## REC Party Engagement Day 2025

30 September 2025



## Welcome

## **Your Hosts**



Rachael Anderson

Director of Corporate Affairs



Paul Rocke
Head of Communications

## Housekeeping

- A 15-minute break and a 45-minute lunch are planned
- Please stay for drinks & networking after the surgeries
- No fire alarm test is expected today
- You can use the Slido QR code on your leaflet on your table to ask questions at any time—add your name if you'd like. All survey feedback will be anonymous.



## Agenda

Welcome

Overview of RECCo & Retail Energy Code

O3 Code Management Services

O4 Code Reform & Licence

O5 Consumer
Consent Solution

O6 Surgery Drop-In Sessions

Optional Networking & Refreshments

## Our focus today

#### Aims: the direction

- Share updates on Code Reform and Consumer Consent — the topics you told us matter most
- Strengthen relationships across the REC community and with the collective RECCo team

#### Objectives: the actions

- Hear your insight and feedback to help shape plans and priorities
- Take part in joint conversations on Code Reform and Consumer Consent
- Join informal topical surgeries to ask questions and share your views
- Network with peers and colleagues to build connections and support collaboration



## Overview RECCo

Rachael Anderson | Director of Corporate Affairs

## **REC Objectives**



#### **Perform**

To ensure the REC operates and evolves in a manner that facilitates the achievement of its mission statement



#### **Protect**

To ensure customers' interests and data are protected in the operation of the REC



#### **Progress**

To drive continuous improvements and efficiencies in the operation of the REC and the central systems and communication infrastructures it governs

## Making the REC work for you

#### Designing, procuring & managing the quality delivery of REC Services

**REC Services** 

Code Manager

**Metering Auditor** 

**Enquiry Services** 

**Central Switching Service** 

Green Deal

**Data Services** 

**Energy Theft Reduction** 

#### **Focusing on Stakeholders**

Delivery informed by lessons from past code arrangements

#### **Collaborating**

A unified approach to service management

#### **Value Making Decisions**

Value-driven changes to improve service and reduce costs



Centralised visibility across all service providers

#### Setting Mission & Strategy

Clearly aligned with REC objectives

#### **Defining Service Scope**

Clear understanding of requirements

#### **Managing Contracts**

Active oversight on behalf of the industry

**REC Parties** 

**Service Users** (non REC Parties)

## Timeline

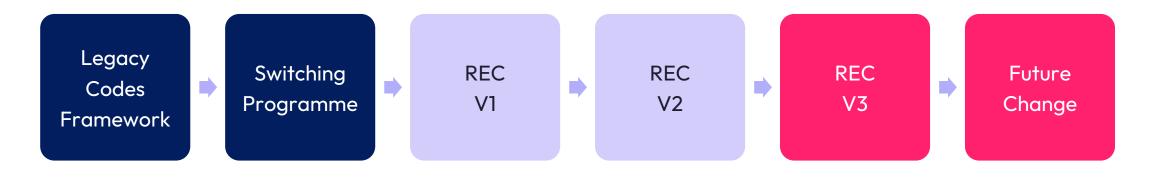
2019	<ul> <li>Retail Energy Code Company (RECCo) set up by Ofgem to implement and manage the Retail Energy Code (REC)</li> </ul>
2021	RECCo's Code Manager Service goes live     (Retail Code Consolidation in place)
2022	<ul> <li>REC introduces new switching arrangements</li> <li>RECCo is responsible for administering the Market Stabilisation Charge (MSC)</li> <li>RECCo publishes Theft Estimation Methodology Report</li> </ul>
2023	<ul> <li>RECCo consolidates Metering Codes of Practice</li> <li>RECCo launches Data &amp; Digitalisation Strategy</li> </ul>
2024	<ul> <li>Market Stabilisation Charge scheme ends (March 2024)</li> <li>RECCo launches Pre-Payment Meter Levelisation scheme</li> </ul>
2025	<ul> <li>RECCo appointed as delivery body for Consumer Consent Solution</li> <li>REC to host new Tariff Interoperability Standard (under DESNZ's Smart Secure Electricity System programme)</li> </ul>



## The REC & Code Management Services

Paul Rocke | Head of Communications

## **About the REC**









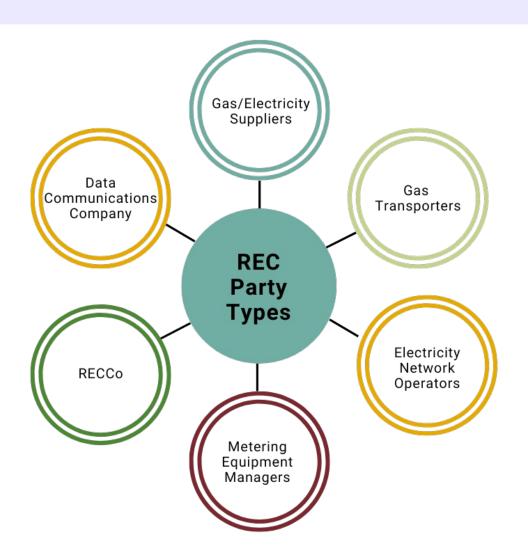








### **REC Parties**



#### Did you know?

You can access the REC Party Register via the Organisation Management navigation bar on the REC Portal

**AMI** = Advanced Meter Installer

**EMO** = Electricity Metering Operative

## **Code Manager Services**

Change Management

Performance Assurance & Dashboards

**Accession & Withdrawal** 

Sandbox & Derogation

Operational Account Management

...all underpinned by the REC Portal

# REC Account Management How can we help?

Shelley Rouse - Head of Stakeholder Engagement

### Meet the Operational Account Management (OAM) team



Kev Duddy Lead OAM



Shane Denny REC Party OAM



Eve Marriner REC Party OAM



Elise Handy REC Service User OAM

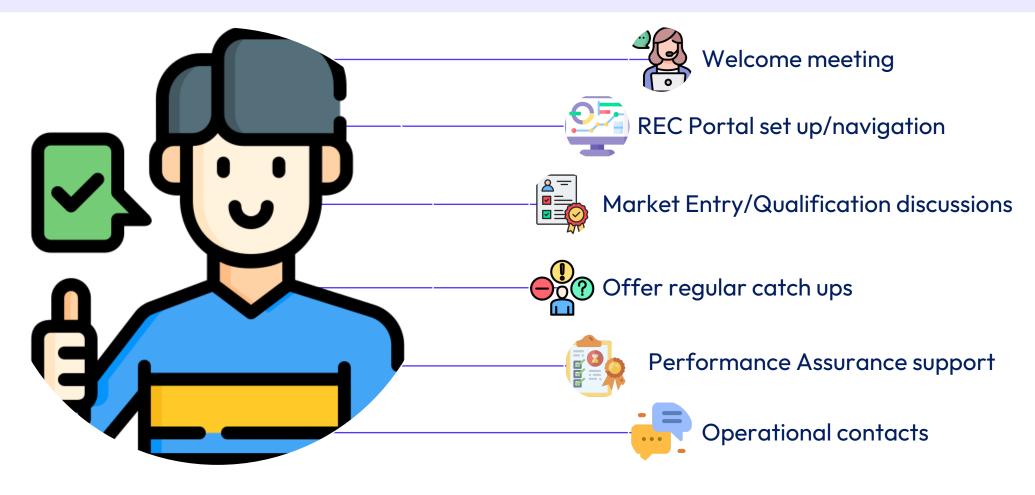


Carl
Dennis
REC Party
OAM



Marcello Cecchini REC Party OAM

## Operational Account Management



Note: All REC Parties, Non-Party REC Service Users, and Voluntary Code of Practice TPIs have an Operational Account Manager (OAM) appointed at the point of application.

