



Invitation to WPD'S ANNUAL STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP (with lunch) JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2018

To discuss:

WPD'S BUSINESS PLANS, LONG-TERM PRIORITIES & BUILDING ELECTRICITY NETWORKS FOR THE FUTURE

Your feedback will be invaluable to help shape our thinking on a number of long-term, strategic challenges facing electricity networks. As you may be aware, WPD is currently part-way through its current business plan period (RIOO-ED1), which runs until 2023. The workshops will provide an opportunity for you to critically evaluate how we are performing, as well as to tell us your priorities for the future, including the next business plan period (RIOO-ED2).

Workshop content

Topics that will be covered include but are not limited to:

- Smart technology and innovation
- Supporting customers in vulnerable situations and in fuel poverty
- Connecting low carbon technologies and electric vehicles to the grid
- Resilience to severe weather and emergencies
- Our environmental responsibilities
- Our transition to a Distribution System Operator

If there are any other areas you think we should cover at the workshops, please let us know by filling in the text box in the registration form. We will endeavour to incorporate your topic suggestions into the event.

Format

The workshops will include presentations from senior WPD Managers. In addition, there will be a session hosted by Citizens Advice. Each presentation will be followed by roundtable discussions where your feedback will directly shape our actions.

After lunch, there will be a number of 'surgeries' on: Connections; Social Obligations; and Losses and Innovation. You will be able to register your intention to attend on the events' registration forms.

Attendees will include representatives of parish and local councils; energy suppliers and major users; vulnerable customer representatives and charities; business groups; developers; environmental representatives and conservation groups.

Dates and locations

Plymouth (St Mellion International Resort), 30th January 2018

Newport (Celtic Resort), 31st January 2018

Bristol (Bristol Pavilion - formerly Gloucestershire Cricket Ground), 1st February 2018

Birmingham (Aston Villa Football Club), 6th February 2018

Derby (Pride Park Stadium – home of Derby County FC), 7th February 2018

Lincoln (Lincolnshire Showground), 8th February 2018

Registration: 9.15am Workshops: 9.45am – 1pm Lunch: 1pm – 2pm Optional "surgeries": 2pm – 3pm

Please confirm your attendance by clicking on the location above. Please let us know of any specific dietary requirements.

I look forward to meeting you at one of these workshops.



Alex Wilkes, WPD Stakeholder Engagement Manager