

Introduction to RESP webinar

NESO & Regional Energy Strategic Planning (RESP)

16 June, 11am

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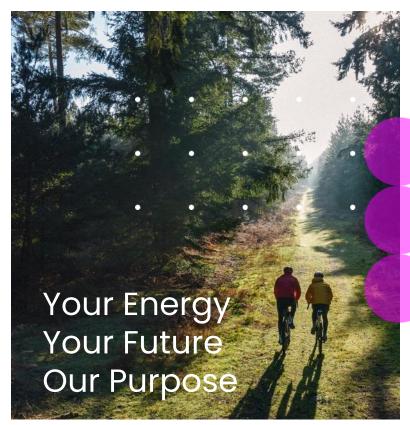
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The National Energy System Operator (NESO)

NESO is an **independent**, **public corporation** at the centre of the energy system.

We take a whole system view to create a world where everyone has access to reliable, clean and affordable energy.





Our Purpose & Vision



Our purpose is to forge the path to a sustainable future for everyone.



Our vision is a future where everyone has access to reliable, clean and affordable energy; our work will be a catalyst for change across the global community.

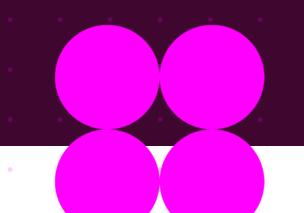




Our Governance

NESO is operationally independent of government. We plan the electricity and gas systems and operate the electricity system.

Being independent means we can give impartial recommendations to the government and the regulator.



Our shareholder



The Department for Energy Security & Net Zero is responsible for national policy and providing strategic direction and targets in relation to UK energy

Our regulator



Ofgem is the energy regulator for Great Britain

Independent NESO Board

The NESO Board oversees our strategic direction, ensuring compliance with regulations and mitigation of corporate risks.

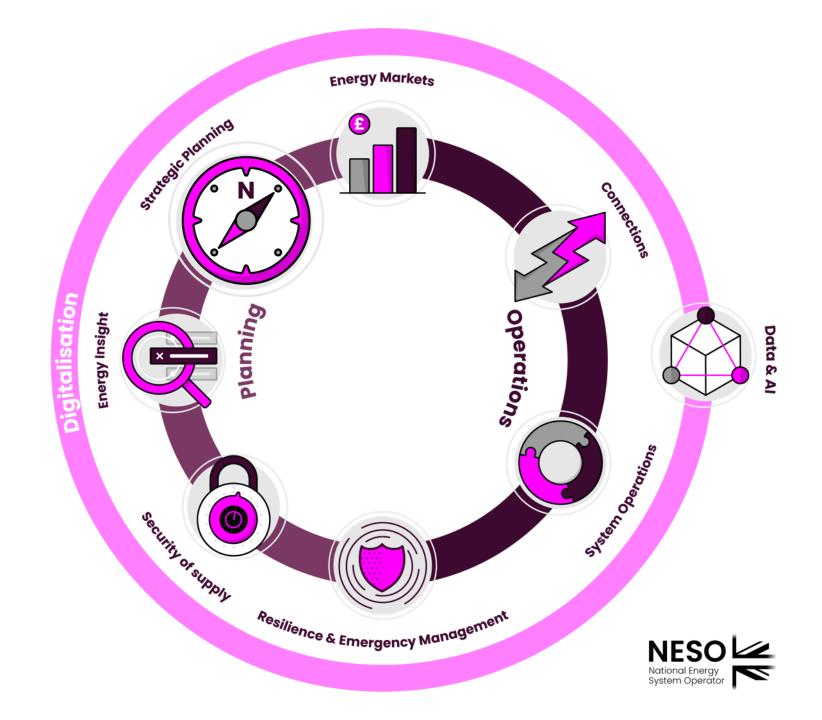
The Board ensures that we build strong relationships with customers and it evaluates performance.



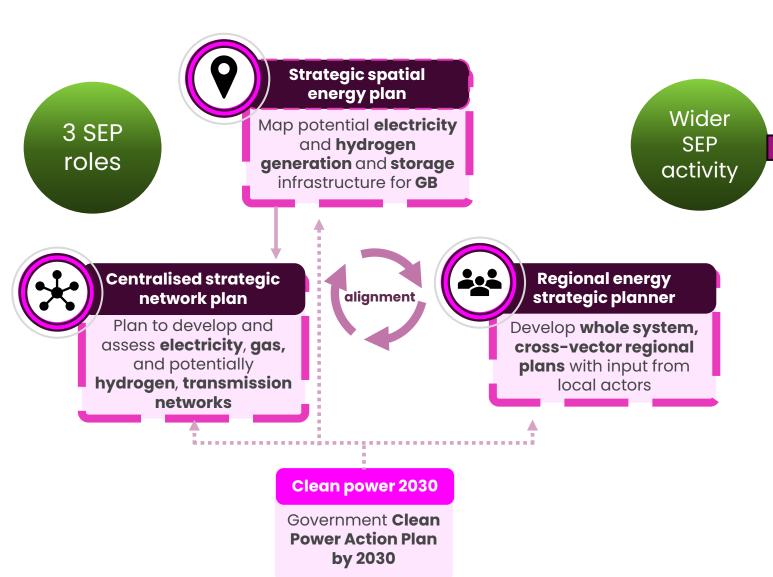
What we do

Strategic Planning

We take a long-term approach to planning, that identifies whole energy system needs and ensures that the system can be designed and built accordingly.