## OAM Team Portfolios comprise



**429 REC Parties** 



300 (approx.) Non-Party REC Service Users



**49 Voluntary CoP TPIs** 

#### Comprising:

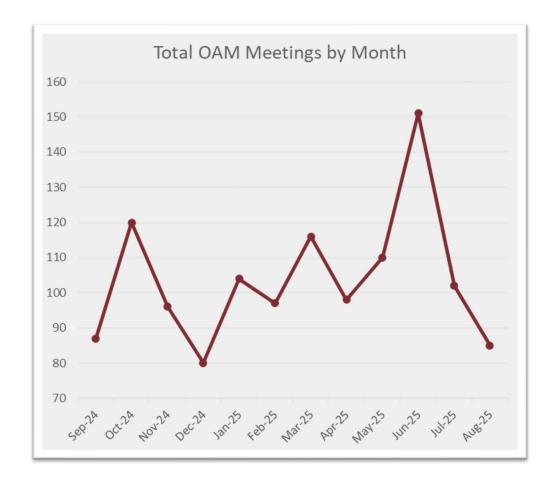
- Domestic Suppliers
- Non-domestic Suppliers
- Gas Transporters
- Distribution Network Operators
- Metering Equipment Managers
- **Approved Meter Installers**
- **Electricity Metering** Operatives
- The DCC

#### Including:

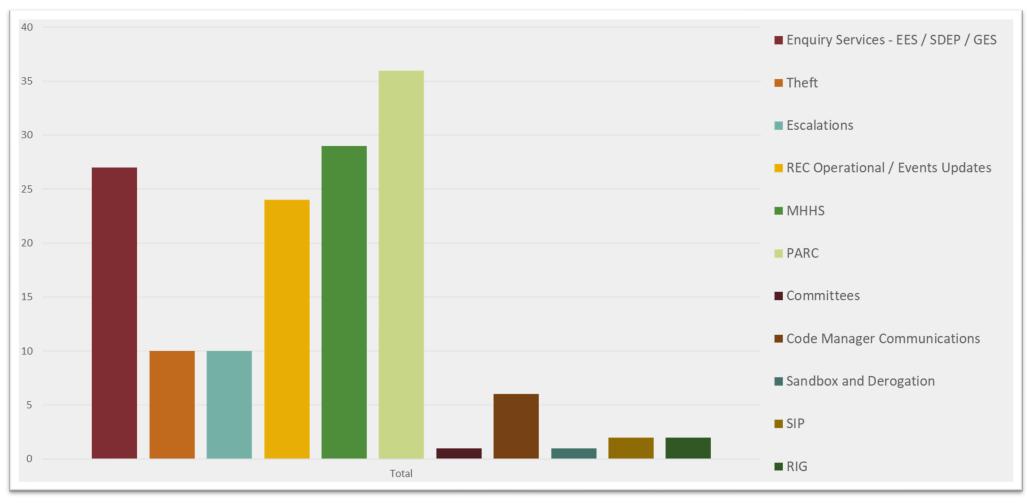
- Shippers
- MAPs
- ECO4 providers

## How can the OAM team support you?

- REC Parties can choose to engage with their
   OAM in a way that best suits their needs. Many
   REC Parties meet with their OAM every month
   (or more frequently), while others prefer to
   communicate via email when required
- OAMs have held over 3,000 meetings with their REC Parties since 2022



## How can the OAM team support you?



<sup>\*</sup>Total 85 meetings with OAM Parties and Non-Party REC Service Users

## Other ways to engage

- Service Desk: <a href="mailto:enquiries@recmanager.co.uk">enquiries@recmanager.co.uk</a>
- REC Portal: <u>www.recportal.co.uk</u>
  - Service Desk & Webchat: <a href="https://recportal.co.uk/service-desk-landing">https://recportal.co.uk/service-desk-landing</a>
  - REC Wiki: <a href="https://recportal.co.uk/rec-wiki-landing">https://recportal.co.uk/rec-wiki-landing</a>
  - REC AI Tool ERIN: <a href="https://digital-navigator.azurewebsites.net/erin">https://digital-navigator.azurewebsites.net/erin</a>
- REC Issues Group: <a href="https://recportal.co.uk/web/rec-issues-group">https://recportal.co.uk/web/rec-issues-group</a>
- Change Issues Group: <a href="https://recportal.co.uk/web/change-issues-group">https://recportal.co.uk/web/change-issues-group</a>
- Other REC Committees: <a href="https://recportal.co.uk/group/guest/committee-management">https://recportal.co.uk/group/guest/committee-management</a>
- REC Portal User Group: <u>REC Portal Relaunch Retail Energy Code Company</u>
- RECCo consultations and surveys, like our <u>Annual Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey</u>, gather targeted stakeholder feedback

## Change & Release Team

Paul Witton-Dauris – Head of Change & Modifications

## Change & Release team Recap: 2024/25

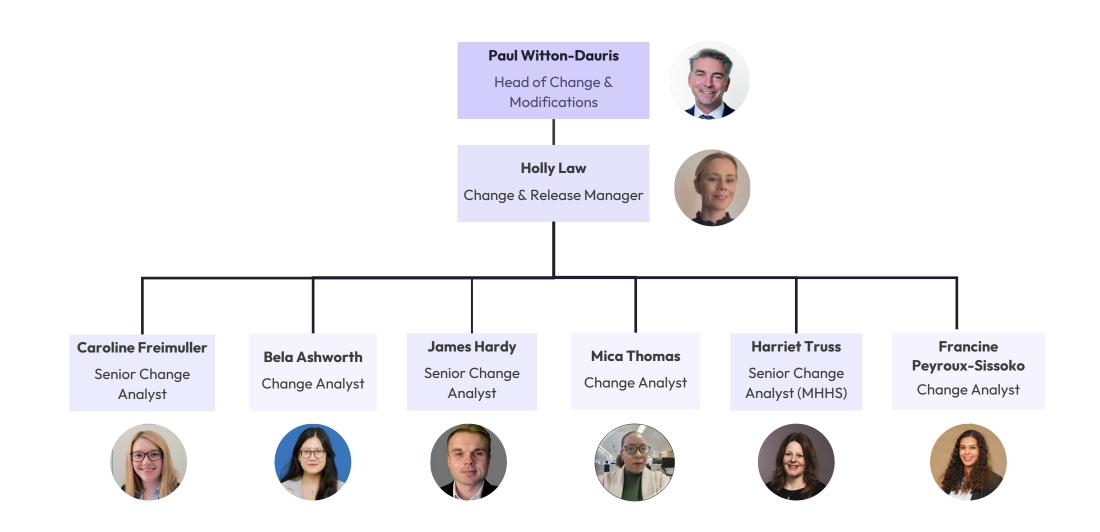
#### It's been a busy year!

