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Gate 2 Phase 1 – GSP Update Webinar

17 September 2026

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Session Recording

We are recording our presentations and responses to any questions for sharing through our website.



Session follow up

We will share the presentation, including Q&A, as soon as possible after this session through our website:

<https://connections.nationalgrid.co.uk/connections-reform/>



Additional Gate 2 Phase 1 webinars

If you have projects in multiple GSP batches, please look out for invitations to those webinars. They will be sent to you by email.

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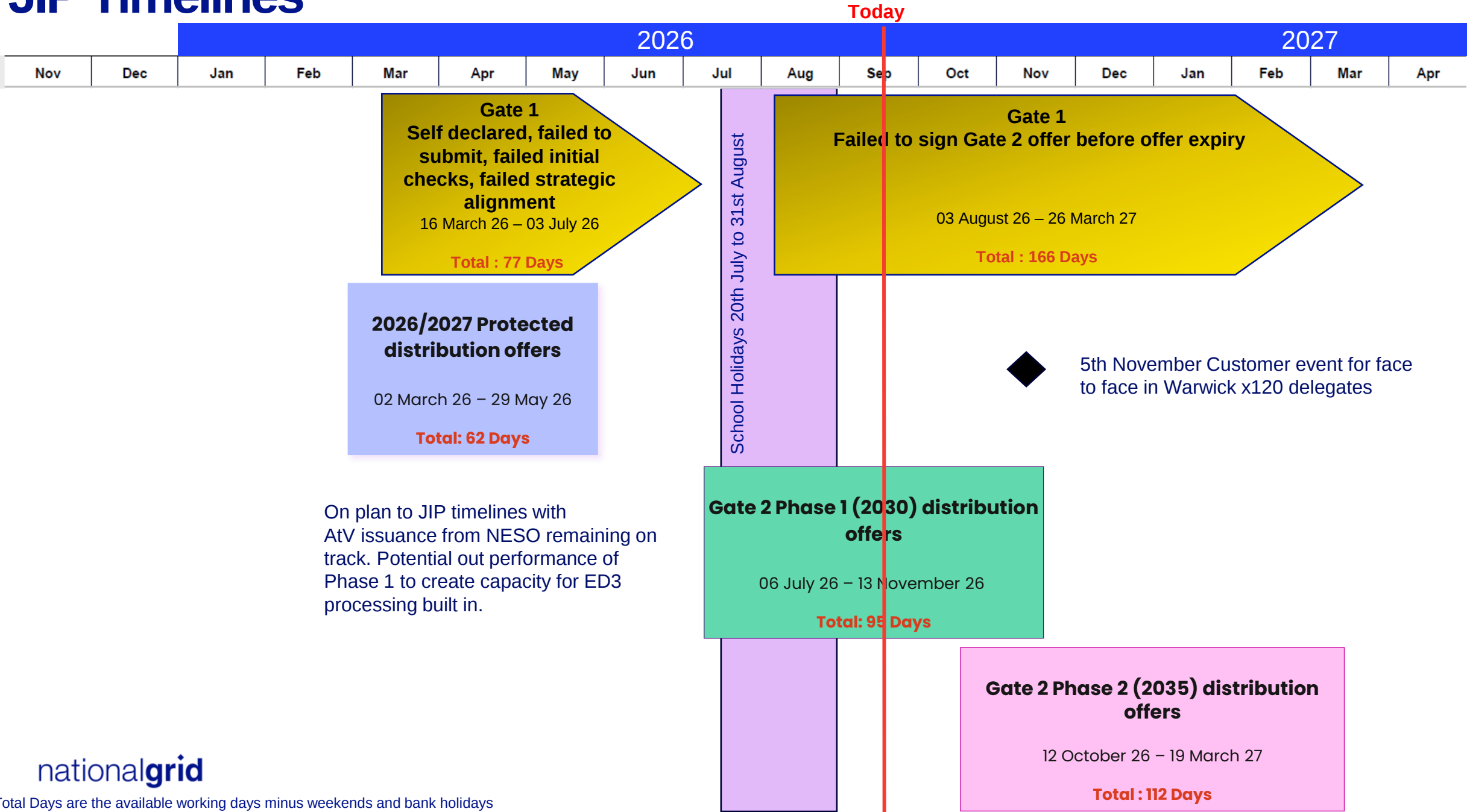


