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Welcome

Roger Hey WPD DSO Systems & Projects Manager















### EVs are coming

Since 2016 when project started

- Many new EVs available
- More and more over next few years

Improving choice for drivers

Great driving experience

Great news for the environment

And great for the electricity industry

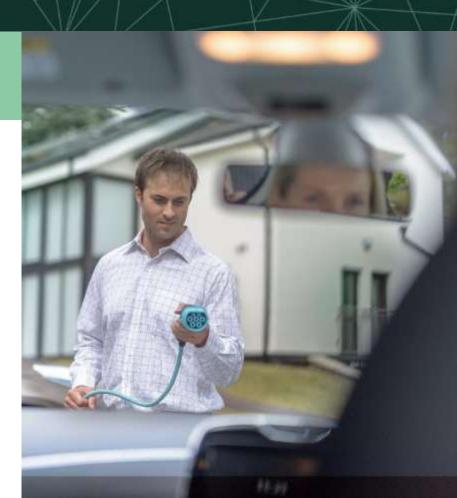




# But this will create challenges

- For the electricity supply industry
  - Generation
  - Transmission National Grid
  - Distribution networks
- Home charging preferred by most
  - On street parking?
- Workplace
- Depot/Fleet
- Destination
- On route

Fast and Rapid Chargers Higher power





### Today

- Focussing on home EV charging
- What we have learned about EV charging
  - And smart charging
- All about the Electric Nation Smart Charging Trial
- How this will help Distribution System Operators manage this new electricity demand







### Introduction to the Project

Ricky Duke **WPD** Innovation & Low Carbon Network Engineer















### Western Power Distribution Innovation Programme











#### **Future Networks Programme**

#### Assets

- Management of distribution assets
- Exploitation of asset & network information
- Developing Smart Grid Technology

#### Customers

- Distributed Generation
- Connecting Electric Vehicles
- · Adopting Battery Storage
- · Facilitating Flexibility

#### Operations

- Maintaining Reliability
- Strategic Forecasting
- Transitioning to DSO
- Operational Efficiency



#### **Network and Customer Data**

New

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Network Improvements and System Operability

- Primary Networks Power Quality Analysis
- Virtual STATCOM
- CADET
- Network Islanding
- Stochestic Load Flow
- Network Islanding
- Harmonic Mitigation

Transition to a Low Carlson Future

- Electric Nation (formerly CarConnect)
- MADE
- Virtual Yelemetry
   Feeder Fault Level
- Visibility Plugs & Socket
   EDGE-FCLi
- Next Generation Wireless
- . OHL Power Pointer
- MVDC
- 50 Design
- OHL Sirector
   IV Fault Location
- · On-street EV Charging

Customer and Stakeholder Focus

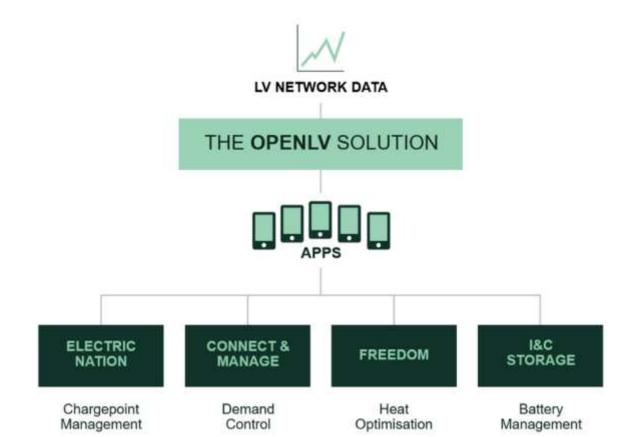
- Power Electronic FLM
   Power Electronic FCL
- Power Electronic FC
   Self System Design
- . New Build Standards
- LCT Response

Safety, Health and Environment

- LV Sensitive Earth Fault Protection
- · Simulated Training
- Robot Trades
- · Wildlife Protection
- Advanced Vegetation Management
- Visual Data Processing



### LOW VOLTAGE (LV) NETWORK INNOVATION





# EVs & The Electricity Supply Chain

- EVs will require the generation and transmission of additional electricity to charge up:
  - Challenges for the generation industry and National Grid
- And Distribution Network Operators in their networks down to 11kV network level
- For Distribution Network Operator's on 11 kV and LV networks EV loads may overload these networks – in certain seasons and times of day





## What can be done about this?

- Additional loading on LV networks would result in at least 30% of these networks in GB requiring investment by 2050 costing billions of pounds
- Investment = upgrade/replace these networks disruption affecting all of us
- Costs of upgrades go onto customer bills a hidden cost of EV ownership?
- Smart charging could reduce/delay or avoid the need to upgrade/replace networks
- UK Government is mandating smart charging
- This project aimed to provide evidence whether it will work





### So, what's the problem?

- Electricity demand from
  - People's homes
  - Shops, Offices
  - Factories and warehouses
- Vary through the day/week
- & by season
  - and is weather dependent
- Worst time of year is the coldest winter day
  - When offices/shops/factories still operating
  - People coming home from work
  - Coincidental high demand





### **Electric Vehicle Charging**

- Compared to other household appliances
  - High power 3.5/7kW
    - Similar to kettle/electric cooker/shower
  - But ON for hours
    - High energy use
    - Similar demand to a house in a year
- Charging an EV is like adding an extra house to a network





## So, why can't the network cope with this?

- Electricity networks designed before EVs were a twinkle in Elon Musk's mind
- On average designed to supply 2kW per home
  - Diversity in electricity use across homes allows this
- Adding 3.6/7kW to this average demand doesn't go
  - One EV on most streets OK
  - 2, 3, 4, 5... Still OK
  - But at some point the EV demand could breach the operational limits of a network





## The Resulting Demand





### Consequences

- Supply voltage drops below statutory limit
- Transformers and cables overheat
  - Reduces lifespan
  - Wear out sooner
  - Weaknesses aggravated
  - Faults occur and repeat
  - Fuses blow
- Unhappy customers





### Solutions

- Upgrade networks
  - We do this already
  - And will continue to
- Smart solutions
  - WPD's Connect & Manage
  - WPD's Constraint Managed Zones
  - Smart Charging?





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- Let's investigate...



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# Proving the benefits of smart EV charging for both customers and local power networks

The world's largest Smart Charging trial (500-700 participants) 3 year project (2016-2019)

Involving all types of plug in vehicles (PHEV/EV)

Conceived, designed, and led by EA Technology









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# Thank you for listening

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# The Smart Charging Trial

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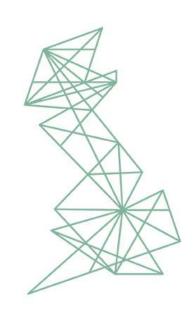
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Collaboration partner on Electric Nation Responsible for technical leadership on the project:

- The Smart Charging Trial
- Development of a Low Voltage Network Assessment Tool



## ELECTRIC NATION



### Before we start...

Today is an overview

- Key findings
- Key supporting evidence

Everyone here today will receive link to final report & today's presentations





### Smart Charging Systems Selection

Selected Back-Office providers during project development phase

- CrowdCharge
- GreenFlux

Smart Chargers during project initiation

- CrowdCharge: APT eVolt
- GreenFlux: Alfen ICU

Charger communications within & to/from homes









### Test System

- 6 x CrowdCharge controlled chargers
- 6 x GreenFlux
- Independent monitoring of charger pilot signal and power drawn by EV
- Used to test Smart Charging algorithms&
- Whether EVs followed smart charging power allocation changes

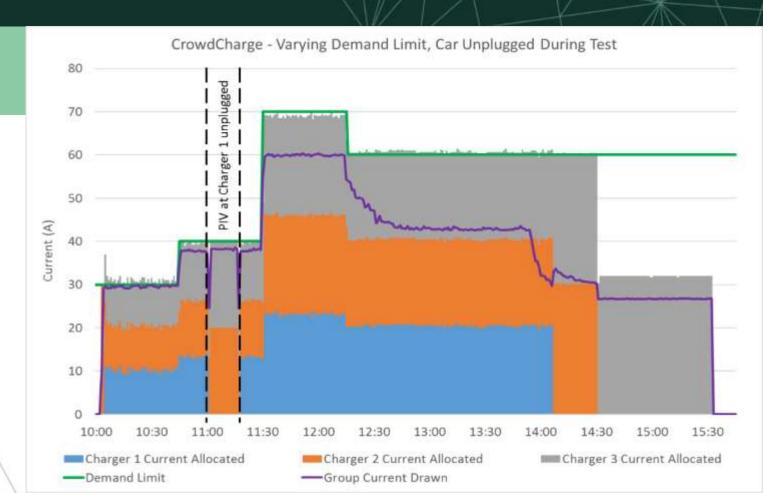




### Typical Test

3 Evs

Varying demand limit





### **Pilots**

- 10 pilot installations
- Testing installation and commissioning procedures
  - Chargers
  - Communications equipment

All looking good, so far...





### Installers

- Managed by Drive Electric
- Trained: installation and commissioning
- Customer-supplied survey (via form)
- Installation visit
- Charger hardware support













### Recruitment of Trial **Participants**

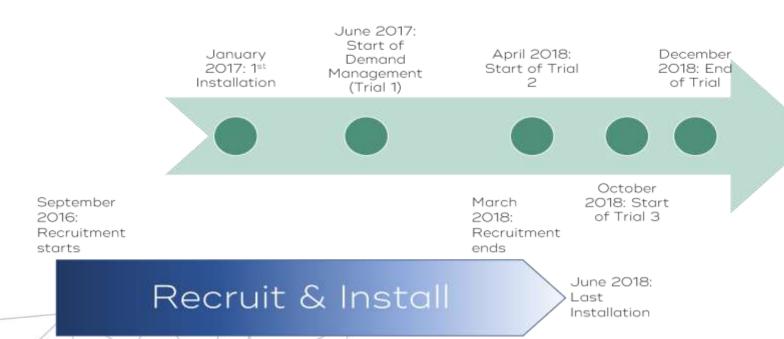


- Public and company events
- Dealerships
- Go Ultra Low cities
- Press releases and media articles
- Website



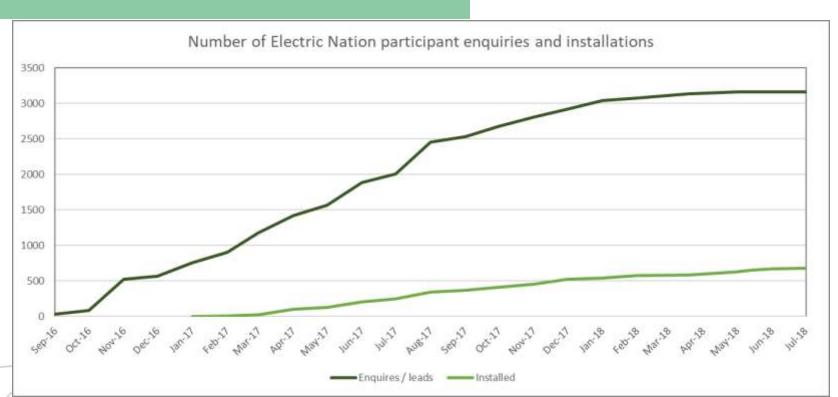


### **Trial Timeline**



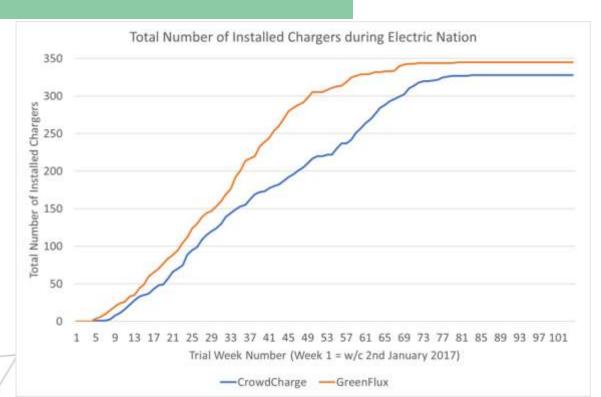


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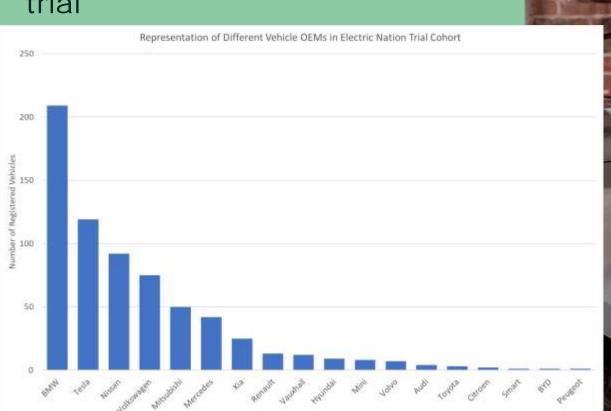


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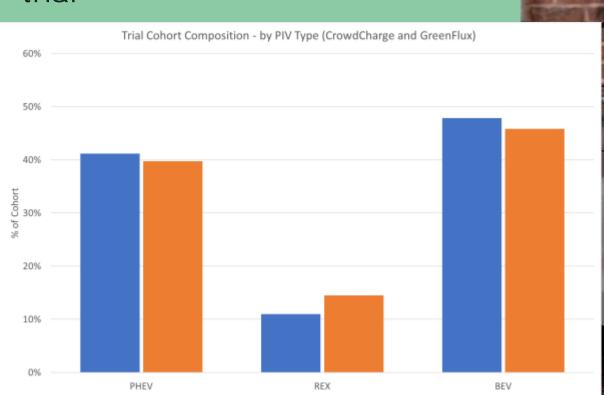


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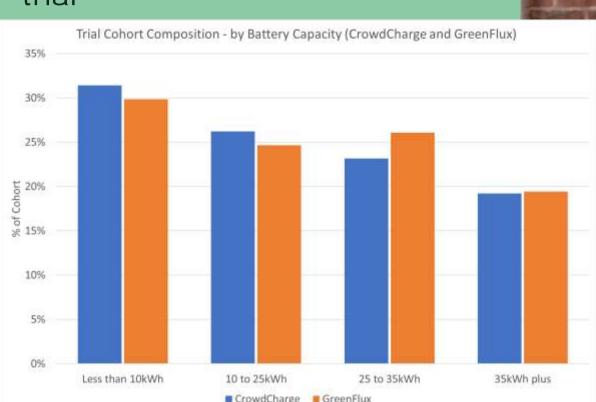
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### **Customer Research**

### Surveys

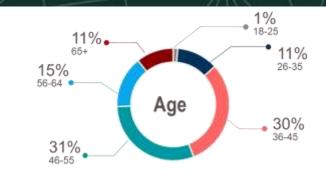
- Recruitment
- Baseline
- Trial 1
- Trial 2
- Trial 3
- Post Trial & Focus Groups

