



Affordable Net Zero Homes

Neutral Home

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Who are we ?

Experts in energy management and sustainability

Bringing 20+ years experience from the commercial sector to the UK residential sector

We are technology agnostic so we bring together the best available combinations for each project



Who we are and what we do?

Affordable Retro-fit net zero homes, open to all, that save lots of money



← 29m homes →



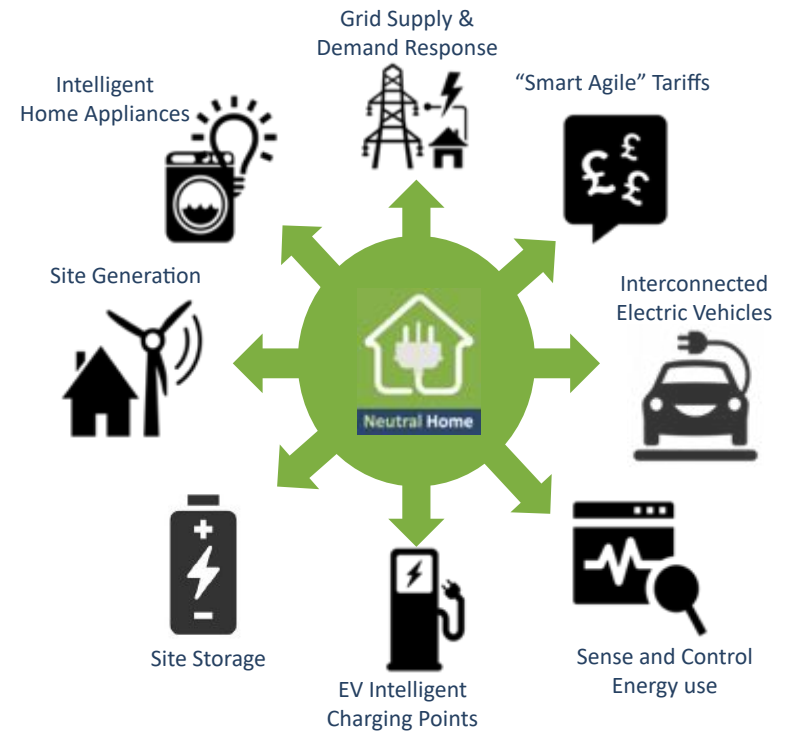
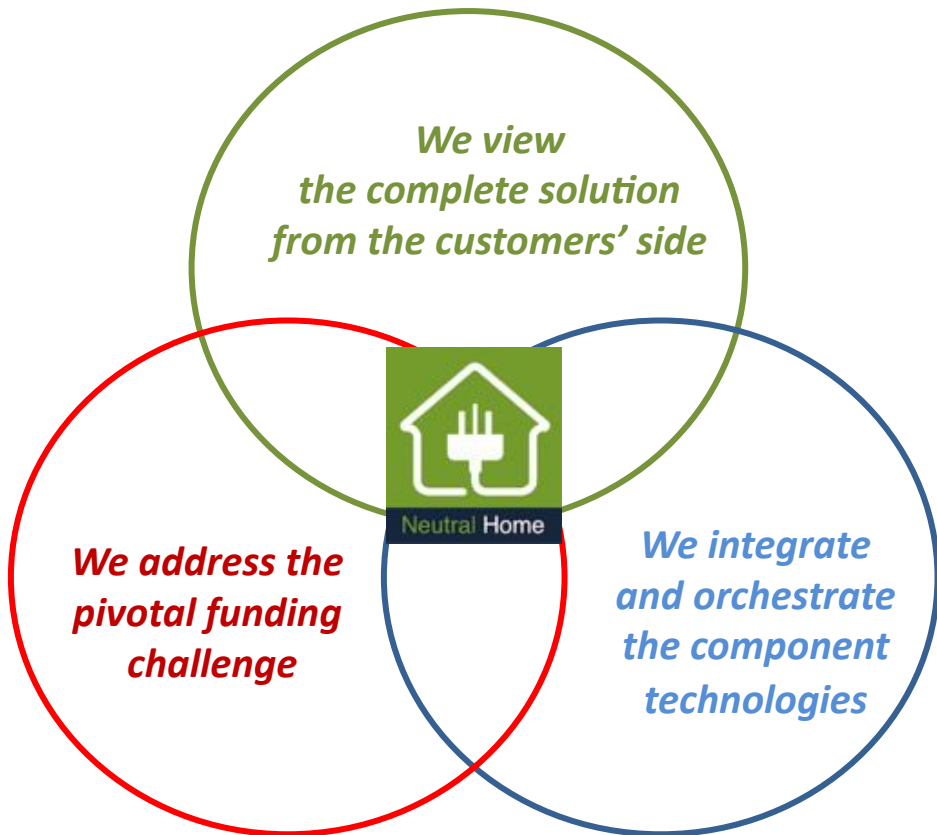
- Net zero aspiration
- £ 150+ per month energy bill
- The paid upfront model

- Address fuel poverty
- £ 50-150 per month energy bill
- Aggregation synergies
- The funded model



What do we mean by integration - The Brain

Connecting all the pieces of the energy puzzle together.....and add the missing piece. 