- 77 Change Proposals or Issues raised
- 43 implemented
- 15 withdrawn
- 19 approved, awaiting implementation
- 2 issues resolved
- 8 rejected
- 65 live in-progress Change Proposals or Issues

#### And a busy four years since go-live

- 125 Change Proposals implemented since REC go-live
- 283 Changes or Issues raised since REC go-live

## Meet the Change & Release team



## **Future planning**

- MHHS
- Strategic Direction Statement
- Energy Theft
- Consumer Consent
- Erroneous Transfer review
- Open Data
- Tariff Interoperability

## A Day in the Life of a Change Analyst

What's involved in a complex change?

James Hardy | Senior Change Lead

## What is a Complex Change?

Extended timelines & activities

New subject matter

Resistance & possible rejection

Ambiguous: no clear solution Costly & resourceheavy

Emotional & personal

Strategic importance & cross-functional impact

Authority determined

Politically or commercially sensitive

#### R0155: Change of Occupier: evidentiary standards & timescales

This Change Proposal sought to address industry concerns about the Non-Domestic Change of Occupier (CoO) process identified by Non-Domestic Suppliers, Third-Party Intermediaries (TPIs), and consumers – and improve the CoO process.

Raised
December 2023



Approved December 2024



Implemented
June 2025

## R0155 overview: background & timeline

- December 2023: Change Proposal raised
- January 2024: Pre-working group webinars and stakeholder engagement
- **February June 2024:** R0155 Working Group
- July 2024: Legal review & Service Provider Impact Assessment
- August September 2024: Extended Party Impact Assessment
- October 2024: Business Case Assessment, solution review, continued stakeholder engagement
- November 2024: Industry consultation & legal review
- **December 2024:** Final Determination
- 2025: Implementation & continued stakeholder guidance, and ongoing review of the CoO Process.
   SDEP & Performance Assurance updates

- Citizens Advice highlighted that between August 2023 and August 2024, 17% of Non-Domestic cases that came through their Consumer Service were coded as "Non-Domestic contract issues". Within this, one of the most common issues in this code concerned consumers struggling to process Change of Occupiers (CoO).
- Ofgem's Non-Domestic market review (and December 2023 Statutory consultation) sets
  out a number of issues they identified as part of the CoO process, both with and without a
  Switch. Coincidingly, there was an expectation that these issues would be addressed
  through the REC.
- RECCo undertook some work to identify potential solutions, which were presented at a preliminary workshop in October 2023. However, these potential solutions were not taken forward. Instead, this REC Change Proposal was raised.
- The Code Manager facilitated a R0155 workgroup to allow members from across the industry to contribute their experiences and suggestions. The outcomes from this workgroup have been developed into a solution introducing a non-exhaustive list of evidentiary documents and SLAs for Energy Suppliers.

## R0155: problem statement & impacts

Non-Domestic Consumers may struggle to update a supplier quickly and easily when they become the new owner/occupier or responsible bill payer for a property.

Energy Suppliers may struggle to quickly and easily update their billing and contractual records for non-domestic properties.

Third Party Intermediaries (TPIs) may struggle to provide Non-Domestic Consumers and Energy Suppliers with a service.

#### **CONSUMERS**

Microbusiness

Small & Medium Enterprise (SME)

Industrial & Commercial (I&C)

#### REC PARTIES & SERVICE USERS

**Energy Suppliers** 

Third Party Intermediaries

#### REC SERVICE PROVIDERS

Secure Data Exchange Service (SDEP)

**Central Switching Services** 

Central Data Provider Services Provider

#### RECCO / REC CODE MANAGER

**RECCo** 

REC Code Manager
Performance Assurance

REC Code Manager Technical Services

#### **REC DOCUMENTS & PRODUCTS**

Schedule 1 Interpretations & Definitions	Schedule 30 Consumer Facing Switching & Billing Issues
Schedule 23 Registration Services	Performance Assurance Report Catalogue (PARC)
Schedule 24 Switching Data Management	TPI Code of Practice

## **Activities included**

- Change Proposal Raised: December 2023
- Change Proposal Approved: December 2024
- Change Proposal Implemented: June 2025
- End-to-End: 563 days
- Code Manager Team Participation: 20 people
- Longest Change Report Published: 40 pages
- Second Most Engaged REC Change Proposal:
  - 18 Party Impact Assessment Responses
  - 20 Consultation Responses

## Change Process Code Manager Initial Assessment Change Proposal Plan

Two Updates to Proposal Plan (April and September 2024)

**Proposer Meetings** 

R0155 Working Group - 7 meetings

Legal Drafting and Review

Service Provider Impact Assessment

Extended Party Impact Assessment (5 Weeks)

Solution Refinement

Engagement with Stakeholders and Industry Bodies

**Industry Consultation** 

Solution Amendment (11 Amendments made following Consultation)

Guidance Documents Published

Final Recommendation and Approval

R0155 Pre-Implementation Release Webinar

R0155 Performance Assurance Drop In Session

Performance Assurance Information Request

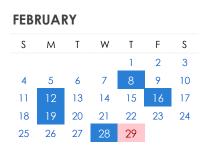
Pre-Implementation Communication

Implementation – 27 June 2025

Two Additional Change Proposals (R0232 and R0254)

## 2024: calendar





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Stakeholder Engagement Calls

Party Impact Assessment / Consultation

Appeal Window

Service Provider Impact Assessment

## Successes, difficulties, opportunities

#### **Successes**

- Driving measurable industry improvements to reduce consumer detriment
- Strengthening stakeholder trust and collaboration
- Transforming ambiguity into action (a clear case for Change)

#### **Difficulties**

- Acting as a trusted messenger (but you cannot please everyone)
- Repeated engagement, analysis and actions
- Navigating political sensitivities with strategic awareness

#### **Opportunities**

- Increasing the visibility of the REC & enhancing stakeholder engagement
- Developing emotional intelligence to lead Change effectively
- Building subject matter expertise in the non-domestic market

## Ro152: Revision to the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP)

Caroline Freimuller | Senior Change Lead

### R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP: – what are we trying to solve?

 Lack of clarity in CoMCoP over obligations made passing audits more difficult than needed