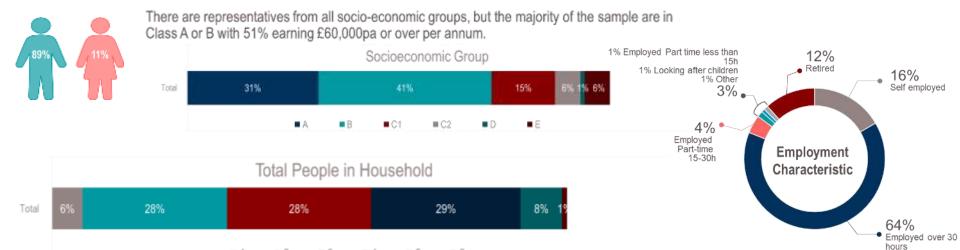




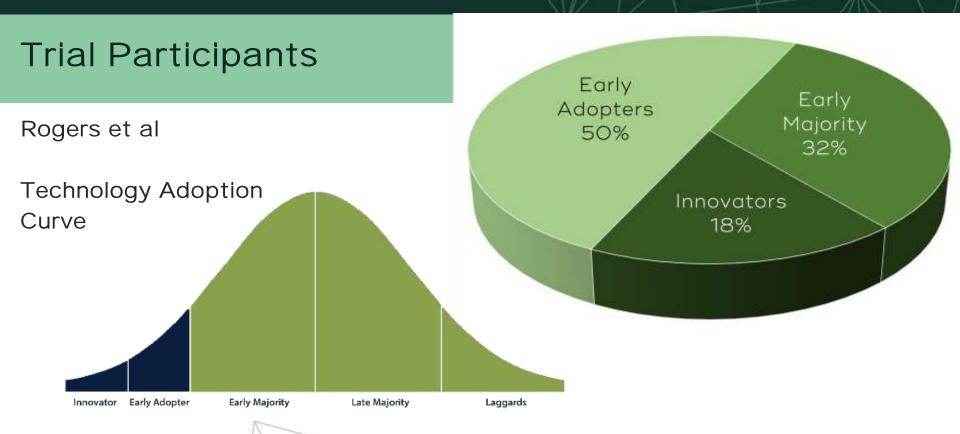
### **Trial Population**

- Focuses on demographics
- Numbers presented here are for the whole trial population (GF and CC)











### Where do people charge

#### **All Participants**

Most Frequent Charging Location:

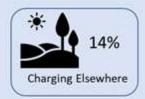




Use of Other Charging Facilities:







Typical Weekly Mileage:

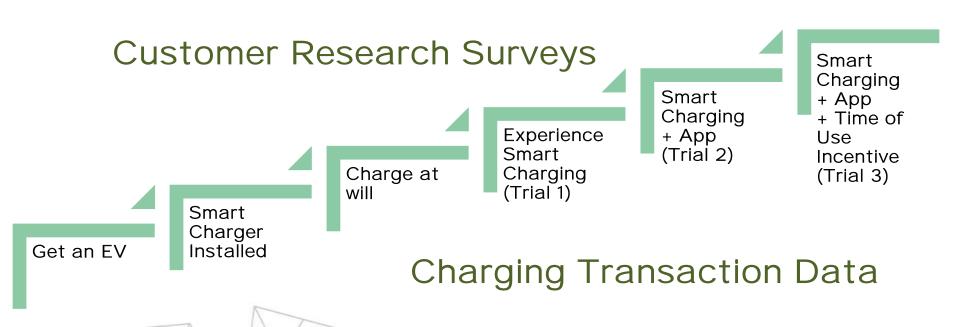
0 - 75 miles a 13% week 75 - 200 miles a 45% week

200 - 350 miles a 28% week

350+ miles a 14% week



# Customer Journey through Trial





#### **Data Gathered**

#### Via Smart Charging Systems:

- Transaction data
  - Plug in
  - Energy Consumed
  - Plug out
    - Greenflux all
    - CrowdCharge only if online
- Meter data
  - 1 or 3 minute meter readings during transaction
  - Only captured if online
- Online/offline

#### Via Customer Research:

- Participant profiles (gender, age, etc)
- Satisfaction with charging arrangements
- Acceptability of smart charging
- Reflections of experience during trial



#### Communications

Host of challenges during the project

- Installation issues
- Charger & controller configuration
  - Manufacturing errors
  - Updates
  - WiFi bridge
- Broadband internet reliability
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- Mobile data reliability
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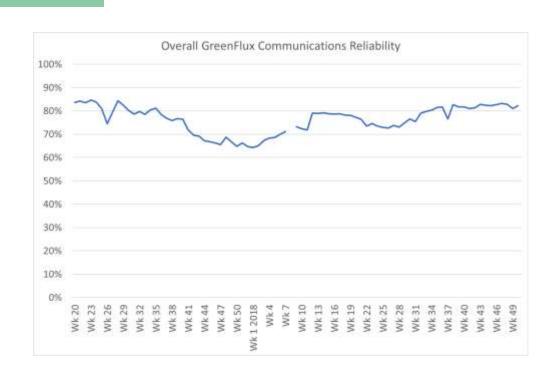




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### Lessons learned

Smart chargers must a consumer ready appliance

- Firmware stability
  - Updates without user intervention
- Communications stability

Communications reliability is key to success

- Broadband internet connections not reliable
- Mobile data connections patchy
  - Configuring to work together not as easy as it should be

Installers need more time (£) and improved skills for the roll out of home smart chargers







# Thank you for listening

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CrowdCharge Smart Charging System

Mike Potter CrowdCharge Chief Executive















### Our Story



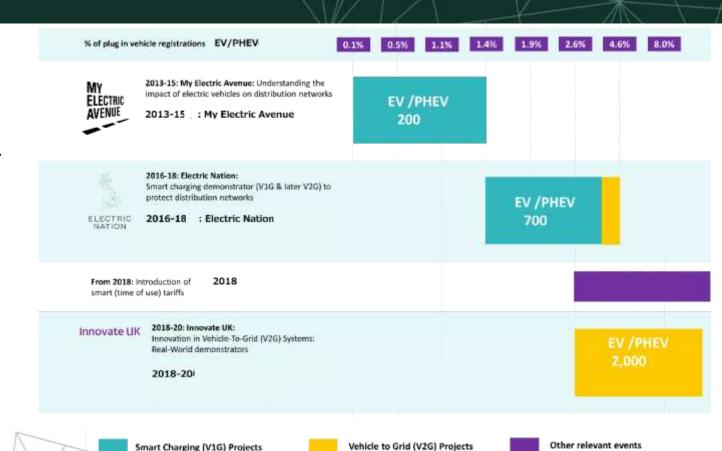
- Vehicle leasing for 25 years;
- First company to lease a Tesla in the UK back in 2008;
- UK's leading specialist EV leasing company
   10% market share;
- Leading edge innovation partner for EV managed charging;
- Created smart EV charging platform company – Crowd Charge.



- Company established to develop smart charging and V2G platform and solutions;
- Installed and operated 350 smart chargers on WPD innovation project 'Electric Nation';
- Successfully deployed a range of algorithms, optimising DNO capacity, time of use tariffs and driver needs;
- Specialist team covering charger design, DNO innovation, energy systems, battery management and AI;
- Working with Japanese partner have the first G99 compliant domestic V2G charger on sales in the UK.



# Evolution of Smart Charging in the UK



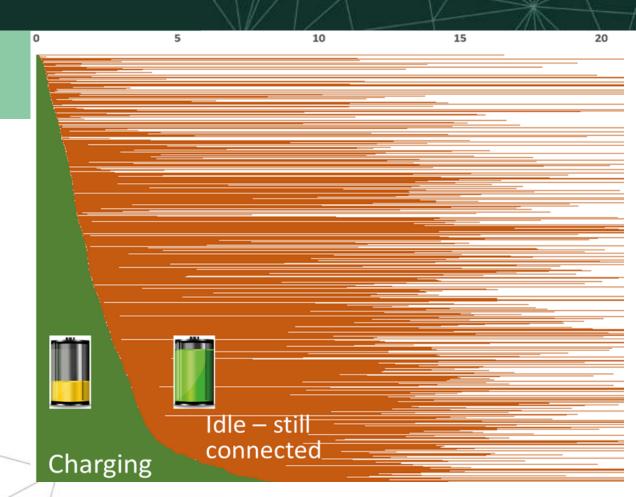


# Our platform - operating since 2016





# Flexibility from EV charging



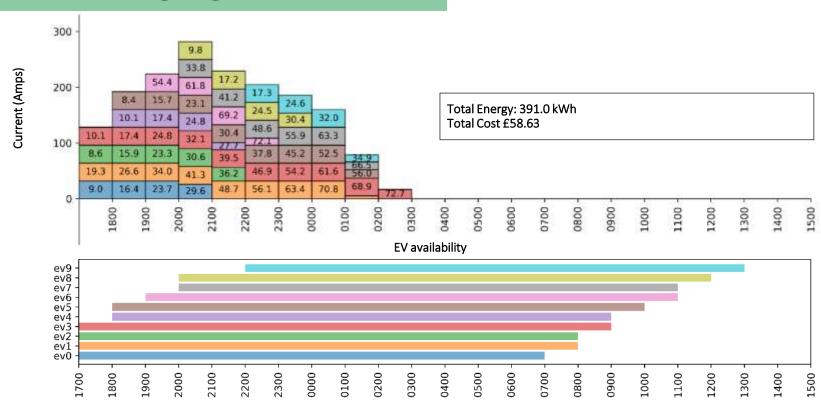


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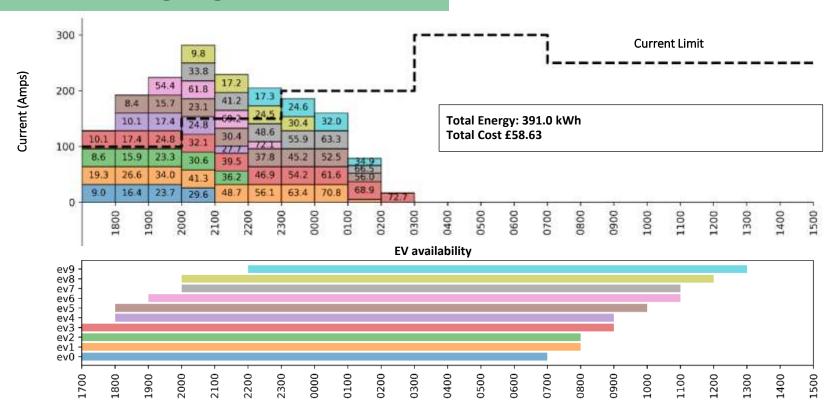


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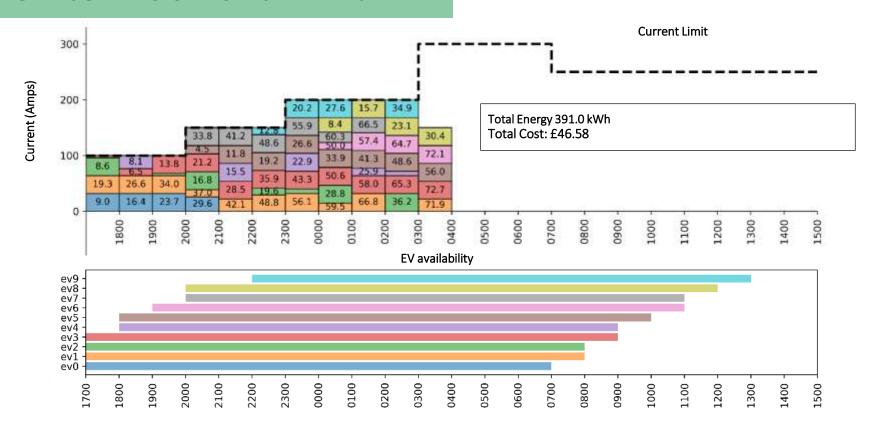


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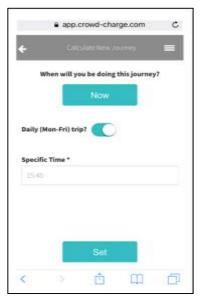
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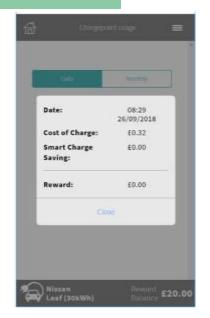


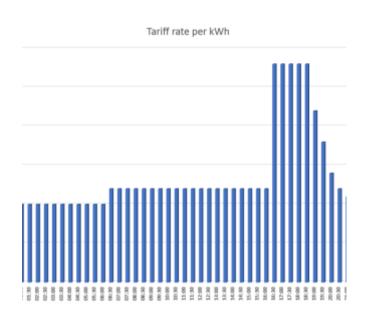


### User Journey









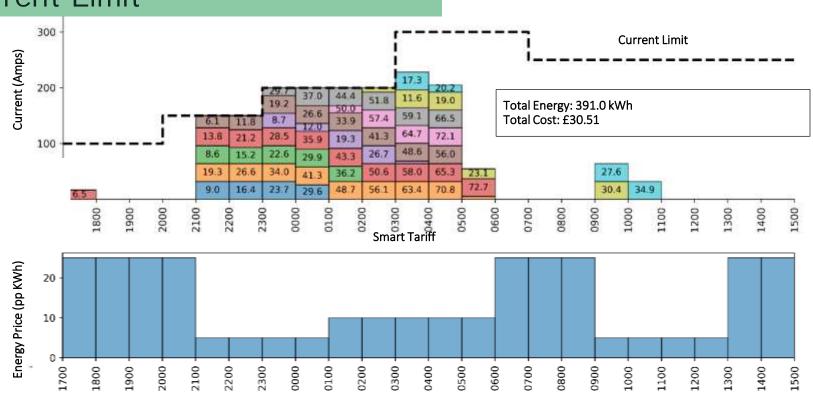
Plug In Adjust

Rewards

Price

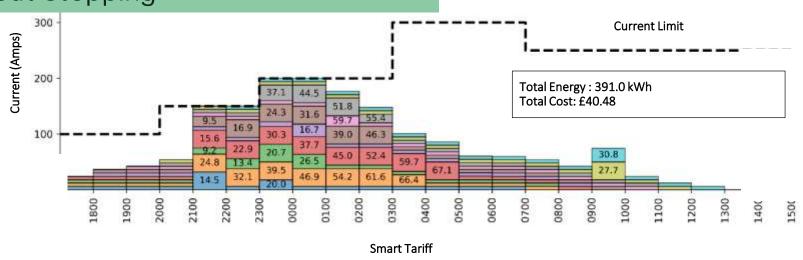


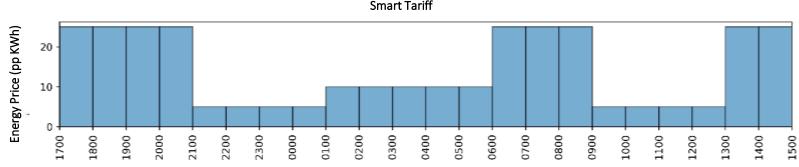
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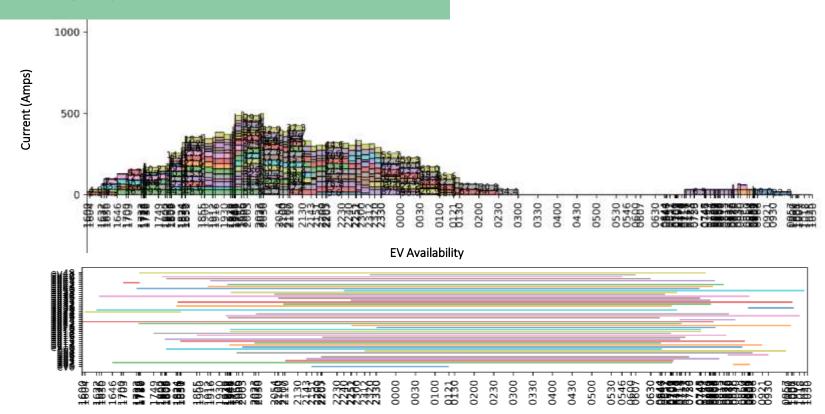
## Energy Price and Current Limit – without stopping





