







2021 highlights

Themes and publications

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Opening Flexibility markets 	Flexibility roadmap published		Flexibility figures published	Common evaluation methodology adopted nationally Standard Agreement Evolution report published		Technical Specification for a Baseline Verification Tool for use by flexibility providers	Full 2021 Flexibility figures with both historical and forward looking data Britain breaks network flexibility record with 45% more contracted than in 2020	Flexibility consultation Flexibility consultation webinar V2 of Standard Agreement for procurement of flexibility, aligning DNO and ESO procurement for the first time	Public consultation on V2 Standard Agreement for procurement of flexibility Standard Agreement consultation webinar	Summary of stakeholder feedback on LIFO mechanism and proposed caps-and-collars method ANM curtailment apportionment Internal proposals for further development of Carbon Value and flexibility Option Value in the CEM	Stakeholder engagement Update CEM including Carbon Value being published in Jan-22 Updated (post-consultation) V2 of Standard Agreement for procurement of flexibility	ANM exit guidance for network customers Primacy principles for network coordination and cooptimisation Improving Curtailment Information 2021 summary, including a gap analysis of DNO provided curtailment information Flexibility and Standard Agreement consultation responses published
DSO transition 			DSO Implementation Plan Q1 full update				Potential Conflicts of Interest & Unintended Consequences Q2 full update					
Whole System efficiencies 		Whole System Cost-Benefit Analysis model incorporated into Ofgem Coordinated Adjustment Mechanism (CAM) consultation	Identification and engagement of early users of the Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) tool	Continual monitoring of CBA users for feedback to further develop the tool throughout 2021	Engagement of 119 different local authorities to seek input on the regional data repository and a potential Whole System optioneering service	Network-led repository of regional local authority data for sharing amongst networks	Outcomes from stakeholder engagement on a potential local Whole System optioneering service			Horizon scanning and scoping activity to understand how networks can support LAEPs, setting out how ON will work with Energy Systems Catapult on this	Whole System optioneering service early design and resource requirements	Whole System Cost-Benefit Analysis methodology key learnings and next steps Local authority data alignment recommendations paper
Transmission and Distribution collaboration 							Defined use cases and volumes for operational Distributed Energy Resources visibility & monitoring Shortlist of datasets and their use cases and benefits for operational data sharing	Network Capacity Signposting reports published by DNOs		Stakeholder engagement on DNO published Network Capacity Signposting reports to inform Network Development Plan (NDP) process		"Best View" Scenario for network forecasting; description and justification criteria Network Development Plans Form of Statement Template & end to end process Operational Distributed Energy Resource visibility & monitoring baseline functional specification Operational Data Sharing implementation plan Proposed coordination register format (Form of Statement)
Customer connections 			Stakeholder engagement to identify user commitment improvements				Updated Queue Management user guide Queue Management implementation Internal process to develop format and proposal for inclusion of assets <1MW in the ECR			Updated and improved Embedded Capacity Register (ECR) including additional information for Transmission		Connection Agreement Review to determine scope for potential further development Implementation Plan for inclusion of assets down to 50kW in the Embedded Capacity Register (ECR)
Industry engagement 	2021 Work Plan consultation Launch of 2021 Work Plan, consultation and 2020 End of Year Review DSO Implementation plan webinar	Baseline Methodologies webinar 2021 Work Plan consultation webinar	Non-DSO services stakeholder workshops Advisory Group New programme chair announced, Sotiris Georgiopoulos, taking over from Nigel Turvey	DSO Implementation Plan webinar Community Energy Forum: 'Getting our networks to Net Zero' Common Evaluation Methodology (CEM) tool webinar	2021 Work Plan published ON took part in Utility Week Live Queue Management webinar Advisory Group Letter to Rt Hon Philip Dunne MP on removing the barriers to the development of community energy	Community Energy Fortnight - blog and video Industry engagement to inform sharing of ANM curtailment information	Community Energy Forum: 'Communities in our future energy system' Advisory Group	Conflicts of Interest and Unintended Consequences refresher workshop ON took part in Power Responsive Summer Event Letter to Alan Whitehead MP regarding flexibility figures	Business Green X Open Networks webinar Two new stakeholder engagement groups proposed to key stakeholders ON took part in Network Asset Performance Conference 2021 Advisory Group	2022 Work Plan consultation ON took part in ISGAN event Applications opened for two new stakeholder engagement groups - Challenge Group and Dissemination Forum Energy Networks Innovation Conference (ENIC)	Final Advisory Group	