## **UK Energy Futures**





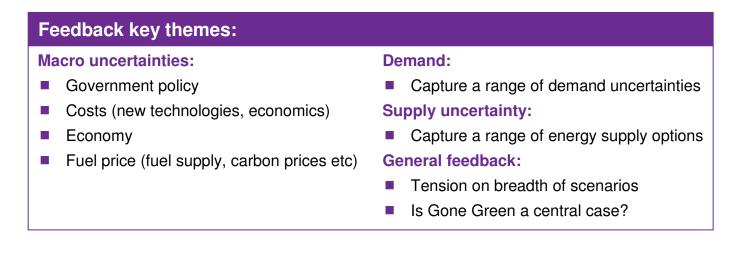


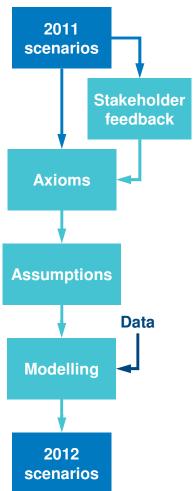
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## Our 2012 scenario development





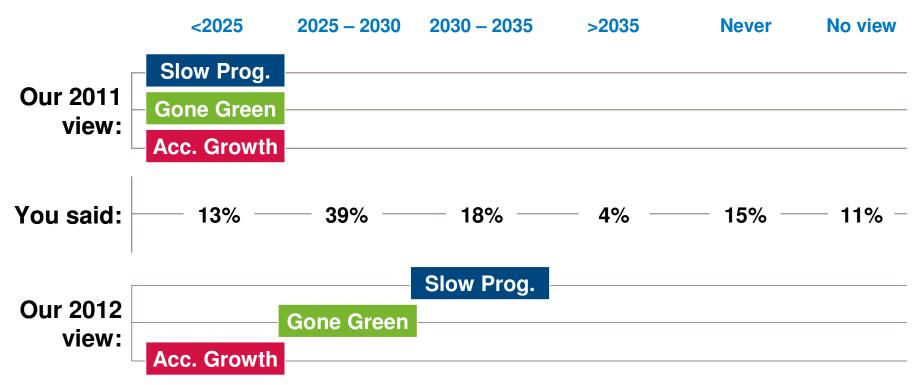




## **Axioms and your feedback**

# An axiom is a premise or starting point of reasoning. It is a logical statement assumed to be true.

The first GB large scale commercial (gas or coal) CCS station will become operational in:



## **Slow Progression**

#### **Overview**

- Government climate targets missed / abandoned
- Continued economic hardship, low GDP growth
- Limited energy efficiency / Green Deal impact
- Domestic gas demand broadly flat, higher in power generation

### Main changes vs 2011

Electricity demand

Nuclear generation

Renewable generation

Interconnection

Thermal generation

Heat pump deployment

Electric vehicle deployment

2020 targets

#### **Targets performance**

2020	renewable	×
	carbon	$\checkmark$
2030 carbon		×
2050 carbon		×











## **Gone Green**

#### **Overview**

- Government climate targets met, balanced approach
- Modest GDP growth in medium term at historic averages
- Energy efficiency is driven / Green Deal is effective
- Gradual decline in gas demand

2011 scenario outcome

### Main changes vs 2011

Electricity demand

Nuclear generation

Renewable generation

Interconnection

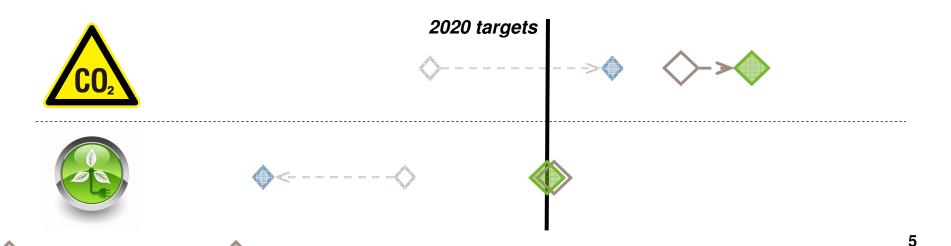
Thermal generation

Heat pump deployment

Electric vehicle deployment

### **Targets performance**

2020	renewable	$\checkmark$
	carbon	$\checkmark$
2030 carbon		✓
2050 carbon		✓



2012 scenario outcome

## **Accelerated Growth**

#### **Overview**

2011 scenario outcome

- Government climate targets met early
- Sustained economic growth in medium to long term
- Significant energy efficiency
- Significant reduction in gas demand