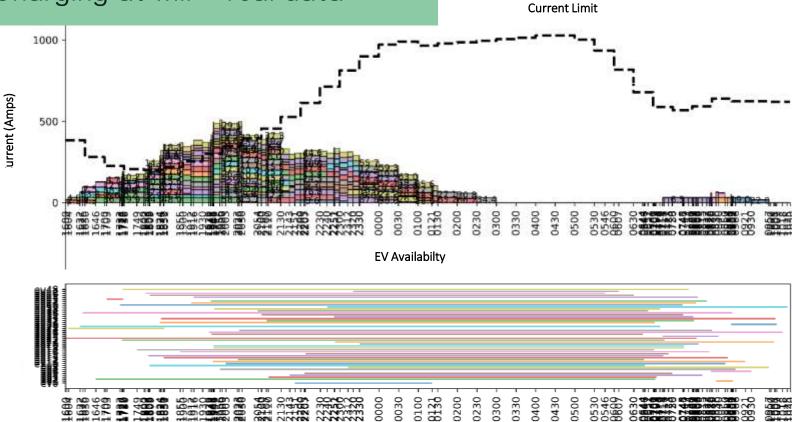


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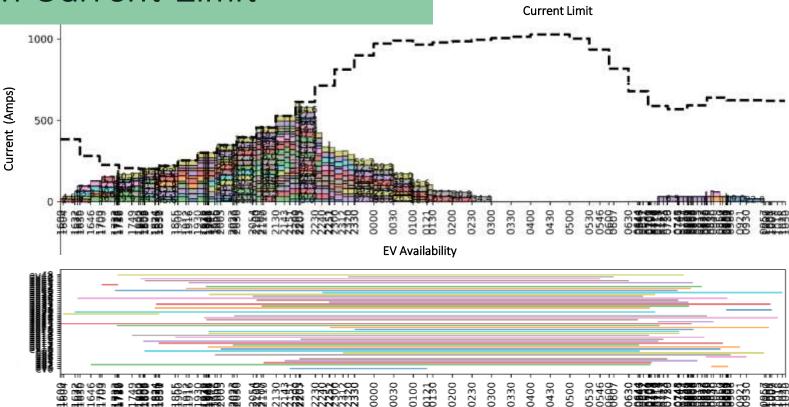


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### With Current Limit





### Key Challenges/Learning

- Comms uptime is a key measure
- Users need very simple instructions / UX
- Telematics data is too expensive for smart charging
- And you don't necessarily need it
- User behaviour can be adjusted
- Solving for lowest total cost is possible
- We can isolate the DNO action from pricing



### Thank you for listening



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GreenFlux Smart Charging System

Hans de Boer GreenFlux *Chief Executive* 















### **Leading Smart Charging**

















Proud to be GreenFlux

Leader in EV smart charging solutions





# White label CPO & eMSP platform



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Remote management and support



Billing and transaction management



Global Roaming via open standards



Smart Energy Management (Smart Charging)



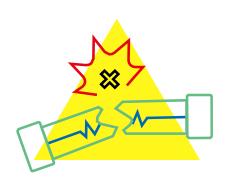
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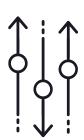
Interfaces / API



### What is Smart Charging?



Increase/decrease maximum charge rate







# Why do you do Smart Charging?



DYNAMIC ENERGY PRICES



GRID CONSTRAINTS



USER REQUIREMENTS



LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY







#### Cloud-based solution

### Infinitely scalable



Unlimited number of chargers

Blazingly **fast** response

#### Interoperable



Works with any charging station

Communicates through open standards

#### Independent



User input possible, not required

Any location, any charger, any EV

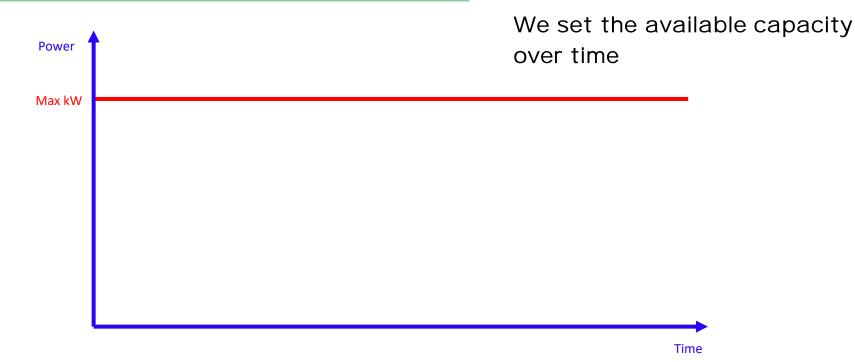
#### Intelligent



Cloud-based intelligence

Ongoing updates and optimizations

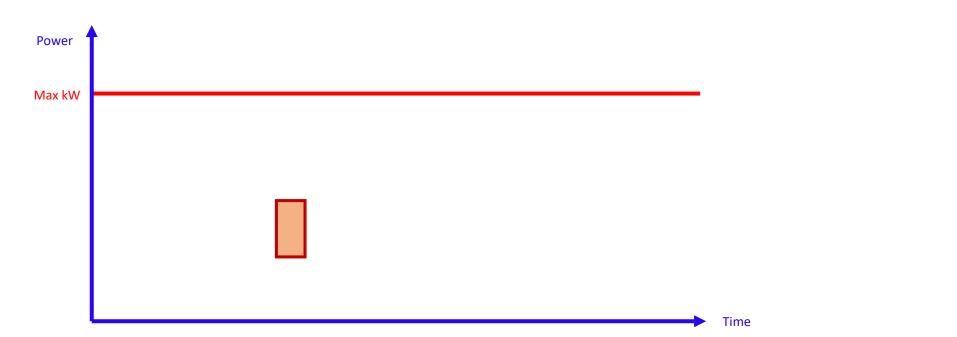




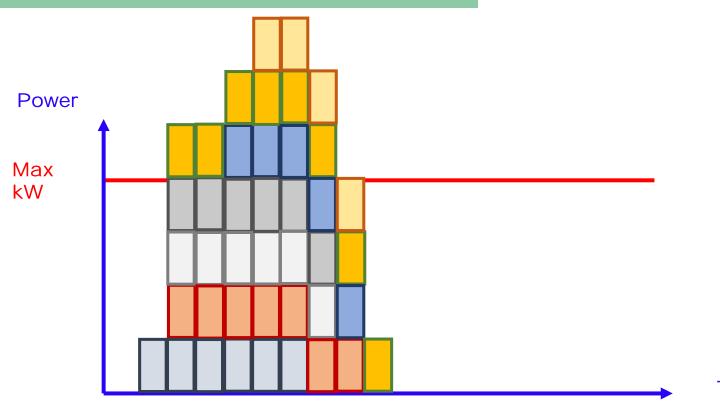
STEP 1



STEP 2
We distribute energy over time

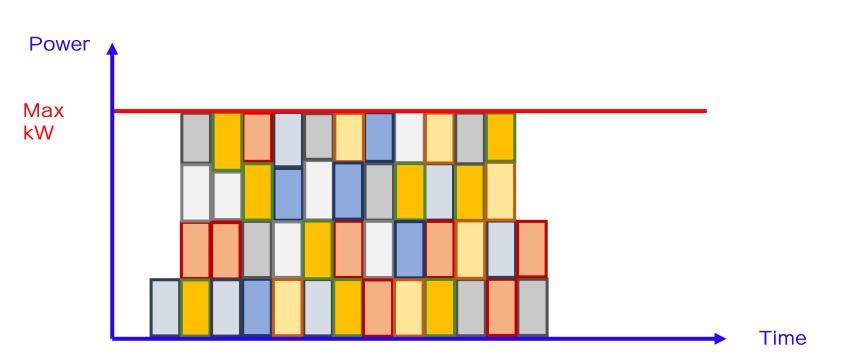




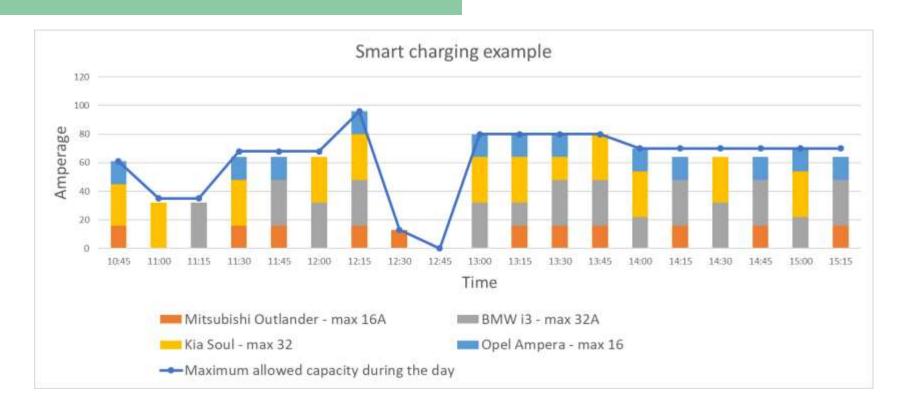


Time











### Head office of largest Dutch grid operator







2013: 16 chargers at 250A 2018: 100 chargers at 400A

Smart charging saved ~€250.000 on infrastructural costs

Smart charging is active ~10% of the time, resulting in a 90% higher charge rate for an EV



### - Electric Nation Project



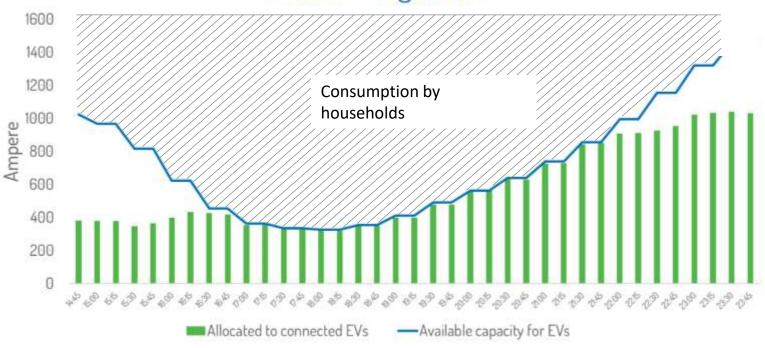
YOUR ELECTRIC VEHICLE YOUR SMART CHARGE





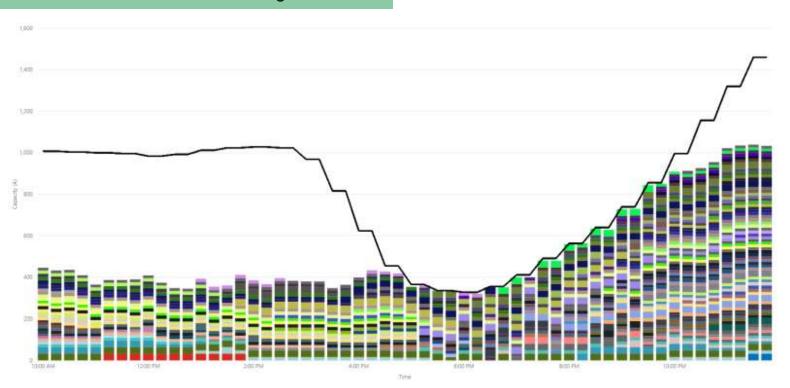
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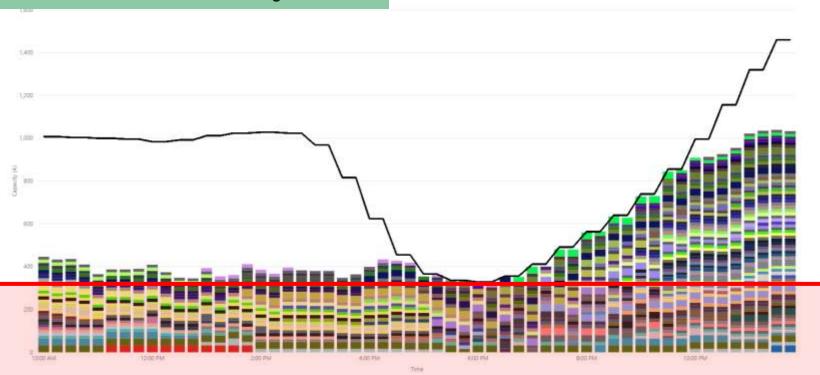


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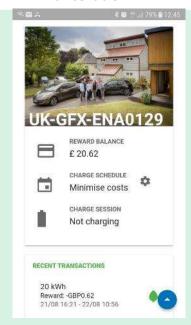


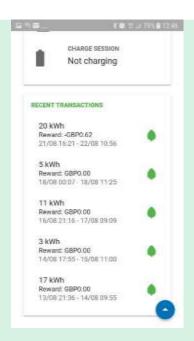
## Use case - Electric Nation Project

#### Second iteration



#### Third iteration







## Electric Nation Project Learning

#### Smart charging can be a challenge



1. Data is crucial and not always available



4. Possible network failure requires fallback scenario's



2. Some cars do not respond to smart charging signals



5. Data costs can ruin your business case



3. Some cars are on timers

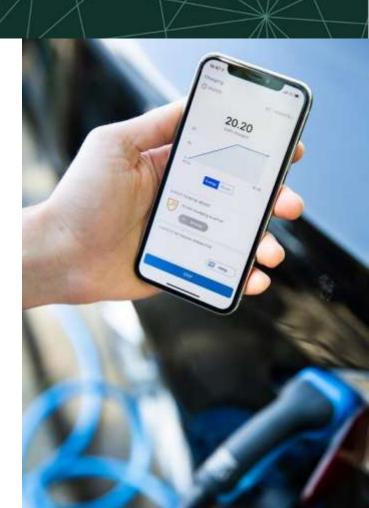


6. Limited bandwidth with 2G



# Electric Nation Project Learning

- 1. Smart charging is highly appreciated
- 2. An app is crucial
- 3. Smart charging = faster charging
- 4. We can apply this today





#### Beyond Electric Nation



### Continuously updating the algorithms

Further integration with apps, metering platforms, charging stations, etc.

Rolling this out commercially together with UK-utilities



### Thank you for listening



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Charging Behaviour Findings

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#### Questions

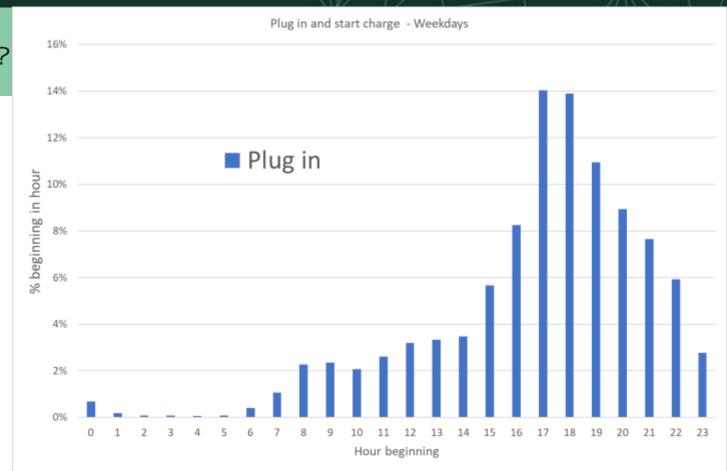
- When do people charge their vehicles?
- How frequently?
- For how long?
- Does this vary over the week/weekend and seasonally?
- Does this vary by EV type and battery size?
  - And by vehicle usage?
- Is there flexibility in charging?
  - Could it be managed?
  - Whilst not affecting vehicle use?