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JIP Timelines



* Total Days are the available working days minus weekends and bank holidays

GSPs under discussion today

- **East Claydon**
- **Staythorpe**
- **Willington**
- **Iron Acton**

Phase 1 Batch Transparency

Batch 8

CURRENT POSITION
Offers being prepared

GSPs in this batch

- East Claydon
- Iron Acton
- Staythorpe
- Willington

Early sight of TOCO Information
27 July 2026

AtV Information received from NESO
7 September 2026

Expected offer issue
Week commencing 5 October 2026

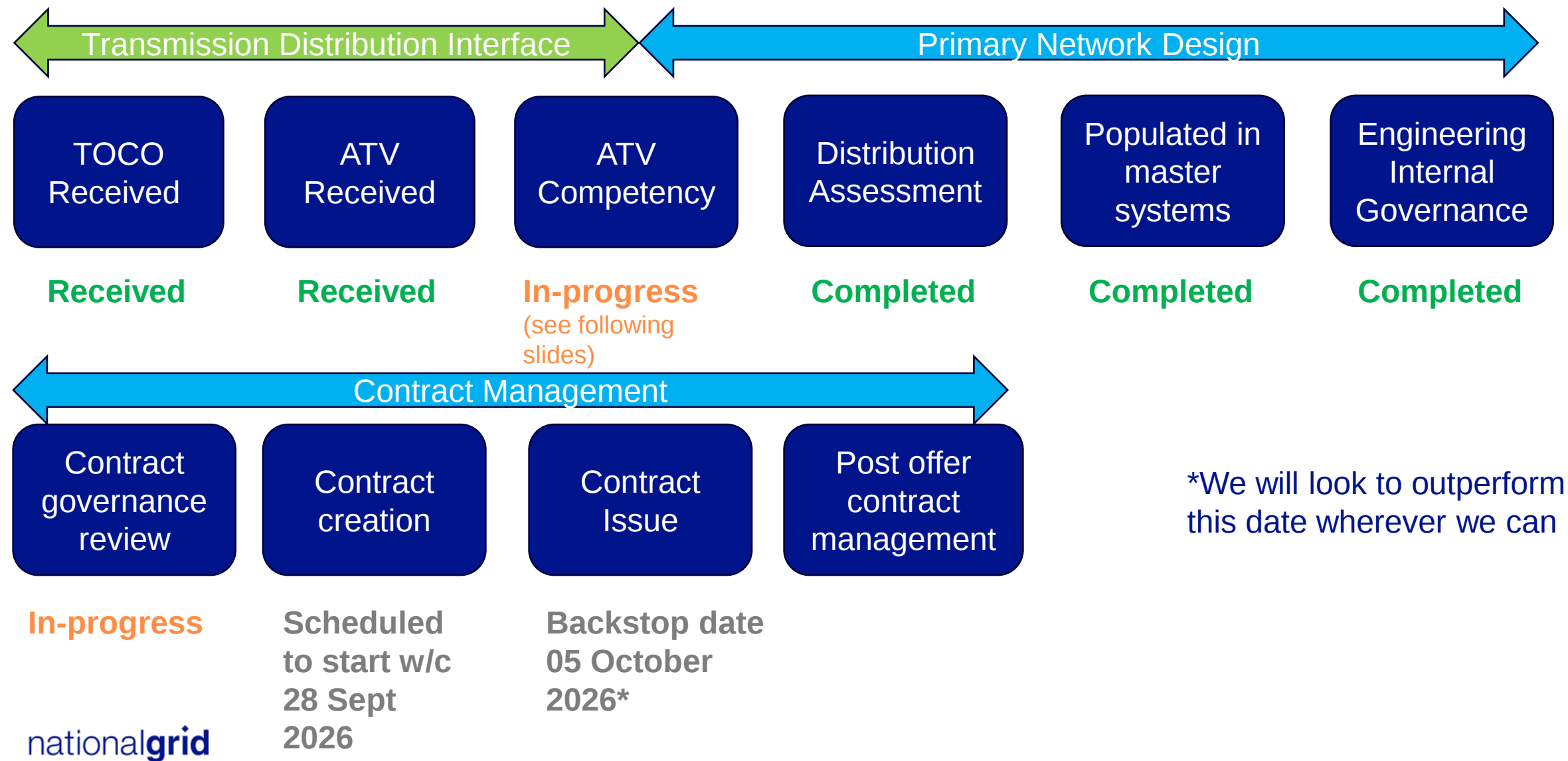
For full transparency we are regularly publishing an updated view on our website for the latest status of all Phase 1 batches:

<https://connections.nationalgrid.co.uk/connections-reform/gate-2-phase-1-offer-schedule/>

This includes information on:

- Status of early sight of Transmission Owner Connection Offer (TOCO)
- Confirmation of whether we have received the formal Agreement to Vary for these GSPs

Detailed Batch 8 Status (East Claydon, Staythorpe, Willington)



GSP Level Findings Summary

GSP Name	Updates identified				
	NESO Queries	Point of Connection	Reinforcement Requirements	Energisation Timelines	Cost insight
East Claydon	We have raised number of queries after our review of NESO offer. We need these queries to be resolved before issuing offers to our customers	Point of connection from transmission works perspective will be changed . A new 400/132kV East Claydon with exact location to be confirmed	Rebuild of 400/132kV East Claydon S/S	31st October 2033 to 31st October 2035	No pass-through costs from transmission. Cost increases for the distribution works are expected.
Staythorpe		Point of connection from transmission works perspective remains unchanged	1xAdditional SGTs required at Staythorpe	30th October 2030 from T-works perspective	There are pass through costs identified for T-works
Willington		Point of connection from transmission works perspective remains unchanged	1xAdditional SGTs required at Willington	30th October 2032 from T-works perspective	There are pass through costs identified which we have queried with NESO
Iron Acton (West Mids)	We have raised a few minor queries with NESO as part of offer review, but nothing material that will stop us issuing our offer to customers or signing offer	Point of connection from transmission works perspective remains unchanged	One off local works to facilitate local scheme	No significant change	No pass-through costs from transmission. Cost increases for the distribution works are expected.
Iron Acton (South West)	Please see following update slides				

GSP Level Findings - Iron Acton (South West)

01

NESO Offer Queries

We have raised some queries with NESO with regards the extent to which technical limits can be utilised to accelerate connections.