### Main changes vs 2011

Electricity demand

Nuclear generation

Renewable generation

Interconnection

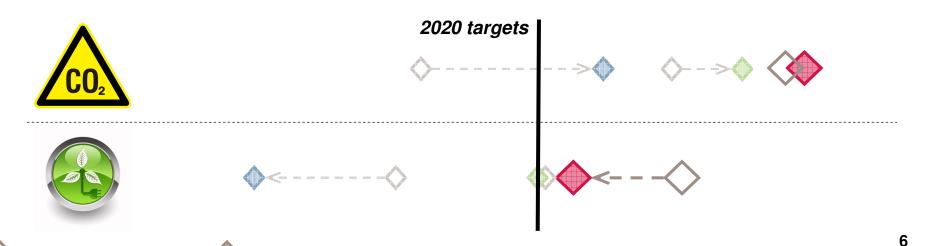
Thermal generation

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Heat pump deployment
Electric vehicle deployment

### **Targets performance**

2020	renewable	✓
	carbon	$\checkmark$
2030 carbon		✓
2050 carbon		✓



2012 scenario outcome



## **Economic background**

## **Slow Progression**

- EU economic hardship
- Scarcity of finance
- Low GDP growth

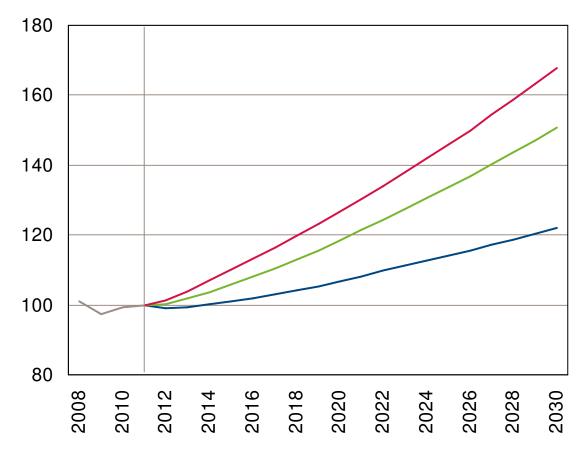
#### **Gone Green**

- Modest GDP growth in the medium term
- Historical average from 2017

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Sustained economic growth across Europe
- High GDP growth

### **GDP** growth (indexed to 2011)



## **Fuel prices**

## Slow Progression

- Wholesale prices flat to 2015
- Low carbon price
- 2030 prices similar to today

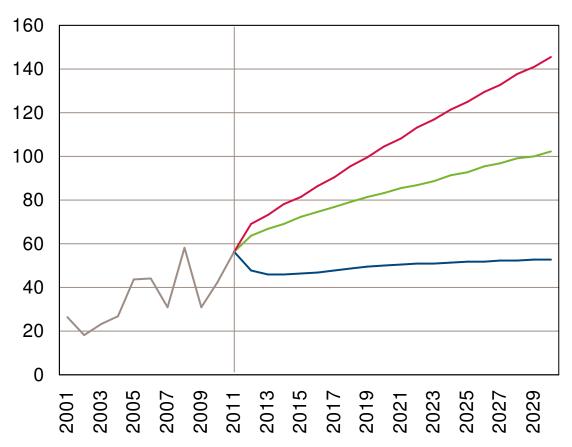
#### **Gone Green**

- Hydrocarbon fuel prices increase steadily from 2015+
- Carbon price increases

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- All fuel prices rise strongly
- Gas & oil prices linked
- Carbon price at EMR floor

#### Wholesale gas price (p/therm)





## **Transport**

## **Slow Progression**

- Modest EV growth
- More hybrids in early years, more pure EVs in later years

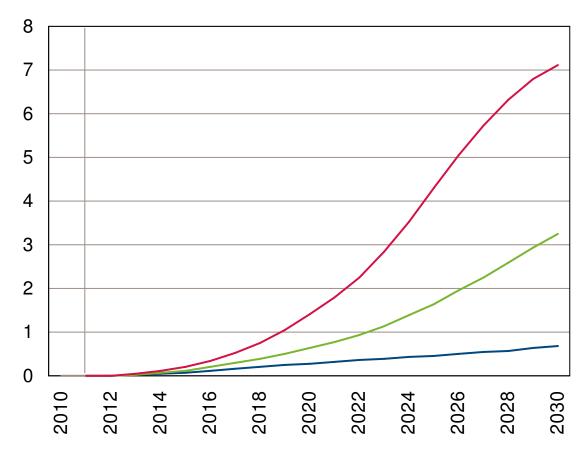
### Gone Green

- Strong EV growth
- More hybrids in early years, more pure EVs in later years

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Robust EV growth
- More hybrids in early years, more pure EVs in later years

#### **Electric vehicles (million)**





## **Heat**

## **Slow Progression**

- Modest heat pump growth
- Limited insulation uptake

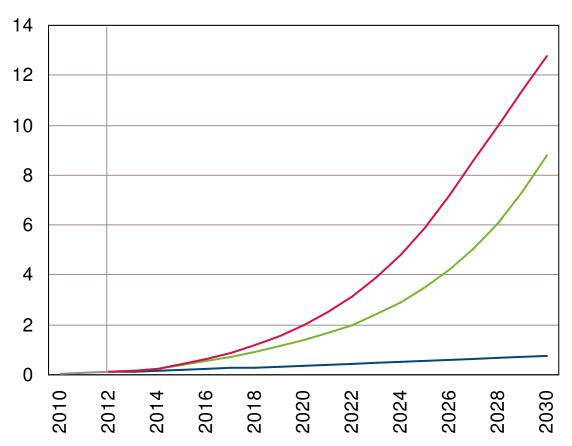
#### **Gone Green**

- Strong heat pump growth
- Strong insulation uptake

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Robust heat pump growth
- High insulation uptake