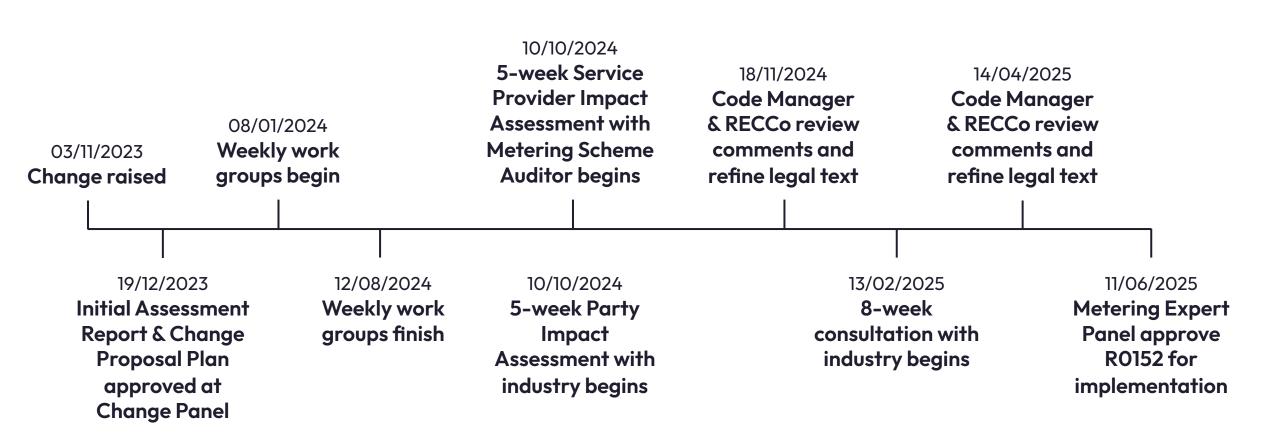
 Clauses were assigned to incorrect Party types, leading to Parties being asked audit questions they shouldn't be and Parties audits missing questions they should be asked

#### R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP – overall aims of solution development

#### Work split into five phases

- 1. Ensuring all Parties listed against each clause was correct (led to creation of derogation RECDER\_19)
- 2. Removing duplication and re-ordering clauses so similar obligations sat near each other where possible
- Rewording clauses where required to ensure obligations were clear, correct, and referenced the most up-to-date legislation
- 4. Ensure the appendices were clear and correct. Led to the creation of a new CoMCoP Supplementary Guidance Document, where any appendices that were not mandatory to follow were moved to
- 5. Review all clauses from ASPCoP, MCoP, MOCoP, and SMICoP that were not added to CoMCoP to determine if any were still required

## **R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP - timeline**



## R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP – Work Groups

#### Met from 08 January to 12 August 2024



#### Output generated

- Revised CoMCoP: Word & Excel versions
- Changes to Schedule 1 Interpretations & Definitions
- Creation of a new guidance document

#### Total time for Lead Analyst to create: ~ 50 hours

Does not include time input by Regulatory Specialists, RECCo, or RECCo SMEs

## R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP – Party Impact Assessment

#### Ran from 10 October to 15 November 2024



#### **Output generated**

- Revised CoMCoP: two Word versions showing all changes from live version and showing only changes made from Party IA, plus an Excel version
- Revisions to Schedule 1 Interpretations & Definitions
- Revisions to proposed new guidance document

## R0152: Revision to the CoMCoP – Consultation

#### Ran from 13 February to 11 April 2025

Lead Analyst time to review comments and make changes: ~60 hours

Over 300 proposed amendments to legal text

#### **Output generated**

- Revised CoMCoP: two Word versions showing all changes from live version and showing only changes made from consultation, plus an Excel version
- Revisions to Schedule 1 Interpretations & Definitions
- Revisions to proposed new guidance document



# Code Reform & Licence

## Introduction

Ayesha Uvais

**Customer Insights Manager** 

## Our focus today

#### We'll cover

- Stakeholders: the role of the Stakeholder Advisory Forum and wider stakeholder participation in shaping and supporting REC modification decisions
- Strategic Direction Statement (SDS): expectations for the REC, implications, and impact
- Cross-code collaboration: how we're working with other code bodies to develop aligned arrangements

### You'll get

- What these code reforms mean for <u>your</u> organisation
- Insights into our perspective and priorities
- Opportunity to shape implementation

## What is Code Reform and why it matters

## Energy Act 2023

- **Ofgem**: New powers to drive strategic change
- **Licensed Code Managers**: Responsible for delivering strategic change through codes

## Licensing Code Managers

- **Expanding role**: New licensing responsibilities (inc. code modification decisions & recommendations)
- **Regulatory process**: Ofgem has approved eligibility and licensing assessments and consulted on granting the licence
- **Next step**: Implementation phase

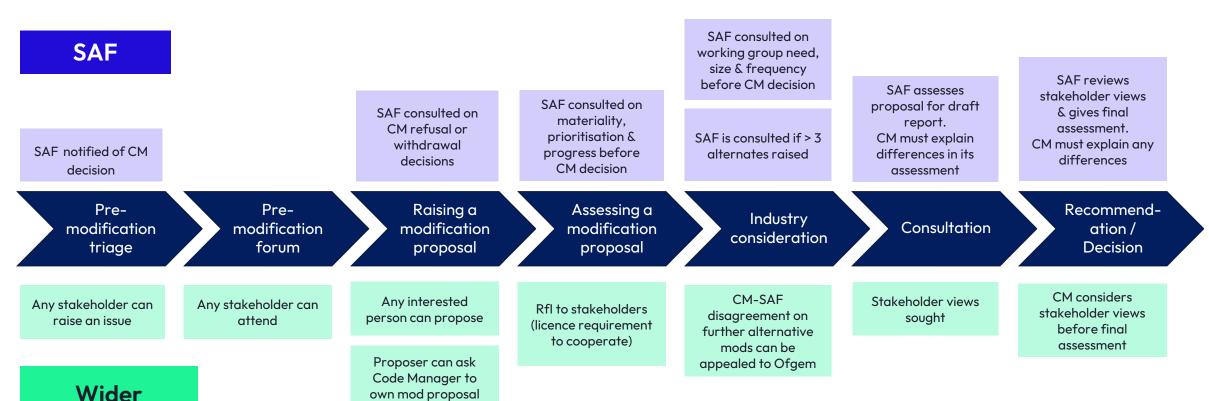
## Impact on Stakeholders

- **Stakeholder Advisory Forum**: The advisory forum replaces the decision-making change panel, with Code Managers demonstrating how stakeholder input informs decisions
- Code Manager Licence: Implications for stakeholders highlighted in this presentation
- **Information provision**: New requirements for licensed stakeholders

## Stakeholder role in modifications

stakeholders

Ofgem set out a change process, with stakeholder input built in – similar to our current arrangements



# Strategic Direction Statement

What does this mean for the REC/RECCo and our Forward Work Plan?