### When do people charge their EVs?

Plug in – start of transaction

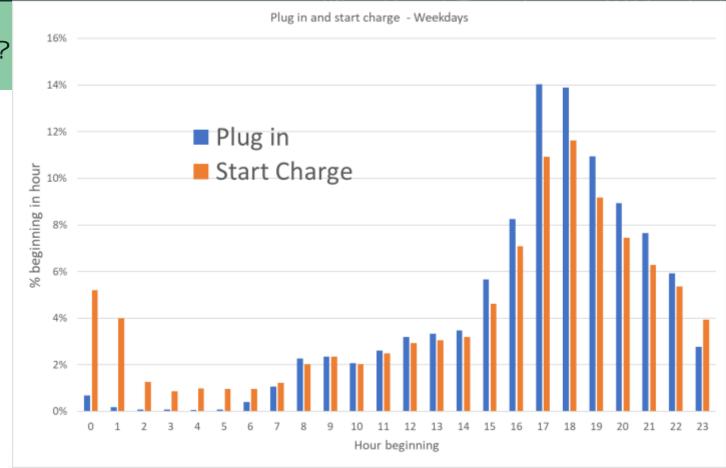


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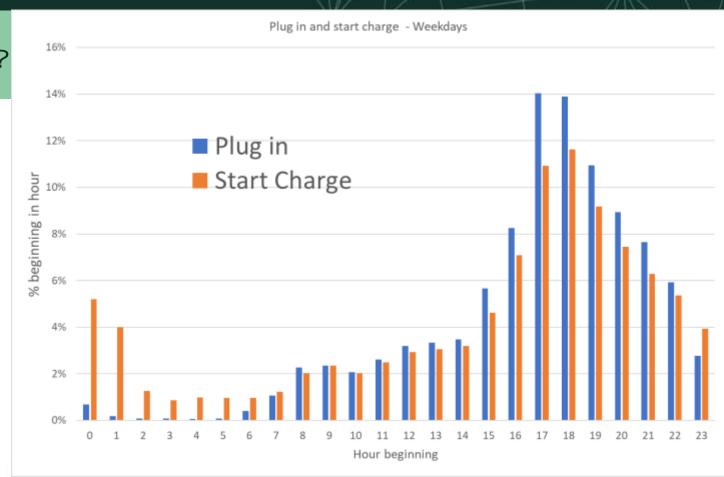


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- Start charge can be delayed
  - On-board timer
    - Delay start until...
    - Departure time

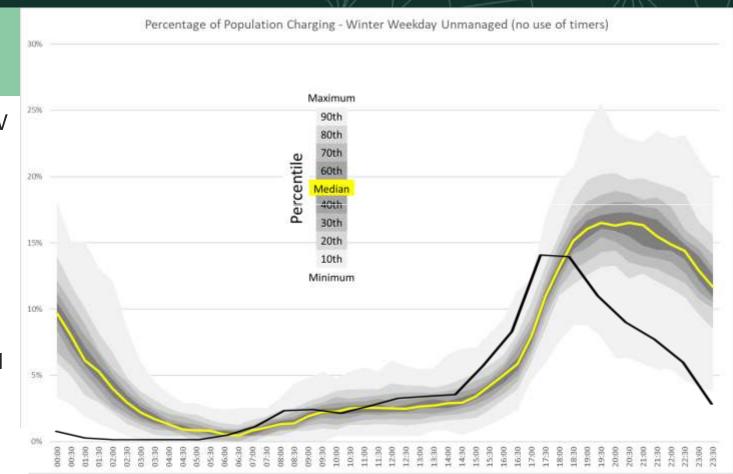


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# Charging Diversity Time of Day

- BEV & REX 7kW
- Mean/Median % of population charging varies through day
- Variance varies too
- Highest variance around early evening and overnight



Based on 30,000 Transactions



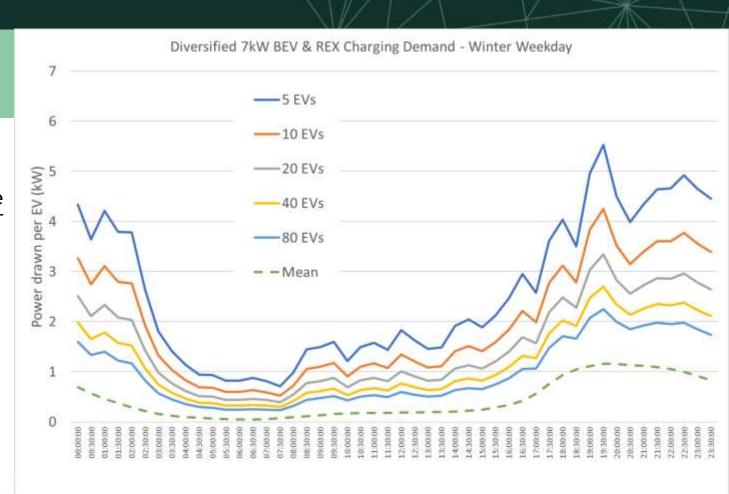
## Diversified Demand

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Mean + 
$$\frac{\text{Variance}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

As N increases

Demand per EV tends towards Mean





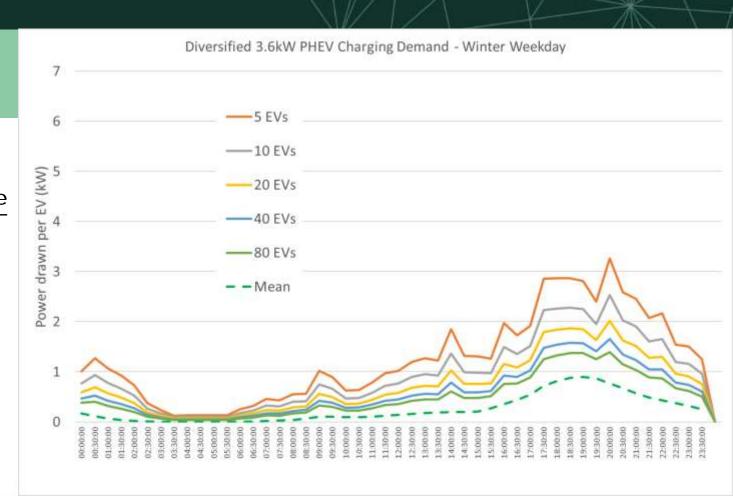
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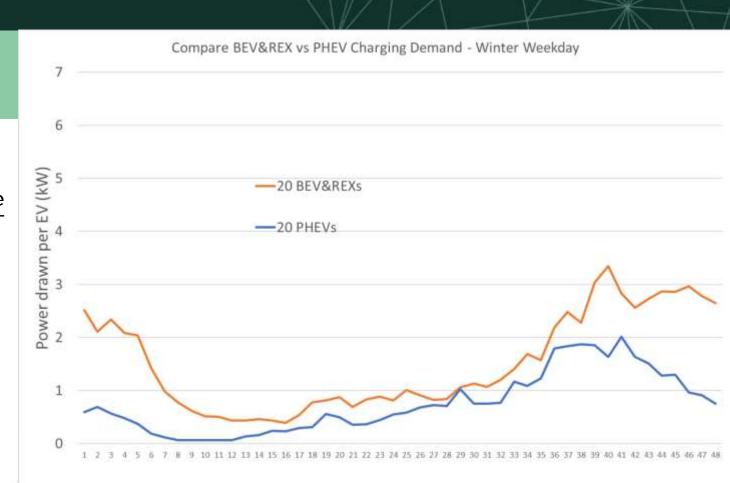


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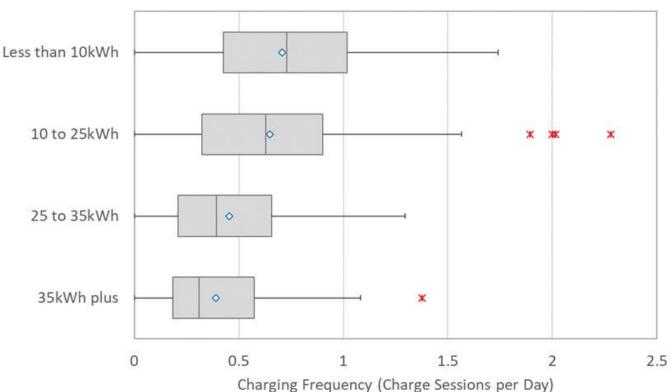




## What causes variance?

The bigger the battery the less frequently it is charged

#### Distribution of Median Charging Frequency - by Battery Capacity



Less than 10kWh = 142 participants, 10 - 25kWh = 126, 25 to 35kWh = 137, 35kWh+ = 90



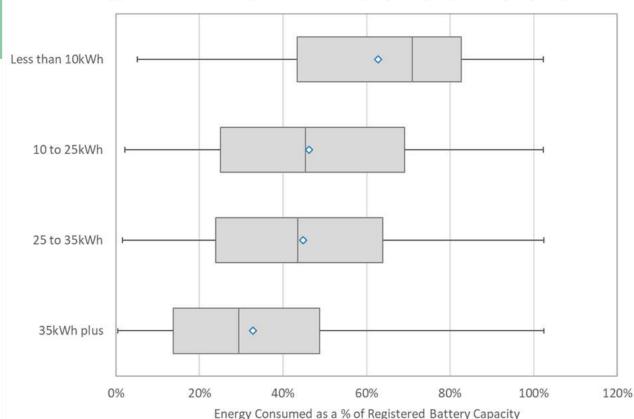
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Smaller batteries are drained more between charges than bigger batteries

For BEVs & REXs:

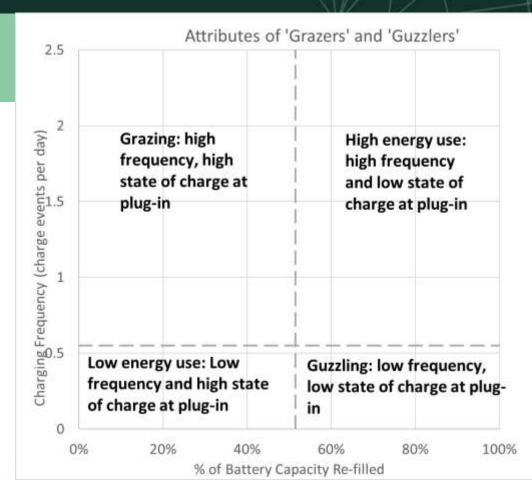
Mean battery SOC at start of charge is >50%





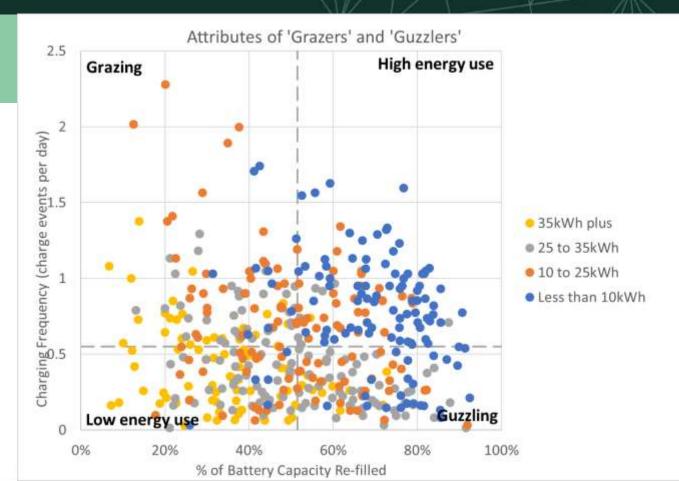
Based on 137,886 charging events





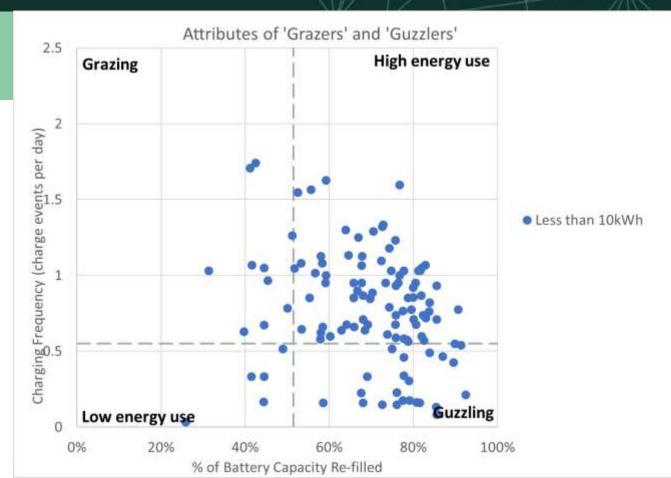






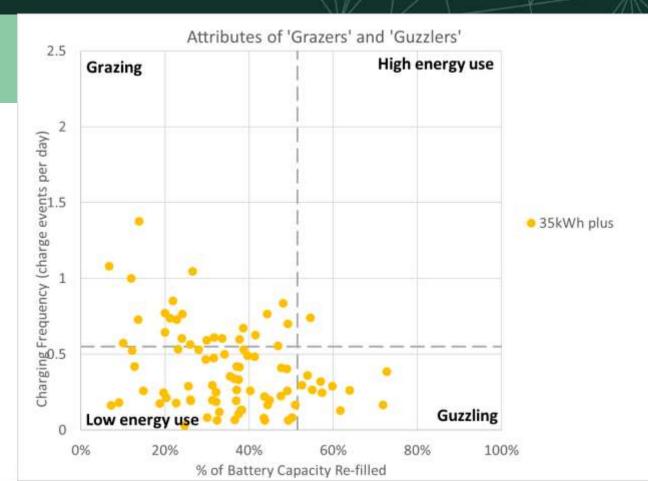












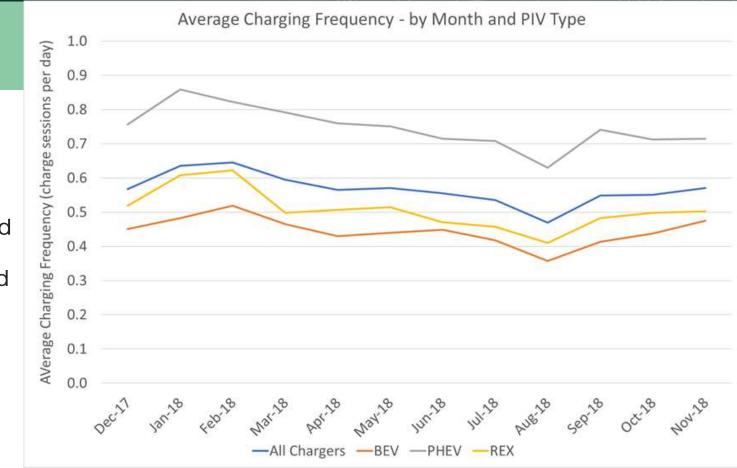




#### Seasonal Effects

Significant seasonal difference observed

- Probably caused by battery conditioning and passenger compartment heating
- Aircon more efficient (summer)





### Annual energy Consumption

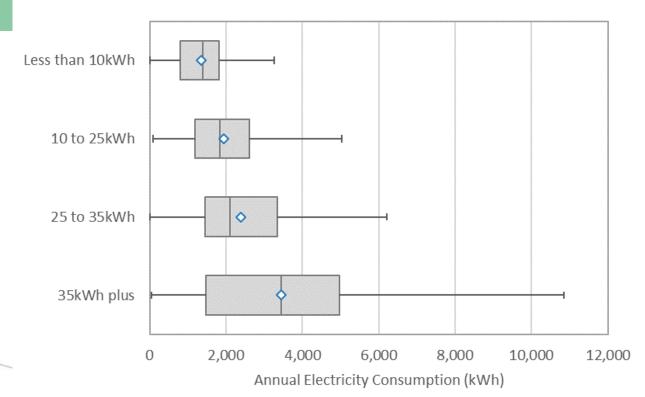
Overall Mean consumption in trial

2,000 kWh

"about a house worth"