## Residential heat pumps (million)





## **Electricity demand**

## Slow Progression

- Annual demand broadly flat
- Peak demand flat / falling

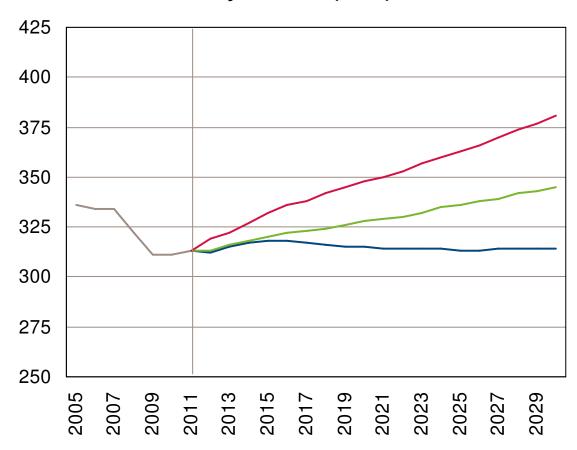
#### **Gone Green**

- Economic growth, heat & transport electrification
- Peak demand grows steadily

#### **Accelerated Growth**

 Reflects greater economic growth and electrification of heat & transport

#### **Annual electricity demand (TWh)**



## **Electricity generation**

### **Slow Progression**

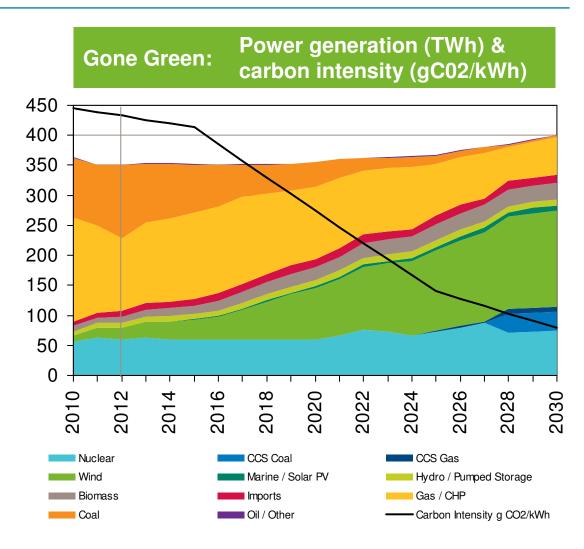
- Extension of existing plant; new gas generation
- Slower low CO<sub>2</sub> deployment

#### **Gone Green**

- Balanced approach
- Contributions from different technologies

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Faster low CO<sub>2</sub> deployment
- Strong micro generation deployment



## Gas demand

## **Slow Progression**

- Higher domestic & power generation demand
- Peak demand broadly flat

#### **Gone Green**

- Steady decline in domestic & power generation demand
- Peak demand ~25% lower

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Strong decline in domestic & power generation demand
- Peak demand ~40% lower

#### Annual gas demand (TWh)



## Gas supply

#### **Slow Progression**

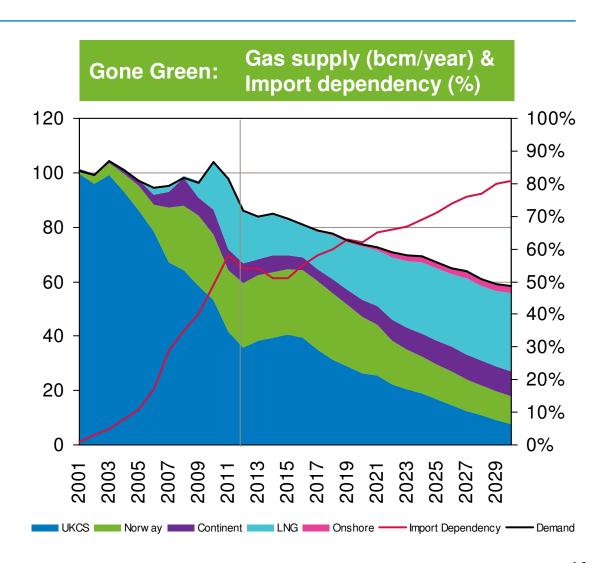
- Higher UKCS & Norwegian supply; higher global LNG
- New seasonal storage

#### **Gone Green**

- Balanced approach
- Flexible storage driven by market requirements

#### **Accelerated Growth**

- Lower UKCS & Norwegian supply; tight global LNG
- Storage under construction



# The future: efficiency, decarbonisation and electrification