Suchitra Hammond – Senior Strategy Manager

## **Act now**

Governance & Institutions Obj 11.2

**Code Manager Delivery Plans** 

Digital systems for consumers Obj 14.1/14.2

**Consumer Consent** 

Ensure consumer-focused flexibility Obj 13.2

Review Smart Metering messages & processes to support ToU/flexibility

Improve protection for all consumers
– particularly those in vulnerable
situations Obj 2.1

Awaiting Ofgem Statutory
Consultation

Digital systems for consumers Obj 14.1/14.2

**Data Best Practice** 

Mandatory Half Hourly Settlement Obj 13.3

Continue to deliver necessary changes to implement MHHS

Protect non-domestic consumers Obj 2.2

Development of R0155/ await government decision

Enable consumer-led flexibility
Obj. 13

Smart Secure Electricity Systems
– Tariff Interoperability
Standards

Roll out low-carbon technology Obj 9

Prepare & deliver SIP accreditation scheme

## Think & Plan

Enable competition & investability through financial resilience
Obj 3

Consider cross-code implications/impacts on REC

Digital systems for consumers Obj 14.1/14.2

RECCo – Prepare for integration with Data Sharing Infrastructure

Digital systems for consumers – asset visibility Obj 14.1/14.2

Track consultations and access impacts on REC/Services

Digital systems for consumers Obj 14.1/14.2

**Consumer Consent** 

Drive accelerated on-shore investment
Obj 6

Electricity bill discount scheme

Prepare for re-purposing and decommissioning of gas grid
Obj 7.2

Await consultations and consider impacts on REC/Services

## Listen & Wait

Explore reform of retail market & respond to future developments
Obj. 4.2

Await further consultation/decisions and consider impacts on REC/Services

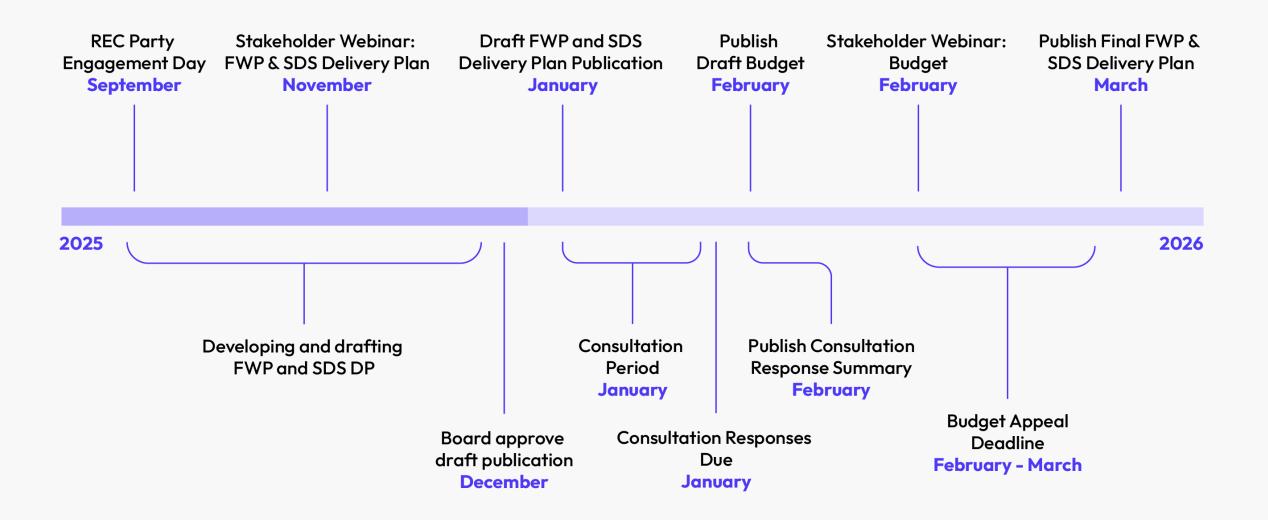
Enable infrastructure for net zero at pace Obj 5.1

Await further consultation/decisions and consider impacts on REC/Services

Local energy Obj 12.1

Await further consultation/decisions and consider impacts on REC/Services

## Next steps & timeline



## Our thinking on the SDS

### What's in place

Many SDS initiatives are already reflected in our Forward Work Plan 2025-28

#### Areas to improve

- Greater granularity is needed, especially for Act Now initiatives
- No clear critical path to delivery

#### **Recommendations**

Involve Code Managers early to develop deliverables ahead of the SDS consultation

# Cross-Code collaboration

Ayesha Uvais Customer Insights Manager

## Collaboration areas

Cross Code Steering Group (CCSG)

Mandated planning and coordination body with powers to determine the arrangements to coordinate cross-code modifications

Prioritisation Methodology

Looking at developing weighting for prioritised modifications to support cross-code prioritisation by CCSG

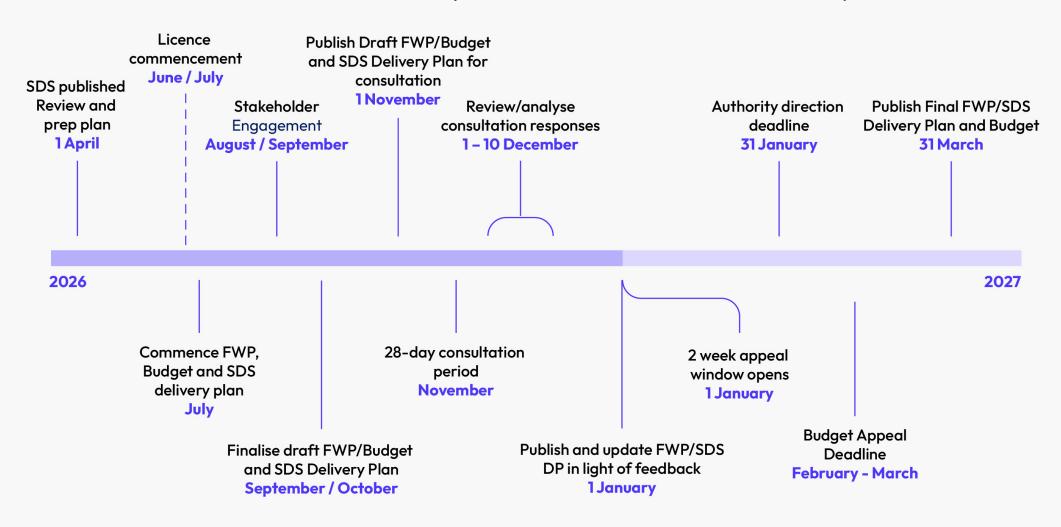
Performance Metrics Developing consistent performance metrics across codes to assist with comparison of performance.

