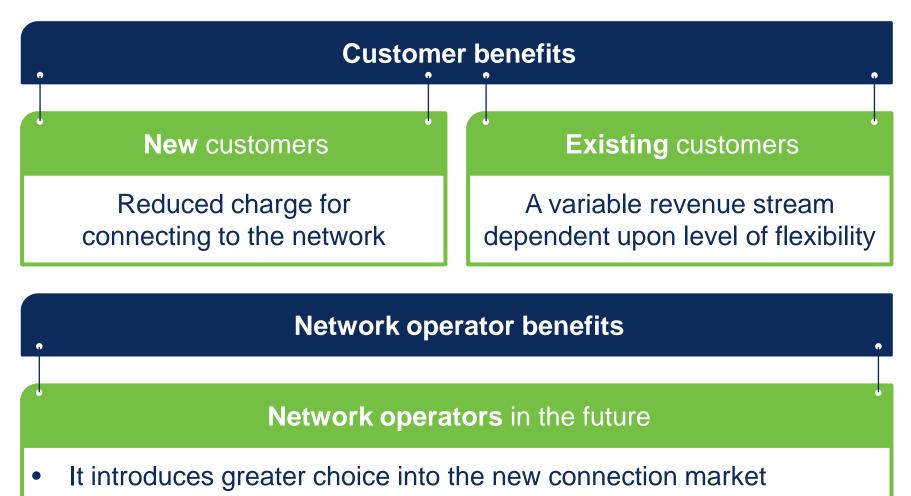












• Allows the timing of network investments to be better considered







To explore the appeal and potential uptake of C₂C to I&C customers

- Targeted mail shot to I&C customers on C₂C circuits
- Seminar for new connections customers
- Survey to answer three key questions:
 - 1. Is there an appetite in the I&C market for C_2C ?
 - 2. What is the level of interest by sector?
 - 3. For the I&C market, what contract elements are required to make C_2C as attractive as possible?

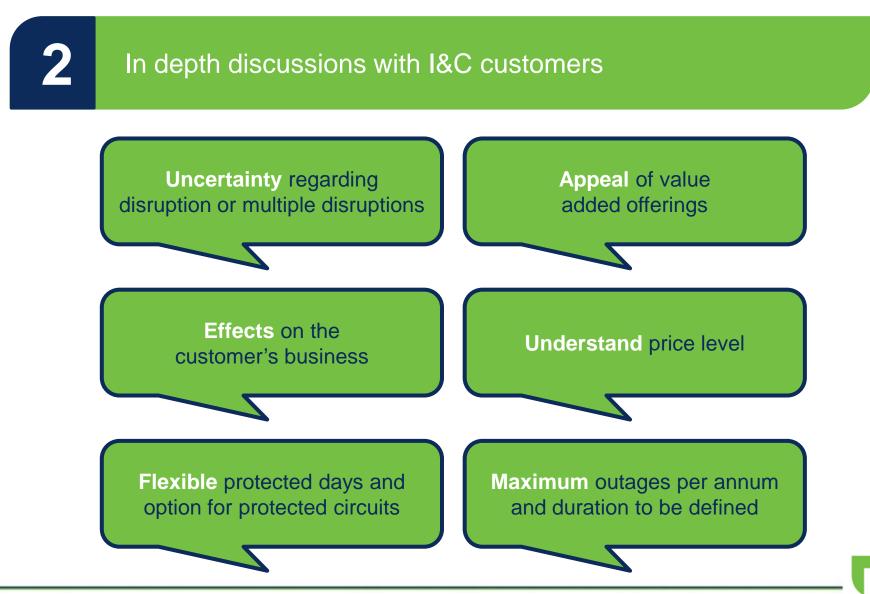


Summary of engagement with business customers



- \sim C₂C is appealing, contracts signed
- Greatest barrier is customer uncertainty about reliability of supply
- Key learning used to structure C₂C commercial contracts
 - **Tailored contracts** terms considered important
 - Length of contract had the biggest single influence on take up.
 - Safeguarded days significantly increased take up rates.
 - Higher levels of reward required to significantly drive up participation
 - The level of **appeal** is lower for Manufacturing & Processing v. Others
- Ongoing engagement will continue
 - Post acceptance survey
 - Ongoing monitoring









Three routes to market:

- DNO direct
- Agent/aggregator finder's fee using our equipment with the contract model being Electricity North West direct with the customer
- Aggregator providing equipment, bilateral contract with the aggregator and the aggregator with the customer

What is the cost of delivery and the delivery model?

Price model development

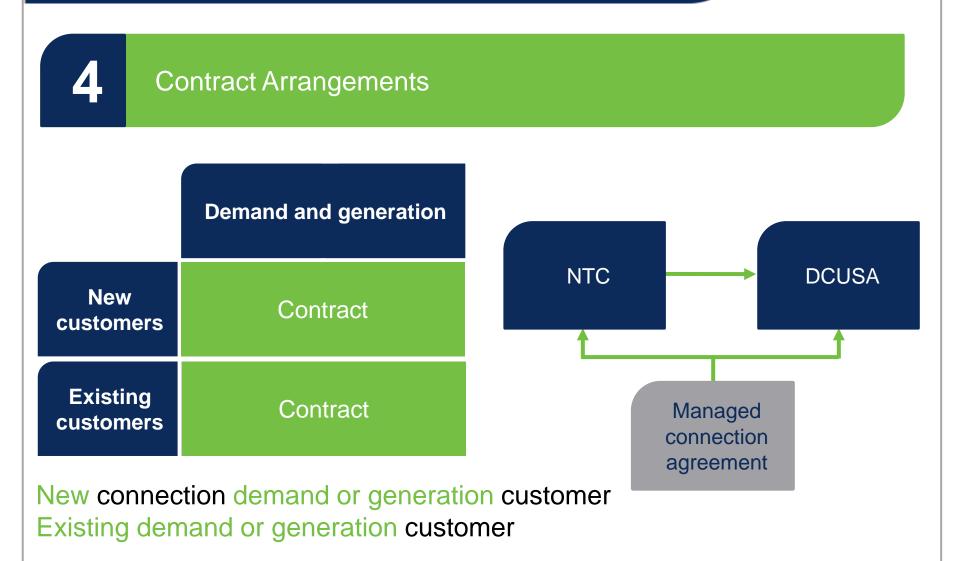


Customer interface developed for presentation purposes

- Customer presentations were crucial to the customer's understanding of the C₂C product
- As customers became comfortable, the flexible options became less important



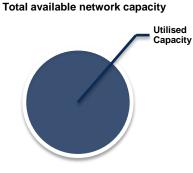




Recap - innovatively releasing Capacity to Customers



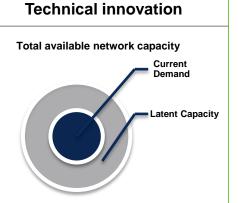
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Where are we now

- Infrastructure live
- Contracts on sale
- Carrying on engaging with customers
- Complete customer sign up and evaluate price point
- Monitoring and power quality of network



Questions & Answers



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