Equivalent to 25-35 miles per day

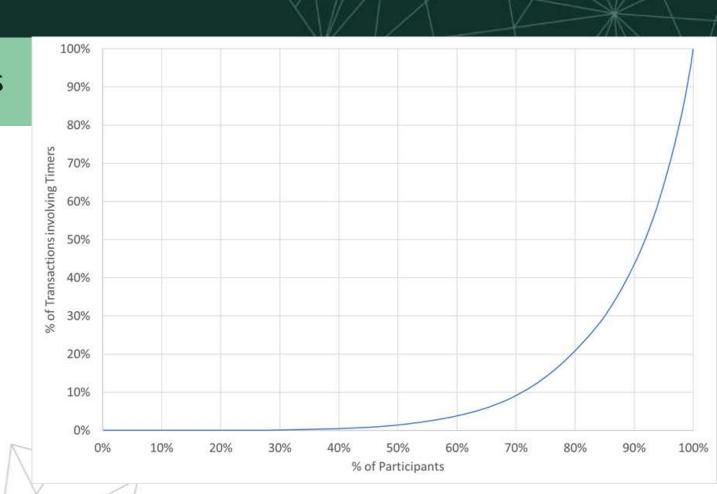
Annual Electricity Consumption from Electric Nation Charger - by Battery Capacity





#### Use of timers

 20% of participants responsible for 80% of timer use

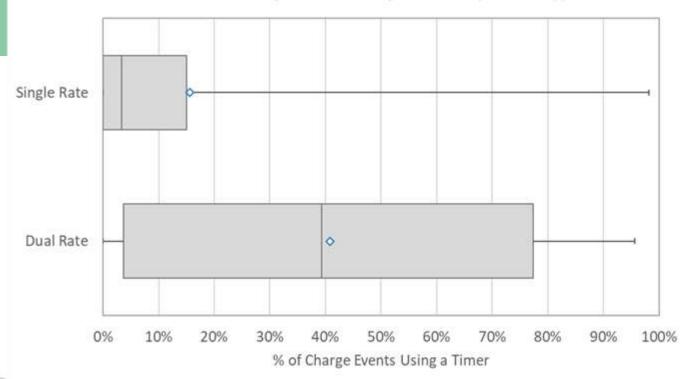




#### Use of timers

- 20% of participants responsible for 80% of timer use
- Participants with dual rate meters more likely to use timers
- But not necessarily on dual rate tariffs
  - Economy7
  - Single rate meter users won't see financial benefit at all







# Flexibility in Charging

Flexibility = I – Charging Duration Plug in Duration

Flexibility just right at time of highest rate of plug-in



Based on 137,886 charging events

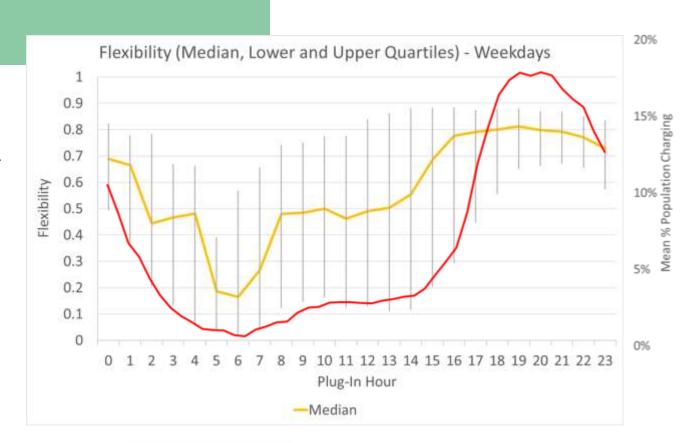


# Flexibility in Charging

Flexibility = 1 – Charging Duration Plug in Duration

Flexibility just right at time of highest rate of plug-in

And at time of highest rate of charging



Based on 137,886 charging events



### Lessons learned

- There is flexibility in charging behaviour
- Especially at peak electricity demand period
- Shows that substantial proportion of EV charging could be shifted to later evening and overnight
- Understanding of what contributes to variance in charging behaviour
  - Charging frequency
  - Day of week & seasonal effects
  - Amount of charge taken
  - Use of timers







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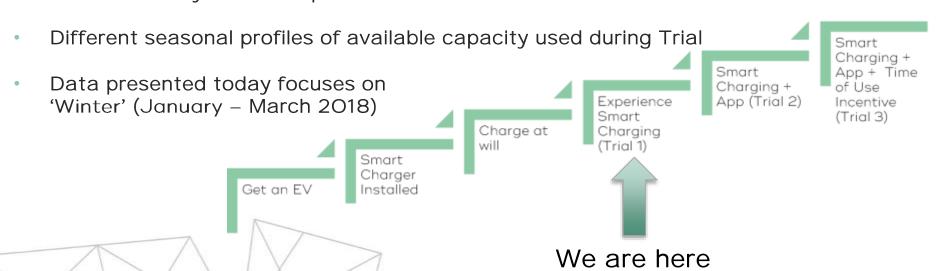






### Trial 1 Introduction

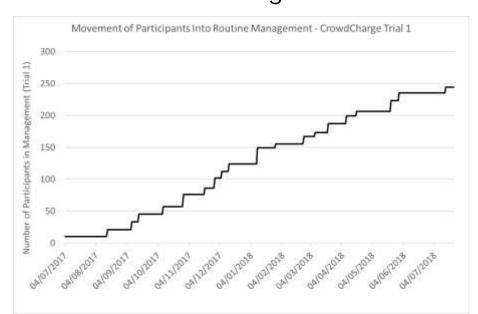
- Demand management active, with no interaction available for participants
- CrowdCharge: July 2017 to July 2018
- GreenFlux: July 2017 to April 2018

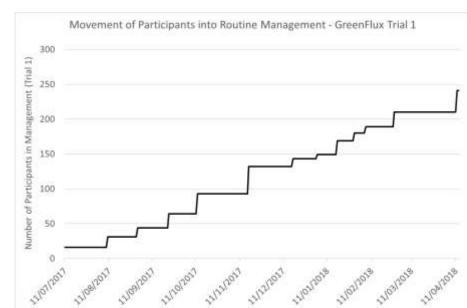




# Establishing Groups of Chargers

Chargers were moved into the management groups throughout the trial CrowdCharge GreenFlux

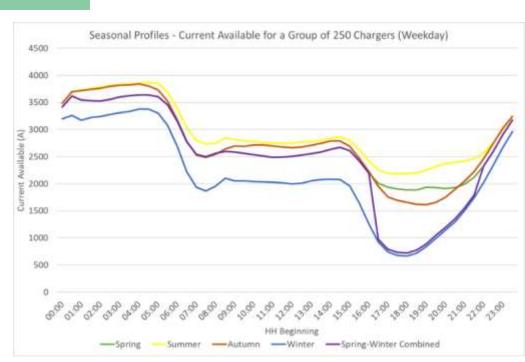






### Management Principles

- Chargers put into groups
- GreenFlux and CrowdCharge given 'capacity profiles' – the total amount of current a group of chargers could draw
- Capacity is based on real 'spare' capacity for an HV feeder in the East Midlands
- Profiles varied by season
- CrowdCharge and GreenFlux used their systems so Total Demand < Capacity Profile





### Management Principles

- 'Group Level Management': periods of time when chargers were being managed – typically the evening peak
- More restrictive than Business as Usual particularly if substations were fitted with real-time monitoring
- 'Individual Level Management': when individual charging events were constrained
- CrowdCharge and GreenFlux used different algorithms to share out the available current



### Winter Demand Profiles

- Total power drawn by groups of chargers divided by no. of chargers in the group
- 90<sup>th</sup> Percentile shown
- Profiles are restricted i.e. the size of the evening peak was constrained by capacity profiles
- CrowdCharge profiles are similar



### Winter Demand Profiles

- Peak ≈ 850W per charger.
   Timing and size of peak is due to management
- Increase in demand as overnight charging begins (people using timers)
- Weekend profile: greater daytime demand, no evening peak





### Group Level Management

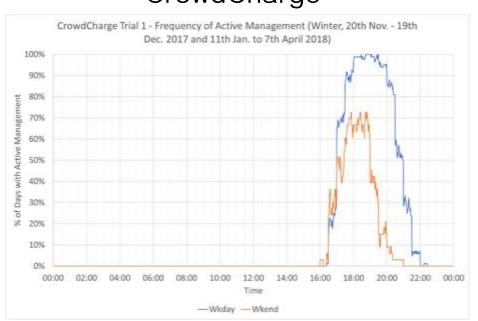
- Groups were managed when there wasn't enough capacity to give all active chargers their maximum allocation
- Most likely to happen when:
  - Capacity is lowest
  - Demand is highest
- = Weekday evening peak



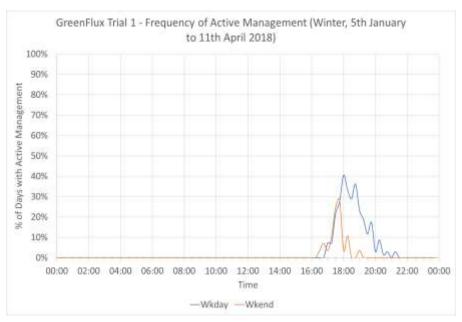


### **Group Level Management**

### CrowdCharge



#### GreenFlux





## Group Level Management – How Restrictive (CrowdCharge)

- All active chargers were given the same current allocation.
   Examples when Capacity Limit = 300A
  - 9 active chargers 9 x 32 = 288A (<300A) No Management
  - 15 active chargers each get 20A (300 ÷ 15). 16A cars aren't constrained
  - 20 active chargers each get 15A (300 ÷ 20). 16A cars are constrained
- Winter data analysed to show current available at different times of day for CrowdCharge group



## Group Level Management – How Restrictive (CrowdCharge)

### Weekday



#### Weekend





### Individual Level Management

- Participants experienced different amounts of management, e.g.:
  - Charge exclusively overnight no management
  - CrowdCharge 16A vehicle, charging in the peak managed less than a participant with a 32A car and the same behaviour
  - Charge in the middle of the day no management
- Need to understand if there is a link between 'management experience' and satisfaction with charging arrangements → 'Customer acceptability of smart charging'
- Used the meter value data to show which charge events were constrained, and how much
- CrowdCharge 8% of all Trial 1 charging events were constrained
- GreenFlux 17% of all Trial 1 charging events were constrained



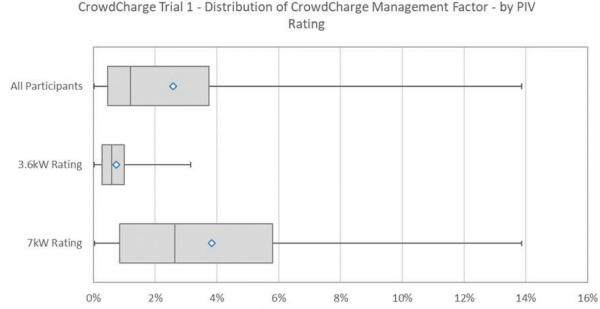
### Individual Level Management – Metrics Used

- For each charging event:
  - 'Managed' (Yes/No): binary flag to show whether the session was constrained.
     Used for both CrowdCharge and GreenFlux
  - Restriction (only for managed charging events):
    - CrowdCharge = compare the minimum possible charging time to the time actually taken
    - GreenFlux = % of the time in the charging event which was constrained
- For each participant:
  - Calculate % of their charge sessions which were managed
  - Take the median 'Restriction' value
  - Management Factor = % of Sessions Managed x Median Restriction
  - Participants who weren't managed don't have a 'Management Factor'
  - Value for CrowdCharge and GreenFlux Management Factor aren't comparable



## CrowdCharge Management Factor

- 25% of Trial 1 Participants experienced no management
- Participants with 3.6kW
   (16A) vehicles have lower
   Management Factor values
   – they experienced
   management less often, and for less time
- Considerable variation in both groups – depends on charging behaviour



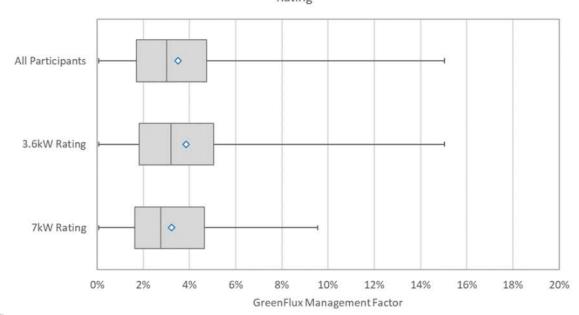
CrowdCharge Management Factor



# GreenFlux Management Factor

- 19% of Trial 1 Participants experienced no management
- 3.6kW (16A) and 7kW (32A) vehicles treated equally so a similar distribution of Management Factor
- Considerable variation in both groups – depends on charging behaviour

GreenFlux Trial 1 - Distribution of GreenFlux Management Factor - by PIV
Rating





### Trial 1 Customer Research Results – based on two engagement pieces

Survey results



### Focus group results





### Trial 1 – Many Didn't Notice/ Were Not Impacted

I never actually had reduced charging. Or if I did, I didn't know when it was happening. I never noticed it. I either didn't have it or didn't notice. But I think I generally put the car on to charge and left it on for several hours. So, I suppose it would have evened itself out in the period anyway.



## Trial 1 Vs. Baseline Charging Behaviour

 Charging behaviour has stayed relatively similar to the baseline

My charging behaviour varies considerably from day to day



My charging behaviour has a regular routine



Whenever I have access to a charger, I plug in, regardless of the level of charge of the vehicle



I will only plug in to charge when the battery is too low to complete my current/next iourney



■ Agree (4+5)





### Participant <u>Acceptability</u> With Trial 1

- Acceptability with charging arrangement
  - Scoring 8, 9 or 10 out of 10

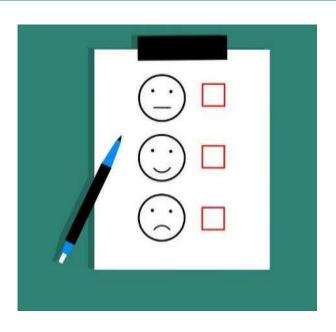
	Baseline	Trial 1
*CROWD	75%	78%
GreenFrxx Smart charging	75%	77%

I get home seven, eight o'clock in the evening, I plug my car in, I don't really mind when my car gets charged up. I don't need it invariably until seven o'clock the next morning.

I think possibly for the first couple of weeks I was thinking, 'what's going to happen?' But after that, no. It just became normal.



### Participant <u>Satisfaction</u> With Trial 1



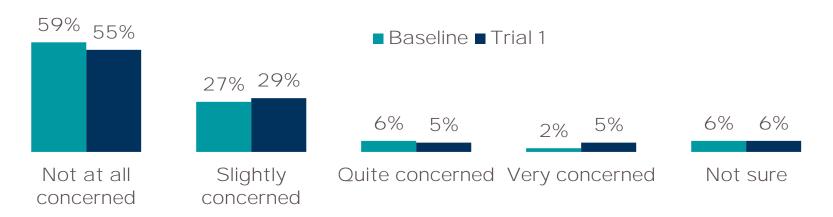
- Satisfaction with charging arrangement
  - Scoring 8, 9 or 10 out of 10

	Baseline	Trial 1
# CROWD	77%	75%
Green Smart charging	77%	74%

B8 On a scale of 1 – 10, where 1 is completely unacceptable and 10 is completely acceptable, how acceptable are your current charging arrangements? Base: All Trial (279), Baseline (498)



## Concerns About Managed Charging



- Participants are slightly more concerned about being part of the trial in comparison to the baseline, but the majority have few concerns
- 60% of Crowd Charge participants were 'not at all concerned' vs. 50% of GreenFlux

I guess it's always that concern that the one moment where you do need to quickly charge the car and you perhaps can't, that it would be frustrating. But I don't know, perhaps that moment never actually occurs.