Other areas

- Developing consistent implementation arrangements, including SAF where appropriate
- Coordinating our approach to the delivery plan
- Engaging with Ofgem on the development of their proposals

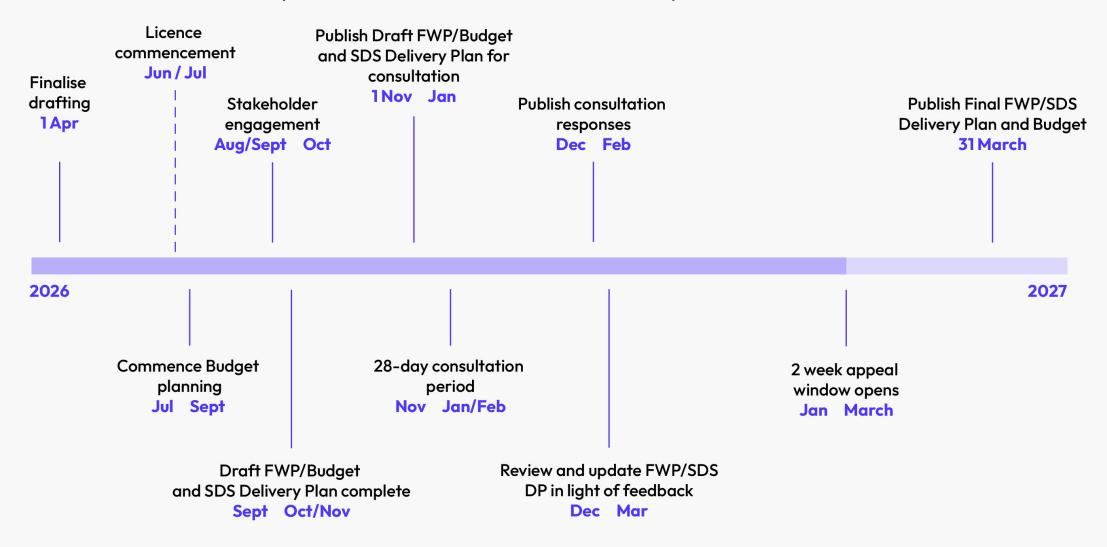
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High level changes that would need to be implemented to meet new timeframes for key deliverables – to commence June 2026. Full cycle of work would take 12 months to complete



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## Interactive Sessions

## Each table will be given two questions to discuss (10 minutes) and feedback to the room covering the following topics:

#### **Modification Process**

- Any concerns around future stakeholder engagement and possible solutions?
- How can RECCo better support stakeholders within the REC Change process?

#### **Strategic Direction Statement (SDS)**

- 1. Timescales: Do you have any concerns about Ofgem's or our timescales for implementation?
- 2. Should there be greater cross-code alignment on the SDS and delivery plan?
- 3. Should the Delivery Plan formats be consistent for comparison?
- 4. How can we improve future SDS consultations and decisions?

#### **Cross-Code Working**

- How would you like to be involved in the CCSG?
- Are there other greas of collaboration code bodies should review?

# 28A Session

# Break

11.55-12.10

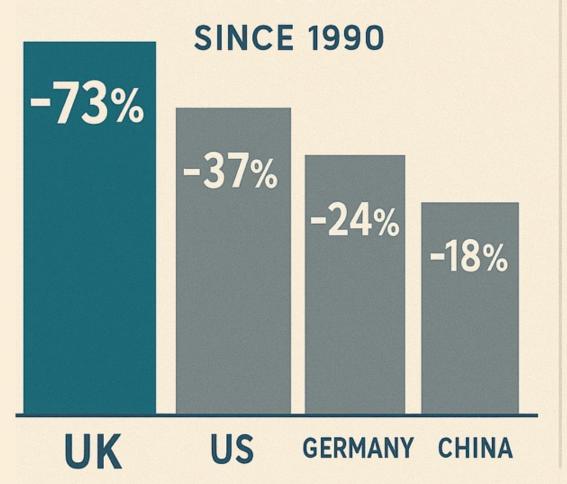


# Consumer Consent Solution

## Introduction

Pete Davies | Director of Data, Technology & Transformation

## REDUCTIONS IN POWER SECTOR **EMISSIONS**



## BREAKDOWN **OF EMISSIONS** REDUCTIONS

BY SECTOR

**Upstream Generation** 

-63%

**Transmission** and Distribution

-24%

**Energy Retail** -11%

SOURCE: GLOBAL CARBON BUDGET



## Future Retail Energy System

#### I asked Chat GPT

You are a digital infographic artist with 10 years experience in drawing and the energy sector. Draw me a picture which covers off a street of houses and these houses have a mixture of PV, batteries, heat pumps, EVs, fridges and other high intensity energy consumers and producers

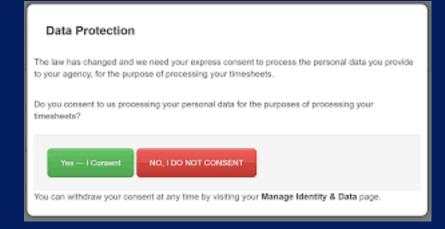
## Inconsistent consent...





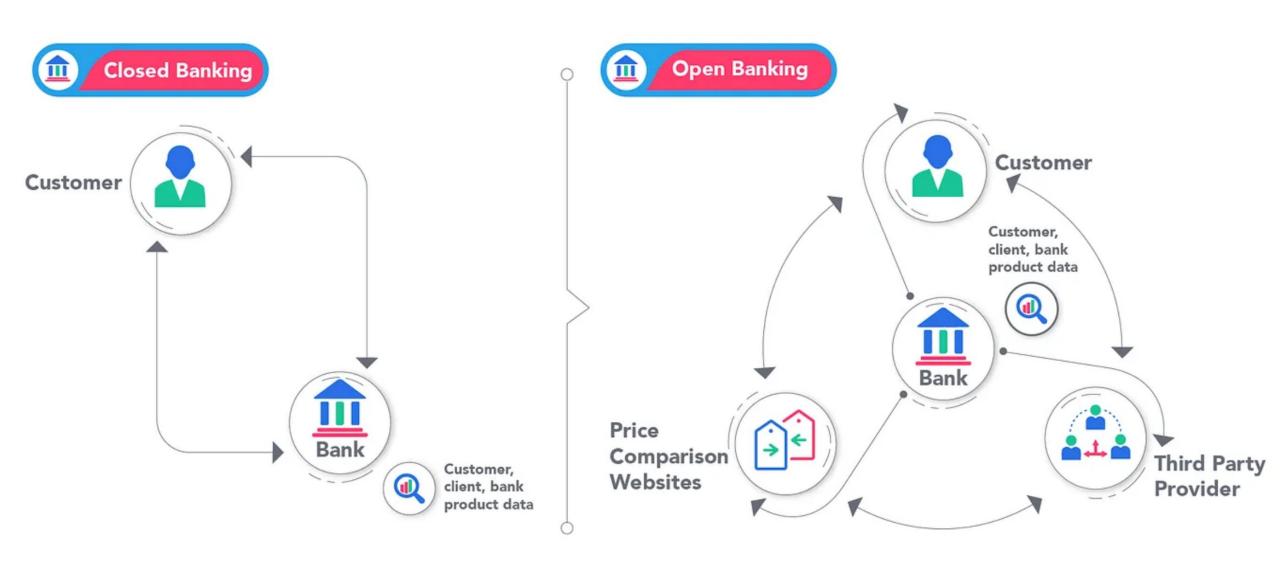
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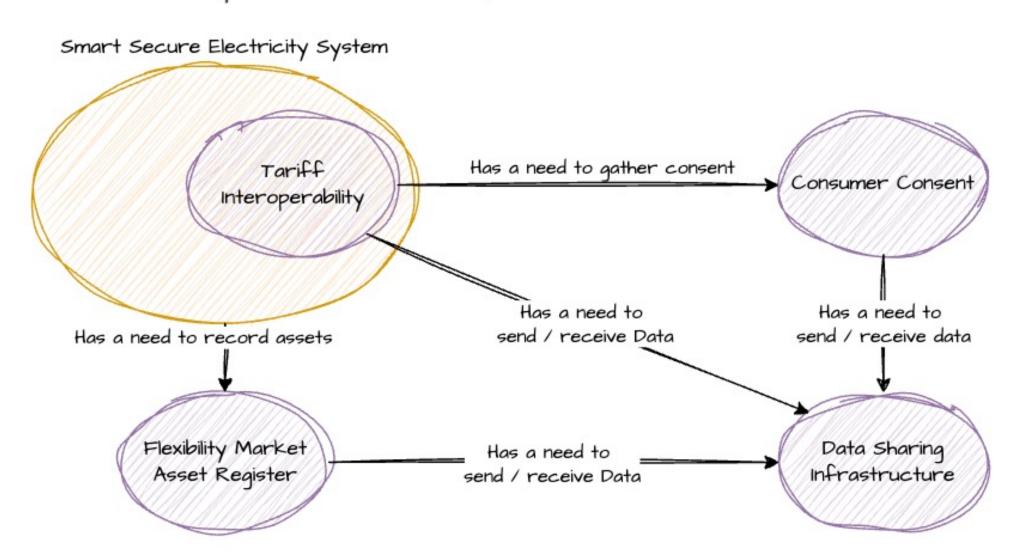