Strategic energy planning (SEP)





Confirm **gas**, and potentially **hydrogen**, network transmission needs



Offshore coordination

Connect offshore wind in a coordinated way



Ensure a zero carbon energy system can be operated



RESPs – why do we need them?

The Why...

Local voices & needs - ensure that local voices & needs are at the heart of the way we plan the energy system

To drive investment - ensure local areas get the energy infrastructure they need to realise local goals

investment - that keeps bills low by looking at the whole energy system

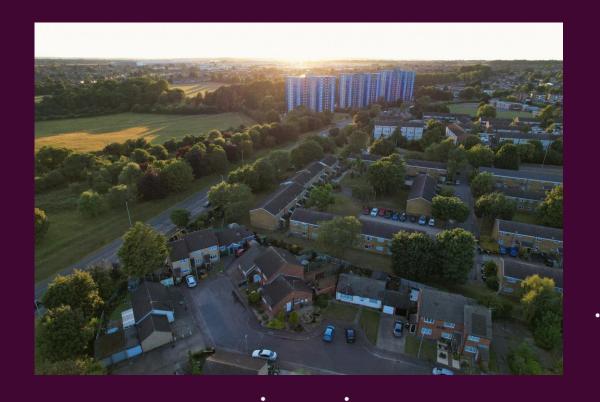






Our role

Working with the GB regions and nations to produce eleven Regional Energy Strategic Plans (RESPs), to ensure that local areas get the energy infrastructure they need to help meet local and national goals.



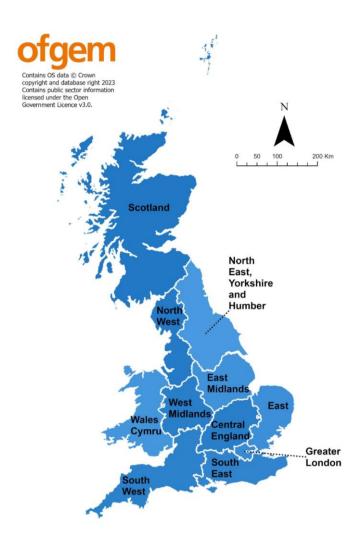


RESP regions & boundaries



North regions/nations

- Scotland
- North East, Yorkshire and the Humber
- North West
- East Midlands
- West Midlands



South regions/nations

- Wales
- Central England
- East
- Greater London
- South East
- South West



How we will work: Six guiding principles

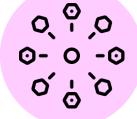




Place based



Proactive



Whole-system



Transparent & collaborative



Vision led





Five components of a RESP



Regional Context

Comprehensive view of regional conditions & priorities

2

Consistent Planning Assumptions

Assumptions to drive consistent derivation of network impacts

3

Strategic Investment Need

Identify needs which are of high economic/system value and key to regional priorities

4

Pathways

Spatial models of future supply and demand

5

Spatial Context

Geospatial view of pathways against network conditions



Who's involved: Governance & engagement







Regional Strategic Boards

Working Groups

- 1 Function Based
- 2 Thematic

Engagement Processes



Transitional RESP (tRESP) Overview

Ofgem is collaborating with NESO to develop transitional RESPs and regional investment pathways that ensure reliable, affordable electricity and align network investments with regulatory expectations ahead of full RESP implementation in 2027

What is tRESP?

- 1. Serves as a transitional bridge to Enduring RESP
- 2. Focused on supporting electricity DNO (Distribution Network Operator) business plans
- 3. Provides each region with a short-term Pathway (2025-2035)
- 4. Feeds into the long-term Pathway (2035–2050)

Why now?

- **1. Urgent change**: Energy sector transformation and CP30 demand immediate action
- **2. Unlocking value sooner**: Enduring RESP won't be ready until 2027
- **3. DNO business planning dates are fixed** (2028-2033) and require input now
- **4. Early stakeholder engagement to integrate regional needs** within energy planning

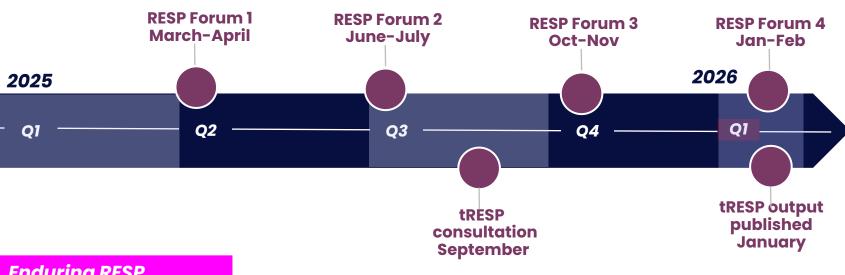




How to get involved

The When...

Transitional RESP



Enduring RESP



RESP Forums - Summer 2025

Region	Date	Time
Scotland	26 th June	11am – 12.30pm
North West	2nd July	1.00 - 2.30pm
London	7 th July	2.00 - 3.30pm
Central England	7th July	10.00 - 11.30am
North East, Yorkshire & the Humber	8 th July	10.00 – 11.30am
West Midlands	8 th July	1.30 – 3.00pm
South West	9 th July	3.00 – 4.30pm
East of England	10 th July	2.00 – 3.30pm
Wales	10 th July	10.30am – 12pm
South East	9 th July	10.00 - 11.30am
East Midlands	10 th July	10.30am - 12pm



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RESP web pages

neso.energy/what-we-do/strategic-planning/regionalenergy-stratrgic-planning-resp



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