I think it would be a concern if I desperately needed to charge and the charger was giving me twenty, thirty, forty percent charge rates. But, as I say, that's not an issue I've had through the trial. So, perhaps it's just like that range anxiety, I quess. It's just that anxiety that there's a tiny chance something like that might happen.



There's a vague possibility of something where you can see you're being demand-managed. I never knew. But that's not really vital. Just a little pretty picture somewhere.



#### Trial 1 Customer Research Results – Linking Management Factor and Satisfaction



- Participants divided into 'Never Managed' group, and four quartiles for Management Factor
- Can compare satisfaction levels in each group

Experienced more management

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Group	% of Survey Responses (% of Satisfaction Scores)		
	Dissatisfied (1 – 4)	Neutral (5 -7)	Satisfied (8 – 10)
Never Managed	О%	14%	86%
Management Factor 1st Quartile	7%	7%	86%
Management Factor 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile	5%	24%	71%
Management Factor 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile	3%	25%	72%
Management Factor 4 <sup>th</sup> Quartile	О%	27%	73%



# Trial 1 Customer Research Results – Linking Management Factor and Satisfaction



Experienced more management

Group	% of Survey Responses (% of Satisfaction Scores)		
	Dissatisfied (1 – 4)	Neutral (5 -7)	Satisfied (8 – 10)
Never Managed	0%	18%	82%
Management Factor 1st Quartile	4%	19%	77%
Management Factor 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile	О%	29%	71%
Management Factor 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile	6%	18%	76%
Management Factor 4 <sup>th</sup> Quartile	4%	11%	86%



# Trial 1 Customer Research Results – Linking Management Factor and Acceptability



Experienced more management

Group	% of Survey R	Responses (% of Scores)	Acceptability
	1 - 4	5 - 7	8 – 10
Never Managed	0%	9%	91%
Management Factor 1st Quartile	О%	14%	86%
Management Factor 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quartile	5%	19%	76%
Management Factor 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quartile	9%	25%	66%
Management Factor 4 <sup>th</sup> Quartile	0%	19%	81%



# Trial 1 Customer Research Results – Linking Management Factor and Acceptability



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Management Factor 4 <sup>th</sup> Quartile	0%	11%	89%



## Would Consumers Continue With Their Charging Arrangements?

...be willing to continue with the current charging arrangements indefinitely



...be willing to continue current charging arrangements for a limited time only



...prefer alternative charging arrangements



■ Baseline :	■ Trial 1	1
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Charger Type		
Green Flux	Crowd Charge	
87%	81%	
5%	6%	
8%	13%	



# Logic Vs. Emotive Responses

System 1

Quick, short, sharp decisions and impressions which only engage the subconscious brain. This is done using 'heuristics' which are mental shortcuts to decision making



System 2

More engaged conscious decision making process, used when your customers have more information in front of them and use the conscious part of their brain.





### Thank you for listening

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# Electric Nation V2G – Purpose of trial

- To test the effect of exporting on the LV network on neighbouring phases and substations
- Test and prove control function of the chargers using the Crowd Charge system
- Testing phase of trial running from June-September 2019
- Findings reported to be published during Autumn 2019



### Crowd Charge Bidirectional V2G charger

- UK's first mass production market ready single phase V2G charger
- 3000 units installed in Japan; converted for the UK market
  - Will operate with V2G capable versions of Nissan Leaf, eNV2OO (new models) and Outlander PHEV
- 230v, 50Hz AC single phase; 6.0kW bidirectional; CHAdeMO connection; CE certified and ENA G99 connection compliant
- Crowd Charge controller required per charger for OCPP





## Electric Nation V2G – Installations

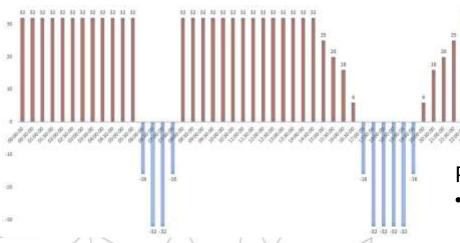
- 3 units installed for this mini-project
  - installed within WPD network area
- Comms issue in establishing a reliable WIFI connection on site
  - Roaming SIM cards installed
- Monitoring equipment installations
  - 2x Lucy Electric Gridkeys installed in substations to monitor low voltage grid data/status
  - Single phase power quality/harmonics in neighbouring phases





# Electric Nation V2G – Testing profiles

4 testing profiles to be implemented during June/July 2019, additional profiles during August/September





#### Profile V2GP001

- Reduced charging rate during evening peak
- Discharge during off peak hours (early AM)

#### Profile V2GP003

 Discharge during morning/ evening charging peaks

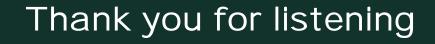


## Electric Nation V2G – Testing profiles

Profile V2GP001









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Trials 2 & 3 Findings and Observations

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#### Trial 2 Introduction

 Introduced apps so participants could interact with smart charging systems

> Smart Charger

Installed

- Demand management still active
- CrowdCharge: July to November 2018
- GreenFlux: May to October 2018

Get an EV



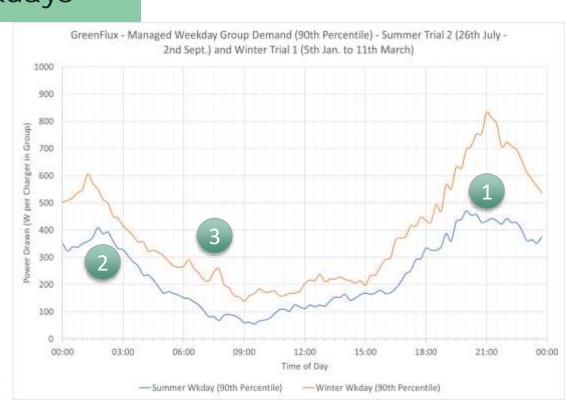
## Comparing Winter and Summer Demand

- Same approach as Trial 1 profiles
- Total power drawn by groups of chargers divided by no. of chargers in the group
- 90<sup>th</sup> Percentile shown
- Profiles are restricted i.e. the size of the evening peak was constrained by capacity profiles – for both winter and summer
- CrowdCharge profiles are similar
- Winter = 5<sup>th</sup> January 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018
- Summer = 26<sup>th</sup> July 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018



### Comparing Winter and Summer Demand - Weekdays

- Peak demand much lower (≈480W per charger, compared to 850W per charger)
- 2. Timer use continues in summer small increase in demand at O2:OO
- Less evidence of preconditioning of vehicles in the morning





#### Comparing Winter and Summer Demand - Weekend

- Weekend demand is similar shape to the winter:
  - Less pronounced evening peak
  - Higher daytime demand

 Demand is lower throughout





## Management during Trial 2

- Management principles remained the same as Trial 1 i.e. chargers constrained when there wasn't enough capacity to give all active chargers their maximum allocation
- Profile selected to ensure management still occurred
- Apps made very little difference to amount of management
- Profiles meant management experience tended to be less restrictive in Trial 2, with more participants experiencing no management at all
- Details in the final report



#### Apps - Introduction

- Introduced in Trial 2
- Allowed participants to interact with the smart charging system – entering information to influence the likelihood that their charging sessions would be managed
- CrowdCharge and GreenFlux systems were very different



#### CrowdCharge App

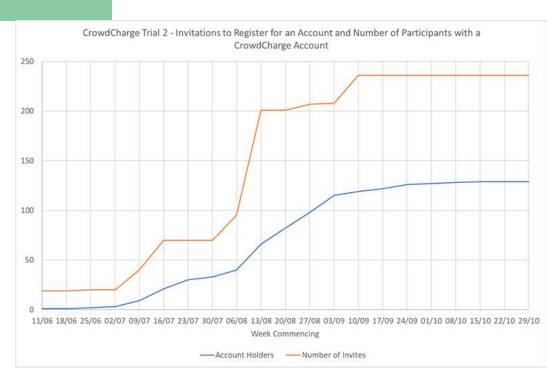
- Web based
- Participants asked to register for an account
- Could enter three types of information:
  - Regular journeys (e.g. commute)
  - One off journeys
  - State of Charge (SoC)
- Algorithm used journeys and SoC to prioritise chargers when management was active





### CrowdCharge App – Account Registrations

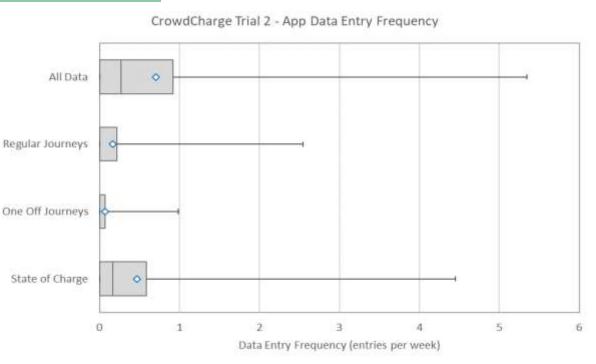
- Sign-up was optional
- 55% of participants signed up for an account (129 registrations from 236 invites)
- No clear correlation between signup rate and:
  - Battery Capacity
  - Concern about demand management
  - Charging Frequency
  - Trial 1 Management Experience





### CrowdCharge App – Data Entry

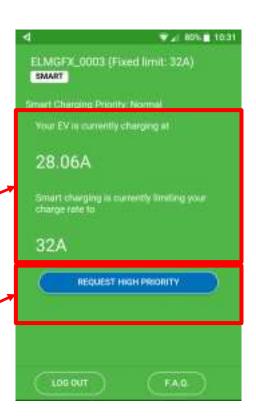
- Of 128 participants:
  - 65% entered at least one piece of data (of any type)
  - 41% entered at least one regular journey
  - 25% entered at least one 'one-off' journey
  - 57% entered State of Charge





#### GreenFlux App

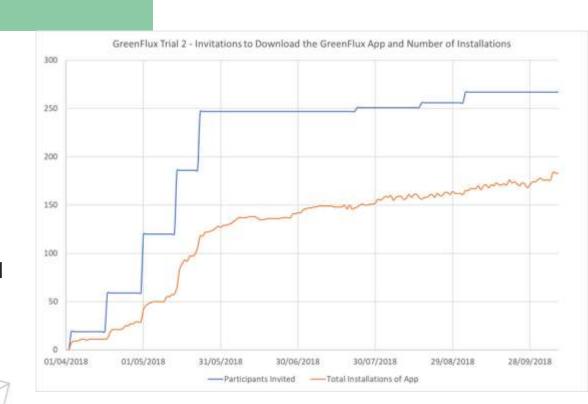
- Native iOS and Android app
- Participants sent instructions for how to download the app, and login details
- App interface:
  - Showed current being drawn and amount allocated
  - Allowed participant to select 'high priority' for their current charging session
- High priority effectively prevented them from being managed





## GreenFlux App - Downloads

- Downloading the app was optional
- App was downloaded 183 times from 267 invites = 69%
- Customer research looked at reasons why participants didn't download or use the app





### GreenFlux App – High Priority Requests during Trial 2

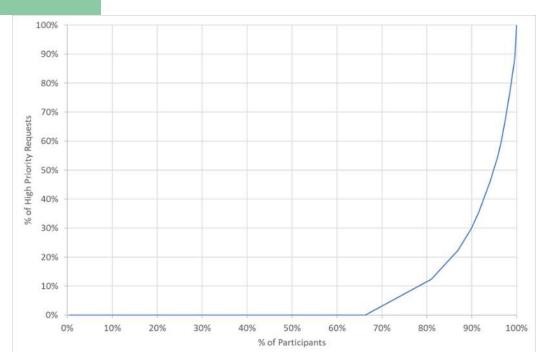
- Analysed proportion of charging sessions where high priority was requested over the duration of Trial 2
- 1st group of participants were asked to try using the app and give feedback – much higher rate
- Usage settled to approximately 3% of transactions each week





### GreenFlux App – High Priority Requests during Trial 2

- Once app use had stabilised:
  - 67% of participants made no high priority requests
  - 20% of participants responsible for 90% of requests
- Participants with vehicles with 35kWh+ batteries were more likely to use high priority
- No link between concern about management, or Trial 1 GreenFlux Management Factor and tendency to use high priority





### GreenFlux App – High Priority Requests during Trial 2

- Participants could request high priority in response to observing management, or "just in case"
- Requests more frequent on weekdays
- Clustered in the evening peak
- But requests still occurred when management was very unlikely





#### Why Did Participants Press The Button?





Pressed the button to 'test it was working'

I wanted to make sure I had the juice for the next day. Came home and need to leave again in an hour

Other reasons were often due to:

- Doing an extra trip on that particular day
- Felt their car wasn't charging fast enough

Coming home from work and needing to 'top up' to make an unscheduled trip out

Wanting to charge vehicle at full rate whilst it was being restricted as I had another journey soon



### Reassurance Came With GreenFlux's Trial 2 App

Once they'd introduced the high priority demand thing, that was fine. I could just switch it to that, and the problem went away.

Then the app came out, I could request a high priority charge. That was perfect because on the odd occasion when I do have to go straight out to work, I'd charge up for an hour and then go straight off.

Being able to go for high priority was useful a couple of times when I was going to make a longer trip and wanted to be sure that the car was ready to go when I needed it.



I could cope with the fifteen minutes or so that it stopped immediately you plugged in because I knew the car was going to get a full charge [due to the high priority button].



#### App Helps Smooth Out Concerns

#### CrowdCharge

- I had no concerns regardless of the app
- I had concerns and the app alleviates all of them
- I had concerns and the app alleviates most of them
- I had concerns and the app alleviates some of them
  - Not sure

31%

57%

8%

3%

2%

- At least 48% of GreenFlux drivers had concerns after trial 1...
- For the majority with concerns, the app solved all or most of the issues with anxiety of managing demand

#### GreenFlux

- 36%
- 25%
- 16%
- 7%
- 16%



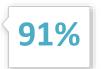
### The Majority Were Aware Of The Apps

#### CrowdCharge





#### GreenFlux





- Awareness high, although could have been higher for CrowdCharge
- 55% registered for CrowdCharge
- 69% downloaded the app for GreenFlux
- Why didn't some participants use the app?



### Reasons For Not Using The App – General Reasons









### Reasons For Not Using GreenFlux App



Happy with their charging without it

Haven't felt the need/ had the time to download it

Technical issues

"Cannot see what difference it would make to my charging routine."

"I do not use apps and do not have a smartphone."

"It doesn't work, have never seen an 'active' charge session."

"Downloaded it but there is no reason to use it, I plug in when I get home I unplug when I go to work."

"I haven't downloaded it and I can control my charging through the car using the BMW app."

"I have not been sent the access details."

"I've not needed to request a high priority charge and happy for it to be on normal priority for all my charges so far."

"Just haven't had the time to sort it out... I have an 11 month old son!!" "I found the app by chance on the App Store and downloaded it but I've never been sent the code?"



### Reasons for not using CrowdCharge app

High effort without the return

"It looked very complicated and I cant see any benefits."

"It takes to long to tap all the information in and monitor what is going on with the car etc. time is too precious."

"Too time consuming to set up and input all the required information. I have an app for my car so I can set charging plans remotely."

Planning to use it but haven't had time yet

"Not got around to completing the set up of the App."

"Not got round to it yet. Will download it now as it sounds useful."

"I signed up to it and that's as far as I got and it all got bit hectic"



Technical issues

"I can't get logged on despite several attempts. I have contacted the right sources and mentioned this but not had feedback."

"Can't work out how to use it."

"Not an app as I would describe, need to go on to web browser rather than an actual app, not very convenient."



#### Ease Of Using The Apps





B23 How easy do you find using the app? Base: All app users: 58 B23 How easy do you find using the app? Base: 150



#### Thoughts On CrowdCharge Overall – Effort High For Users



[Registration] Pretty easy, no problem at all.