## Cumbersome contractual arrangements...



## Interdependence between initiatives...

## <u>Initiatives - Potential Dependencies to Resolve</u>



## Consistent User Experience Via Guidelines

Deliver Trust Framework

Via the REC & Technology

Collaborate with Elexon & NESO

With oversight from Ofgem / DESNZ

# Timelines & Roadmap

Michael Walsh | Consumer Consent Project Manager

## Consumer Consent Programme

High-level timeframes (indicative)



Q42025 Q12026 Complete Q12027\* 2027+ **Mobilisation Design Consultation &** Ofgem finalise & Design, Test & **MMP Optimisation** Onboard project team, **Design Decisions** publish **Impact Launch Consumer Development of MMP** establish governance & - Trust Framework **Assessment** (Minimum Marketable **Ongoing evolution Consent MMP** stand-up working - UX & Access Product) & development - Tech Specifications groups **CC Working Group** Pre-core procurement, **Advisory Reports** starting with Market **Governance Change Process** Governance drafted & published **Testing** Framework (Code / Regulatory) **Procurement activity** Feed content and data for Tech, UX, and into Ofgem-led \* Timeline anticipated to be in line with MHHS Programme Assurance **CC Impact Assessment** (as stated in Ofgem's CC Delivery Body Decision Paper, section 2.15) **Body partners** 

## Consumer Consent Programme

To ensure the programme benefits from industry insight and meets the diverse needs of our stakeholders, Ofgem has established three dedicated Industry Working Groups. These will play an advisory role by informing our decision-making throughout the consultation and design process. These working groups will be essential in helping RECCo develop a solution that balances consumer empowerment, industry practicality, and regulatory assurance.

Three Working Groups

Aim & Scope

**Key Advisory** 

Role

#### Security, Technical & Design

Secure | Scalable | User-first

- Explore security and technical design options
- · Includes key issues and risks

- Advise on the data model and technical design
  - Ensure robust data privacy and cybersecurity protections

#### **Implementation** & Governance

Structured | Timely | Compliant

- Define governance roles and responsibilities
- Shape delivery and implementation plans
- Guide governance
- Advised the delivery body on cost-effective, timely implementation

#### Consumer Protection & Accessibility

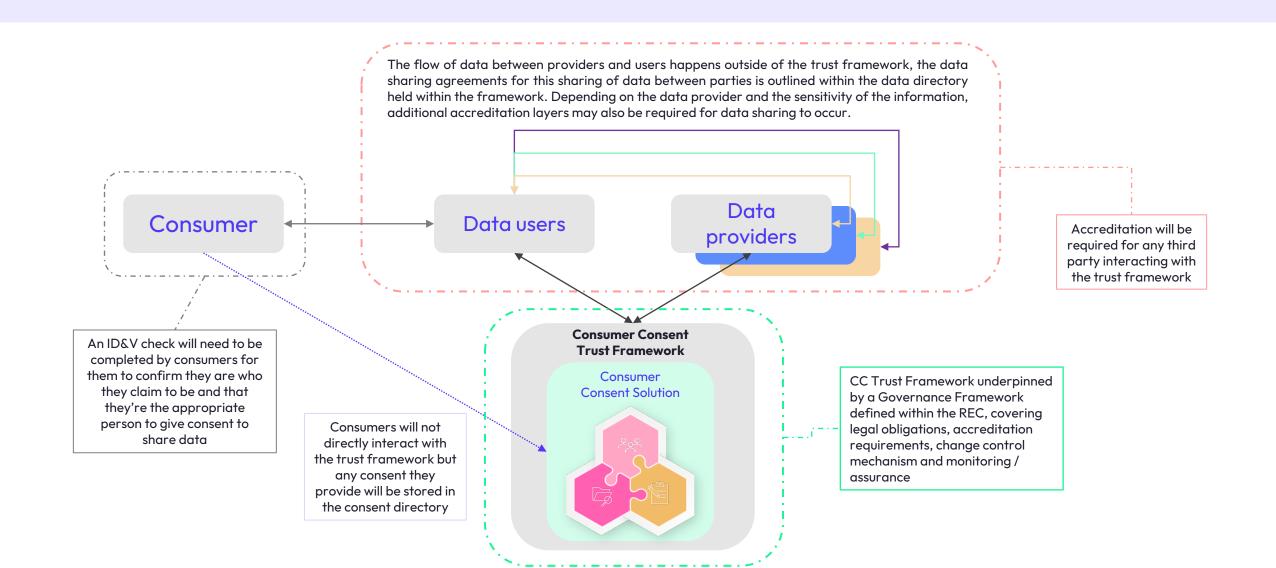
- · Focus on usability, accessibility, and protecting consumer interests
- · Ensure strong consumer focus by safeguarding rights and promoting an inclusive, equitable, and user-friendly solution

Leadership transitions are anticipated to begin from November 2025, following the expected publication of each group's Advisory Paper at the end of October.