02

Point Of Connection

No change to any schemes transmission Point of Connection (PoC)

03

Reinforcement Requirements

- Modifications to the Iron Acton 132kV running arrangement
- Replacement of SGT1 and SGT2 with a 240MVA transformer and associated cable.

04

Insight into Costs

No pass-through costs from NESO for the proposed reinforcement works.

Costs for SCS database changes may be applicable (if connecting at 132kV)

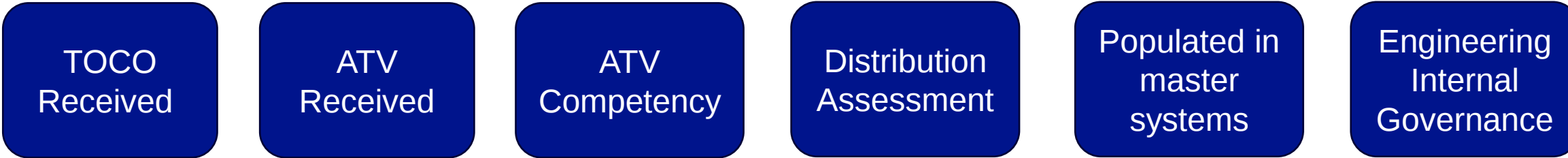
Cost increases for the distribution works are expected.

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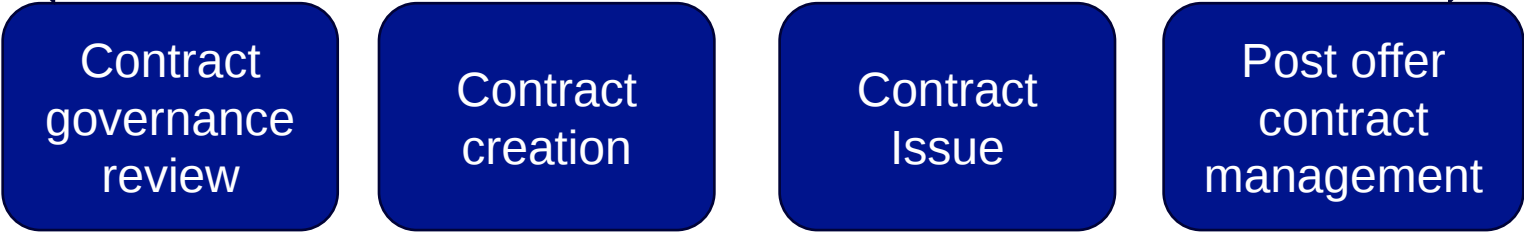
Insight into Energisation Timelines

Transmission reinforcement works are due to be completed on 30th August 2030

Detailed Batch 8 Status (Iron Acton)



Received Received In-progress In-progress In-progress In-progress



To start once Engineering governance completed
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Scheduled to start w/c 28 Sept 2026

Backstop date 05 October 2026*

*We will look to outperform this date wherever we can

Next Steps



Curtailment reports

Our team is currently producing the Curtailment Reports which will form part of your Gate 2 Phase 1 Variation Offer where required



Internal assurance

We will review the full contents of your offer, ensuring that it is as accurate before issuing



Issuing your offer

Once we have reviewed your offer, we will send it to you by email and DocuSign. We expect this to be in the next two weeks; we will proactively let you know if this changes for any reason.



Customer signing

You then have 30 calendar days to sign and return your offer. You will need to use DocuSign to do this.



Questions?

If you have any questions about the content of your offer, please contact the Connections Reform team, using the details accompanying that offer.

Useful Resources

You can stay up-to-date with where we are on Connections Reform via our newly updated website:

<https://connections.nationalgrid.co.uk/connections-reform/>

This contains information on:

- Connection Reform Background
- Offer pipeline and application windows
- Guidance and FAQs
- Distribution Queue ordering methodology



Understanding Connections Reform

Discover the history of Connections Reform and the outcomes it will deliver

[Read the overview](#)



Offers, pipeline and application windows

Check which offers are being issued, pipeline information, how to find your queue position and what we know about the next application window.

[View offer updates](#)



Guidance, FAQs and tools

Find guidance documents, FAQs, data tools and links to key industry partners.

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Datasets

Curtailment Information on our Connected Data Portal:

- [Common Information Model \(CIM\) Network Model](#)
- [GSP Technical Limits](#)
- [Connection Reform Queue Information](#)
- [Branch loadings](#)
- [Sensitivity Factors](#)
- [ANM Pre-event limits and transmission limits](#)

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Any Questions?

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