I don't use apps at all. I have a very old model of iPhone so, I don't bother with any apps whatsoever.

I didn't download the app because I wasn't aware it had actually ever become available.



Easy to register but high effort to use

The only way I could setup journeys was on an ad-hoc basis and I just didn't see a huge amount of necessity really it was often knowing I needed to head out with five, ten, twenty minutes' notice so, it didn't really serve any purpose.

It was a bit fiddly to have to load in one-off journeys and I just stopped bothering, to be honest.



#### Additional Features Participants Would Have Liked Included On The App



See previous charging history/patterns



Access the app when car not charging



Current state (%) of charge while charging



Cost of current and past charging



Proper / better designed app (not website) - CrowdCharge



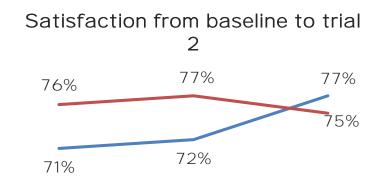
Less information needed each time app is opened

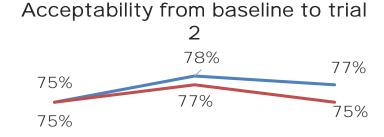


Compatible with car/ telematics



### Trial 2: Satisfaction And Acceptability





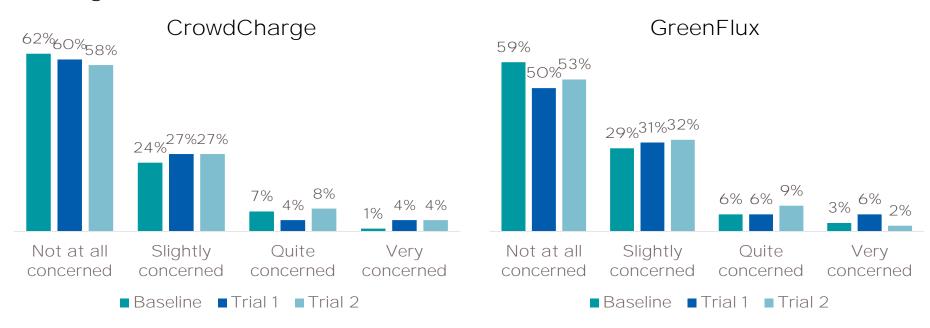


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#### Most Remain Unconcerned About Having Their Charging Arrangements Managed

**85%** of participants had **no or only slight** concerns





# Trial 2 Customer Research Results – App Usage and Satisfaction (GreenFlux)



Participants divided based on their usage of the high priority feature during Trial 2

Group	% of Survey Responses (% of Satisfaction Scores)			
	Dissatisfied (1 – 4)	Neutral (5 -7)	Satisfied (8 – 10)	
No high priority requests made	7%	16%	77%	
High Priority used for less than 5.8% of charging events	0%	22%	78%	
High Priority used for more than 5.8% of charging events	10%	26%	64%	



# Trial 2 Customer Research Results – App Usage and Acceptability (GreenFlux)



Participants divided based on their usage of the high priority feature during Trial 2

Group	% of Survey Responses (% of Acceptability Scores)			
	1 – 4	5 – 7	8 – 10	
No high priority requests made	9%	14%	77%	
High Priority used for less than 5.8% of charging events	3%	22%	75%	
High Priority used for more than 5.8% of charging events	10%	21%	69%	



# Trial 2 Customer Research Results – App Usage and Acceptability (CrowdCharge)



Participants divided based on their usage of the CrowdCharge app during Trial 2

Group	% of Survey Responses (% of Acceptability Scores)			
	1 - 4	5 -7	8 – 10	
No app account	3%	13%	84%	
Had an account, didn't enter data	О%	13%	88%	
Had an account, did enter data	1%	22%	77%	





#### Trial 3 Introduction

 Introduced a time of use tariff understand how this might change charging behaviour – ToU tariffs are becoming more common (and more complex)

Charge at

will

Apps updated – designed to support users to change their behaviour

Smart Charaer

Installed

- Demand management still active
- CrowdCharge: November and December 2018

Get an EV

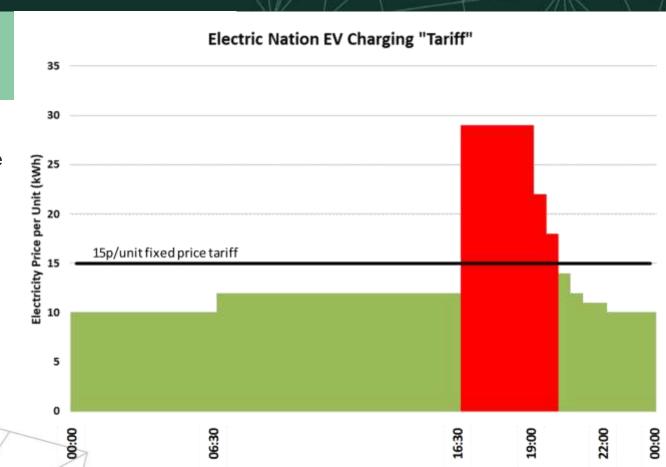
GreenFlux: October to December 2018





# Time of Use Tariff

- Tariff based on historical prices from Octopus Agile
- Used by both CrowdCharge and GreenFlux
- Applied to EV charging only
- "Savings" passed onto participants as an Amazon Voucher at the end of the trial





### Trial 3 Approach

- Algorithm updated to take account of tariff and charge at lowest price possible
- Example: plug in at 18:00, enter state of charge and have a planned journey departing 8:30 the next morning – charging is shifted to overnight (cheap rate)



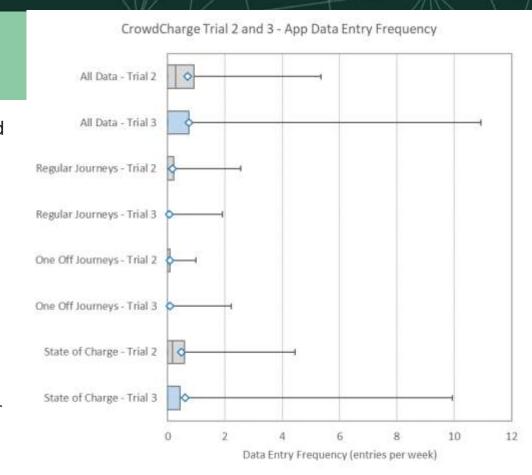


- App updated to give customers a "set and forget" charging preference:
  - 'Optimise Time' (default) charge at all times, regardless of price
  - 'Minimise Cost' charging paused between 16:30 and 22:00
  - 'Optimise Time and Cost' charging paused between 16:30 and 19:00
- Example: plug in at 18:00, with app set to "minimise cost". Charger pauses charging until 22:00



# CrowdCharge Trial 3 – Data Entry

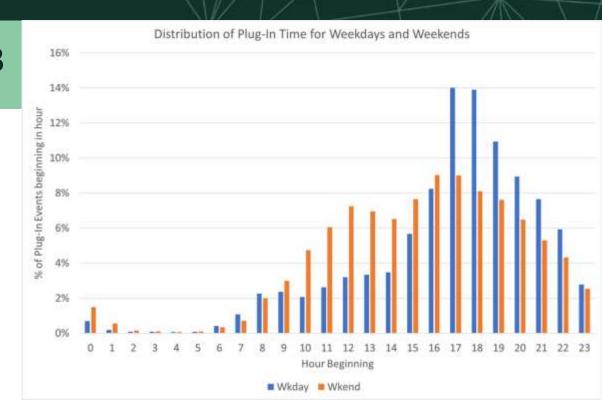
- Participants needed to be registered for an app account to be eligible for a Trial 3 reward
- Reward incentivised 17 extra people to sign-up:
  - Trial 2 sign-up rate = 55%
  - Trial 3 sign-up rate = 64%
- Participants were encouraged to enter data to maximise their reward value
- Frequency of data entry declined for most participants between Trial 2 and Trial 3





### CrowdCharge Trial 3

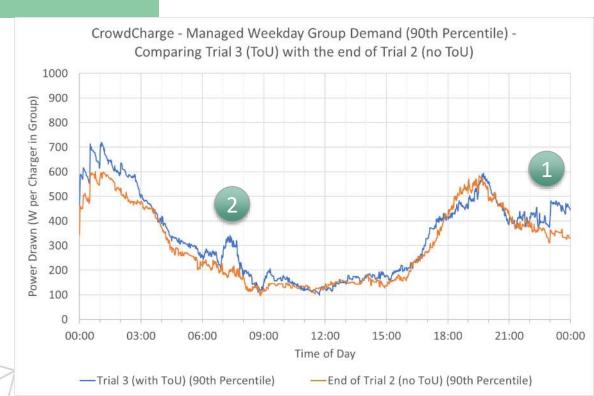
- For the algorithm to schedule charging a journey plans was needed
- Without a planned journey, system assumed next journey was 50 miles, leaving 4 hours after plug-in
- Low data entry frequency led to assumption being made too regularly
- Early evening plug-ins without a planned journey led to peak time charging





# CrowdCharge Trial 3 – Results

- Minimal change in the demand profile between the last month of Trial 2 (October/November) and Trial 3 (November/December)
- Demand management continued in Trial 3
- Evidence of some charge sessions starting once offpeak rate had begun
- Morning pre-heating has reappeared (seasonal effect)





#### GreenFlux Trial 3

GreenFrxx Smart charging

- App was updated to make it easy for participants to move their charging away from the peak
- 82% of participants downloaded the app by the end of Trial 3 (69% at end of Trial 2)
- High Priority requests continued at ≈ 3% of charge events throughout Trial 3 (despite no management occurring)





# GreenFlux Trial 3 – Impact on Demand Profile

- Evening peak around half of previous value – no demand management necessary
- Large increase in demand at the start of off-peak price
- Overnight demand slightly higher until about 3:30

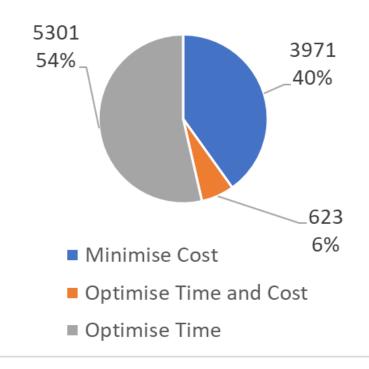




## GreenFlux Trial 3 – Headline Stats

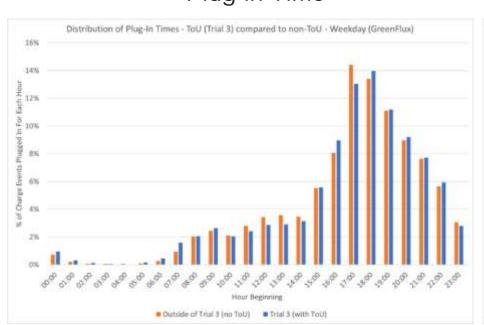
- 9,985 charging events
- 246 participants charged during Trial 3:
  - 53% used Minimise Cost at least once
  - 14% used Optimise Time and Cost at least once
  - 86% used Optimise Time at least once
- Average reward value = £21
  - 77% of participants got a reward of more than £10 (the starting value)
  - 12% got £10
  - 11% got a reward of less than £10
  - 2 participants got nothing

## Charging Preference Used (by number of charge events)

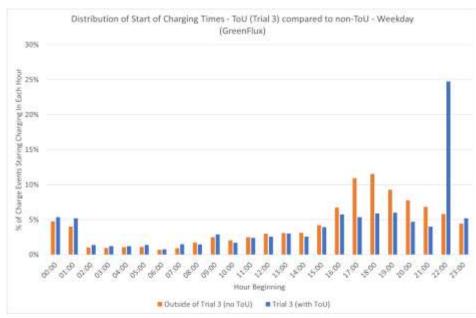




#### Plug in Time



#### Start of Charging Time





App Users – participants who used a 'non-default' profile at least once = 61% of Trial
 3 Participants

Non App Users – all their charging sessions were on 'Optimise Time' (the default) =

39% of Trial 3 Participants

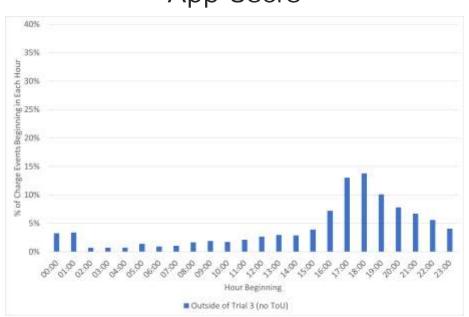
 For each participant, compare % of their charge events starting in the Weekday Evening Peak during Trial 3, and for the rest of the trial

Group	Trial 3 vs. Outside Trial 3 - % of Events Starting in Wkday Evening Peak		
	Lower %	Equal %	Higher %
All Participants	77%	1%	22%
'App Users'	89%	О%	11%
'Non-App Users'	57%	3%	39%

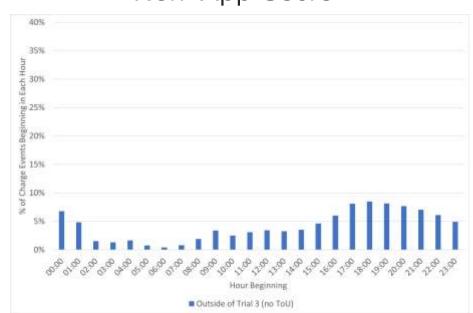


### % of Charge Events Beginning in Each Hour – Before Trial 3

#### App Users

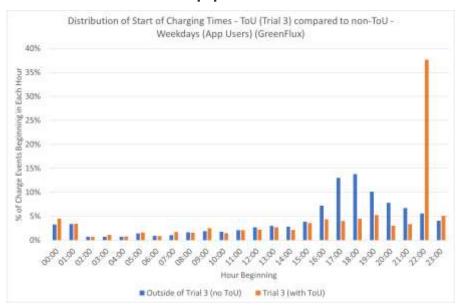


#### Non-App Users



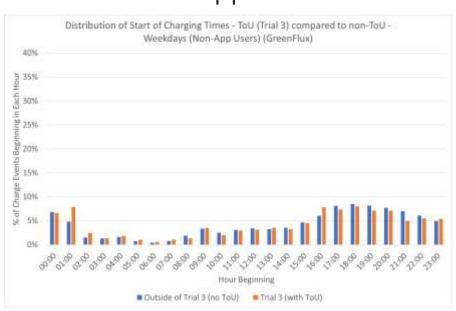


#### App Users



### Now compare the change in Trial 3

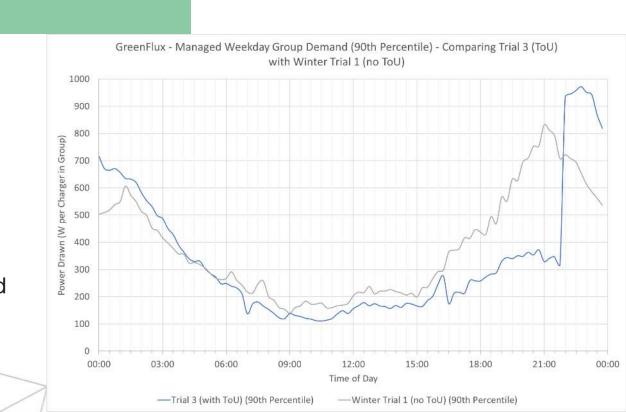
#### Non-App Users





#### GreenFlux Trial 3 Results

- Smart charging and apps can make it easy for drivers to change their behaviour
- Extra detail in the report – including what influences whether people use the app, and what preference they chose





## Ease Of Understanding The Reward Structure



43% found the charging preference reward structure easy to understand



88% found the charging preference reward structure easy to understand



#### CrowdCharge Registrations Up From Trial 2, But Not By A Significant Amount



64%

Registered for the Crowd Charge app

 Reasons for not registering are mainly due to technical issues and lack of understanding surrounding the relevance of the app Why didn't you register for the app?