# Trust & Governance Frameworks for MMP

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## **Trust Framework Model: overview**



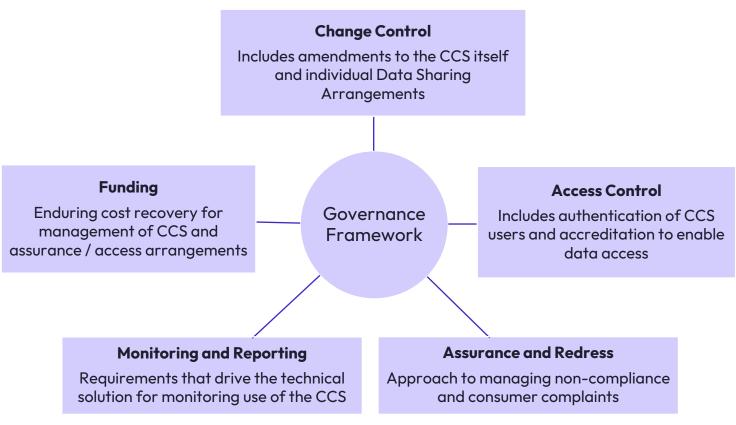
## **Trust Framework Model: overview**

#### What is the CCS Governance Framework?

The Consumer Consent Solution will be underpinned by a robust governance framework setting out how Data Providers, Data Users and Consumers interact with the arrangements.

Our current thinking is the governance framework will be defined at two levels:

- The arrangements associated with the central CCS e.g. how users are accredited to participate.
- The arrangements associated with individual Data Sharing Arrangements e.g. how to amend a data item within a define data set.



## **Trust Framework Model: considerations**



- The proposed model for each element of the governance framework will be defined and discussed with the Implementation & Governance Working Group over the next few months.
- The preferred approach for each element will be set out within the Design Consultation as part of the overall CCS governance design to enable wider industry feedback to be obtained.
- Following consultation, the agreed governance framework will be reflected within the REC code drafting. Interactions with other industry codes will be considered and alignment of changes agreed as necessary.
- As a minimum, the content of the REC will include a Consumer Consent Schedule defining the mechanism for interactions with the CCS and any requirements/obligations on RECCo and users of the solution this includes both Data Providers & Data Users.
- Code drafting will be shared and discussed with CCWG members before further industry consultation. Finalised code drafting will be included in a REC Change Proposal, formally implementing the CCS under REC governance.
- Technical delivery of the CCS solution, together with changes required by the initial cohort of Data Providers & Data Users, will be progressed to go live alongside the REC Change Proposal.

## MMP considerations



- As a minimum, smart meter consumption data will be available to data users for MMP.

  Other data may be available depending on which data providers are onboarded for MMP.
- For the MMP, instead of defining what use cases should be used, we're exploring what data sharing arrangements already exist or might exist within a similar timeline.
- We expect to incorporate some of these existing arrangements into the Consumer Consent Trust Framework and enable them to use the solution to obtain consumer consent.
- As part of this plan to incorporate existing arrangements, we're conducting an initial request for information (RfI) with SEC Other Users to understand what arrangements are currently in place and the associated use cases.
- The MMP will also enable Elexon to utilise the CC Trust Framework to obtain consumer consent for their smart data repository. Project timelines permitting, we hope users can utilise the data in the repository as part of the MMP.
- The governance framework established as part of MMP will be set up to allow future data
  providers to be accredited under the Trust Framework. As more providers are onboarded,
  more data will become available for users to access.

## **Use cases**

## Use Case Definition\*

A clearly defined purpose or scenario for which shared data is accessed and used by a data user, specifying how the data will be utilised and how this achieves the intended outcome, while remaining within the scope of the agreed terms.

<sup>\*</sup>This definition is used to aid understanding; other similar schemes and trust frameworks may use different terminology. We're working closely with DESNZ to ensure consistency of definitions used within the project and the solution.

## **Use cases**

#### Informed Tariff Selection

Benefit: Enables consumers to switch to tariffs that align with their financial, lifestyle and environmental priorities

#### **Price Comparison**

Enables consumers to get accurate quotes when exploring available tariffs

#### **Green Energy Selection**

Enables consumers to choose tariffs with renewable energy sources that match their consumption

#### Time-of-use Optimisation

Allows consumers to save money and/or use greener energy by consuming at certain times of the day

#### Lifestyle Matching

Allows tailored tariffs to consumers who have electric vehicles or work from home etc. the best tariff to suit their individual needs

#### **Auto-switching Services**

Automatic switching to provide better deals and ensuring continuous optimisation

#### **Energy Insights**

Benefit: Enables consumers to manage and reduce energy usage to reduce costs and support the move to net zero

#### **Energy Efficiency Insights**

Provide personalised tips and analytics to reduce consumption, such as usage trend analysis or appliance-level monitoring

#### Carbon Footprint Tracking

Monitor and report a households CO2 emissions over time, allowing consumers to set and achieve sustainability targets

#### Demand Side Response

Enables consumers to participate in peak-time reductions of load-shirting programs for grid stability

#### **Smart Appliance Integration**

Allow third-party control or monitoring of devices such as heat pumps or smart thermostats to optimise usage or respond to timeof-use pricing automatically

#### Solar Panel or Battery Adoption

Share meter data with providers to assess viability, forecast savings, or design and right the right renewable energy system for a home

#### Other Use Cases

Benefit: A range of use cases that utilise consumption data to support energy-related activities

#### Home Energy Retrofits & Grants

Facilitate audits for insulation, heating upgrades and/or government/charity grants eligibility by sharing precise consumption data for tailored recommendations

## Appliance Maintenance & Diagnostics

Detect abnormal energy usage patterns that could indicate faulty appliances, allowing service providers to notify customer or offer proactive maintenance

#### Pay-as-you go Budgeting

Provide near real-time consumption data to budgeting apps or consumer support services, helping individuals manage finances and avoid unexpected high bills

#### Community or Peer Comparisons

Compare usage against local or demographic averages to encourage collective energy-saving behaviours

## Consumer Research and Innovation

Allow academic institutions or start ups to use data for developing new energy solutions, pilot programs and consumer focused innovations

## Interactive Round Table

- What opportunities or concerns do you see with CCS?
- Where are the most significant adoption or implementation challenges?
- How can we ensure consumer buy-in?
- How can RECCo better support industry awareness and future readiness?

# 28A Session

# Involved in *consumer data* and consent in the energy sector?

### Let's connect.

The Consumer Consent Project is live, and we want to hear from you. Whether you have a question or concern or want to stay in the loop, our team is here to collaborate.

Reach us at: consumerconsent@retailenergycode.co.uk

Your feedback plays a key role in shaping a secure, consumer-centric solution.



## Have your say: our Annual Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey launches in October

**Your voice matters**. Our Annual Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey is back this October, giving you the chance to share direct feedback on how we're managing the Retail Energy Code (REC) Services.

#### Why participate?

This is your opportunity to tell us what's working well and where we need to improve. Your input will guide the priorities we set for 2026–27, helping us deliver services that are more effective, transparent, and accessible, while staying true to the purpose of the REC.

## What's next?

## Lunch

Lounge: 13.15-14.00

## Coffee

Lounge: 14.30-15.30

## **Networking/Drinks**

Lounge & Main Room: 15.30-16.30

## **Surgery Drop-ins**

Main Room: 14.00-15.30

**Energy Theft** 

**REC Portal Relaunch** 

Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement

Forward Work Plan 2026-29

Tariff Interoperability & Consumer Consent

REC Change Process & Consolidated Metering Code of Practice

## Meet your OAM

Lounge: 14.00-15.30

## Feedback Survey

Code - 1119328



# Thank you!