"I couldn't understand it, It's too much trouble and I don't have data on my phone."

"I was worried that it would interfere with my Nissan app which also schedules charging times and pre-heating for the car."

"Issues with registering my make of vehicle."

"I believed I would have to enter all my journeys into it manually."



## Trial 3 appealed to different users for different reasons

I think there were a couple of occasions when I held off plugging in the car at six p.m. and plugged it in at maybe nine p.m. instead, and then it would start charging straightaway.



It wasn't really the driver for doing it. So, it was like, 'that's nice' rather than anything special.

I think I probably had a little burst [of inputting data] after the reward mechanism was announced, but that's about it. Nothing continuous or special.

I wanted a new mandolin and so, I set the car, in the car, to only charge between midnight and six a.m. And it seemed to work quite well and didn't cause me any problems. And I bought a new mandolin.



#### CrowdCharge – Trial 3 Did Encourage Some To Change Their Behaviour, But Not The Majority



How have you changed charging behaviour?

23%

Have changed charging behaviour because of ToU

"I have plugged it in later rather than as soon as I get in from work." "Generally waiting until off peak hours to plug car in when at home."

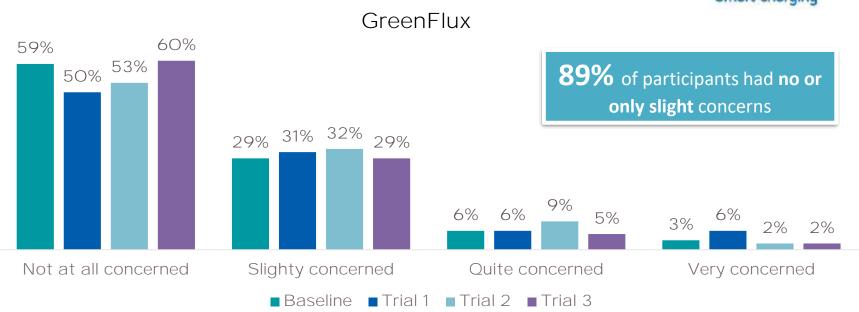
"I stopped charging during the day if I didn't need to."

"I'm on a single rate tariff for our electricity supply, but this incentive has made me switch on the 'off peak only' charging setting for the car."



## GreenFlux – Any Concerns With Managed Charging



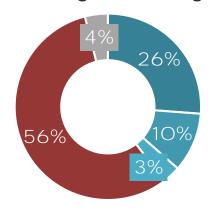




## Changing Charging Preference - GreenFlux

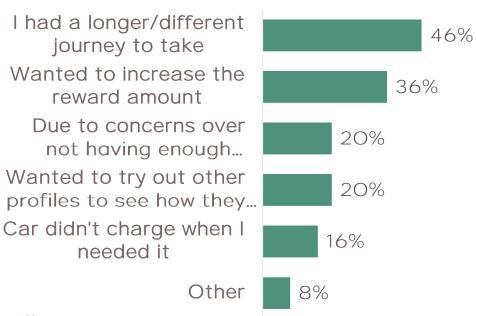


#### Did you change the charge profile?



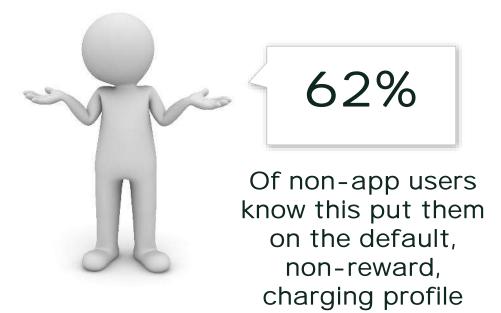
- Yes once
- Yes 2-3 times
- Yes more than 3 times
- No
- Don't Know







# GreenFlux – Some Don't Mind Paying More





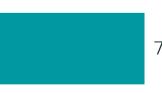
- Of those that didn't use the GreenFlux app, most knew they were automatically put on the default profile
- Around a third said they were unaware of the rewards system



### More Popular Charging Profile



Minimise Cost – restricting the charging to between 10pm and 4.30pm



75%

We set both cars to, like, ten-thirty at night knowing full well they would charge by the morning. We made about thirty-eight pounds, I think, altogether, generally. It did change my behaviour because I still have the timer on the car.

Optimise Time &
Cost – avoiding
charge at peak times
but charging can
occur between 7pm...



The few times I had to use the high priority, but I was prepared for that to effectively cost me as opposed to the rewards because I wanted the functionality. I wanted the car charged.

Optimise Time – charging all times of the day regardless of the price

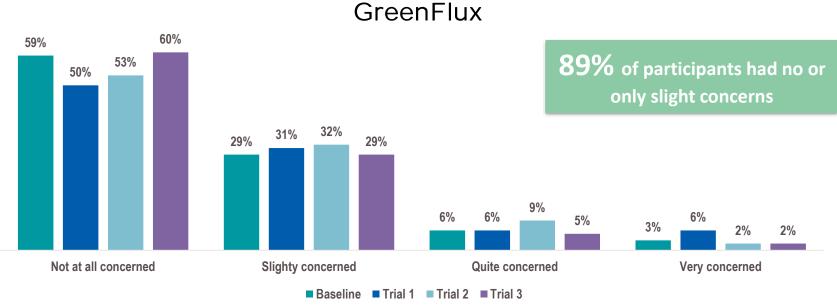


I only tend to charge at home when I actually really do need some extra charge. So, I think I would always be pressing the high priority button.



## GreenFlux – Any Concerns With Managed Charging







# Potential Improvements To The Rewards System

There's more incentive to do something if you're giving them money than actually giving a discount. Because I think having that discount, it's taken away in your bill and at the end of the bill, you don't see it. But if there was an app that showed you how much discount you were going to get as you went along, that would be great. *GreenFlux* 

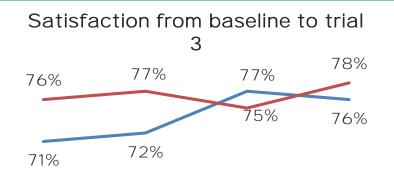
I would look at it the other way around. I think there ought to be penalties for peak-time charging or for habitual peak-time charging if it's not necessary. *GreenFlux* 

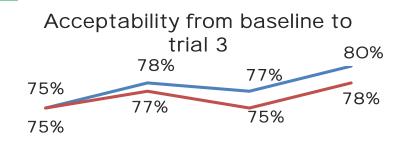
I think just an occasional Amazon discount voucher, or something is nice but it's not a general motivator and it's just an extra complication really. Whereas if you're looking at the electricity bill and you can see you paid this much and we got this much discount because it's demandmanaged, that's where I'd notice it. CrowdCharge

Every single charging network seems to want something on your phone, when really you could just do a contactless payment or, in the case of this app, it ought to be a button on the charger. Because it is a one-button app. So, I'd rather see it built in to the charger than have to install yet another thing on my phone. *GreenFlux* 



#### Satisfaction And Acceptability Throughout The Project





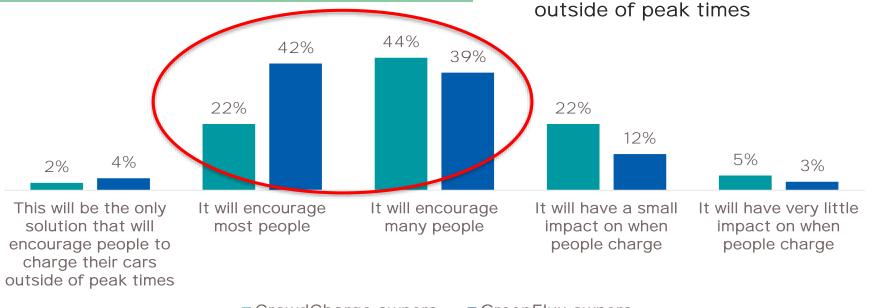


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If A Similar App/ Scheme Was Available, Would It Encourage Others To Change At Different Times?

The vast majority believe that charging preferences will help encourage drivers to charge outside of peak times



CrowdCharge owners

■ GreenFlux owners

B30. To what extent do you think the charging preference will encourage EV drivers to charge their cars outside of peak times? Base for those that used the app to change or review their charging preferences: 106 B30. To what extent do you think the charging preference will encourage EV drivers to charge their cars outside of peak times? Base: those that have used the app to either enter journeys, review charge point usage or entered state of charge 41.





### Thank you for listening

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Conclusions from the trial

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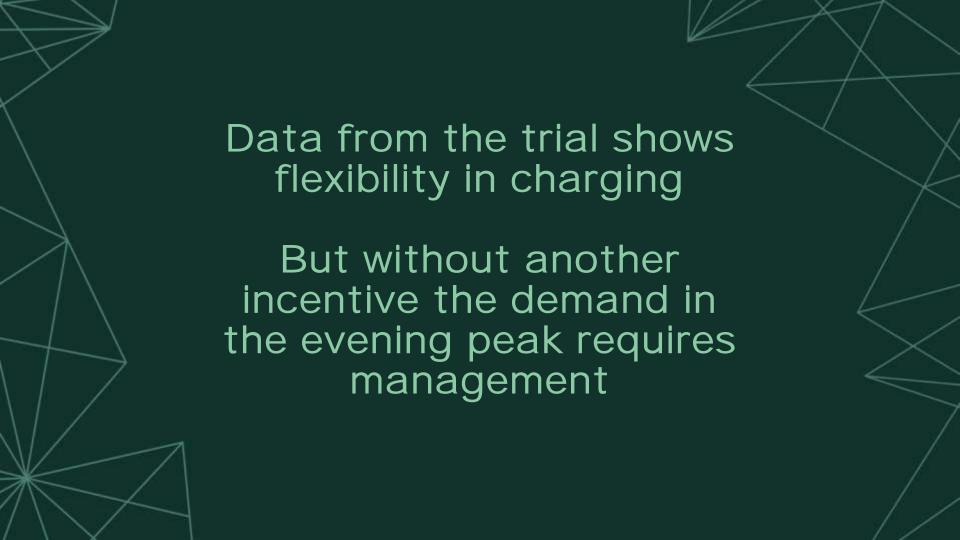










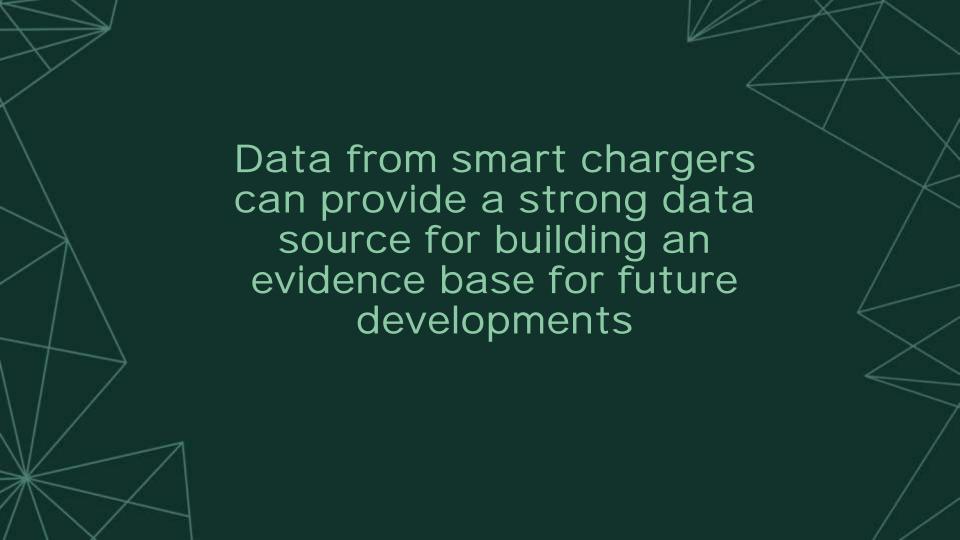




Trial data shows that Time of Use incentives appear to be highly effective at moving demand away from the evening peak Particularly when supported by smart charging (with an app), which makes it simple

## Smart charging can:

- Support the introduction and management of ToU based charging
- Provide a means to manage any negative consequences of mass uptake of ToU incentives





### Thank you for listening



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WPD's EV Strategy and what comes next

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# Forecasts and the changing horizon

- Our forecasts for Electric Vehicle adoption predict around 37,000 across our region now rising to 3,064,000 in 2030.
- In simple terms, each Electric Vehicle uses the same kWhs of energy per year as a standard domestic home.
- The What Car "Car of the Year" for 2019 being the Kia e-Niro and it being described as "sensibly priced" and will "fit into most people's lives".
- We also predict price parity in 2021 or 2022 and a step change in car ownership.



# Electric Vehicle Strategy Document

- Our first Electric Vehicle strategy document was issued in March 2019. It covers areas including;
  - Our forecasts and assumptions
  - Technical considerations
  - Stakeholder Engagement
  - Our plans to support connections
  - Innovation Projects
  - Transitioning to Business as Usual
- Throughout 2019 we will create shorter customer-specific documents for the different stakeholders involved with Electric Vehicles.



# Making use of existing capacity

- We predict that many of our local transformers would support one 35kWh charge every five days for each connected customer
- 35kWh equates to around 150 miles range in many EVs
- The DoT National Transport Survey 2017 sets average annual mileage for all cars at 7,800 miles (and dropping).
- We will continue to identify heavily loaded assets and hotspots, and uprate them through the normal reinforcement process.
- We will publish a heat map showing our ability to support charging at a local transformer level



### Flexibility in Charging

- Electric Nation framed our plans for managed charging and flexibility.
   These were developed further at our stakeholder events
- We expect to see four levels of flexibility
  - Time of use tariffs
  - "Network Sympathetic" EV Tariffs
  - DSO procured flexibility services (Flexible Power)L
  - LV Active Network Management (ANM) solutions
  - as a backstop
- Where appropriate reinforce the network



### Stakeholder Engagement

- Local Authority events held in 2018 with 130 participants
- OLEV work following the EU changes to the Building Performance Regulations.
- Our "Superfast Electricity" projects have been developed with Welsh Government support
- The Renewable Energy Association have featured our plans to increase house service cable designs
- We have developed our plans for fuel stations based on advice from the Petrol Retailers Association



# Accommodating EV demands

- At a domestic level we will use Electric Nation results and plan to install three phase services as a minimum standard
- On our low voltage network we expect to connect streetside chargers and also offer single high capacity charger connections at fuel stations.
- Using bespoke transformers we will connect Hub charging for cark parks, and also connect multiple high capacity chargers. We will also connect some depot charging installations
- Using HV connections we will connect larger charger installations and high capacity depot chargers, such as bus depots



### **Future Innovation Projects**

- Electric Vehicle filling stations will look at options to provide capacity at concentrated charging locations
- On street charging will work with local authorities to provide solutions on existing streets. This may include the provision of a dedicated EV charging mains cable in the street and triggers for reinforcement
- Smart Homes (Electric Vehicle and storage) will use data from homes in the Superfast Electricity trial and establish how overall grid use could be reduced by the combined effect of LCTs
- Hub Charging will develop a transformer solution that can be deployed in areas where multiple chargers are planned, such as car parks.



#### **Publications and Advice**

- Our Strategy and all related documents
  - hhtps://www.westernpower.co.uk/electric-vehicles
- Guide on electric vehicle charging and DNO engagement for local authorities
  - https://www.westernpower.co.uk/downloads/15766
- Getting electric vehicles moving guide
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