Three steps to radically reduce energy bills

Build the energy foundations

...then double up

...and double again

1: Home Start

+

2: Home Store

+

3: Home Sum

=

An affordable net zero home
and up to 80% lower cost

You Save 20%

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You Save up to 40%

£ 1,725

80%
↓
£ 350

20%

40%

Up to 80%

Annual energy cost (2020)

Average size detached home with two cars

Deploy the Home Brain:

- Energy consumption manager
- Voltage Optimizer
- Temperature Optimization
- Create the future business case

Use the Home Brain :

- Move to Time of Use Tariffs
- Add House battery
- Use brain to store/use power at the optimum times of day
- Power outage back-up (NB Battery must store 20% daily consumption)

EV Integration (Future):

- Optimum time to charge
- Flexible use of car battery for home

Deploy Solar PV Generation with the Home Brain

- Model the optimum PV system
 - Manage generated power with TOU tariffs:
 - When to use
 - When to store
 - When to export
- PV Generation < 67% annual consumption)

Active Demand Management (Future):

- Instantaneous grid load shedding
- Instantaneous grid storage



Neutral Home Projects – Detached Houses

Project 1:

Future proofing a property



Status/Results:

Complete

60% expansion in space
75% reduction in energy cost

Project 2:

Deliver to a fixed budget/ROI



Status/Results:

Underway

Insulation/Windows upgrade
Energy monitoring
Solar PV & battery storage
Agile tariff & demand management

Project 3:

New Build Potential



Status/Results:

Build started: 90% reduction in energy cost
Four year payback



Neutral Home Projects – Apartment Complex

A Housing Association development with 56 tenants



Blacked out windows

- Conversion from commercial to residential in 2015
- All electric systems
- Single incomer and landlord supply contract on commercial terms

56 Flat Consumption: 378,150 kWh p.a.

Site Consumption: 144,900 kWh p.a.

Total 523,050 kWh p.a.

Energy Cost p.a. **£ 81,090 p.a.**



Thermal Image (8 Dec 2020 9.40am)

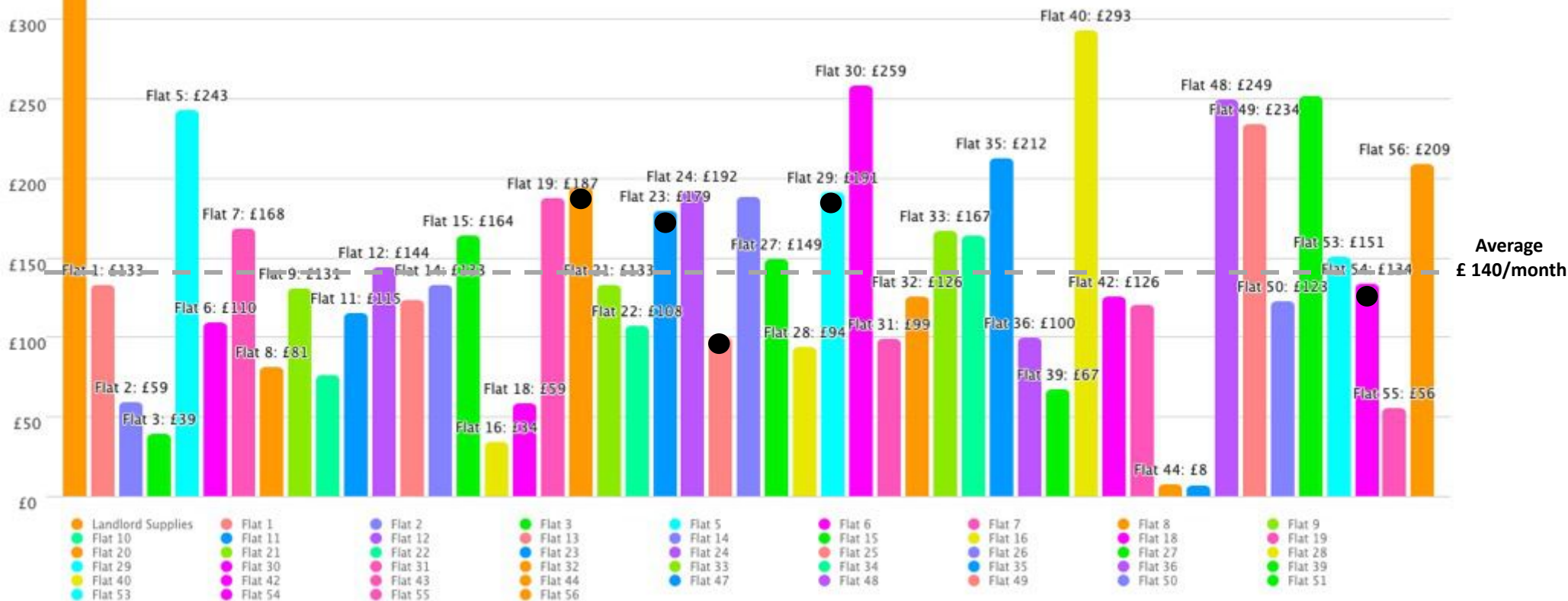


A third of the residents will have bills above £ 200 in January

There are **seventeen** residents whose bills will be above £ 200 per month, and **six** above £ 250 for January

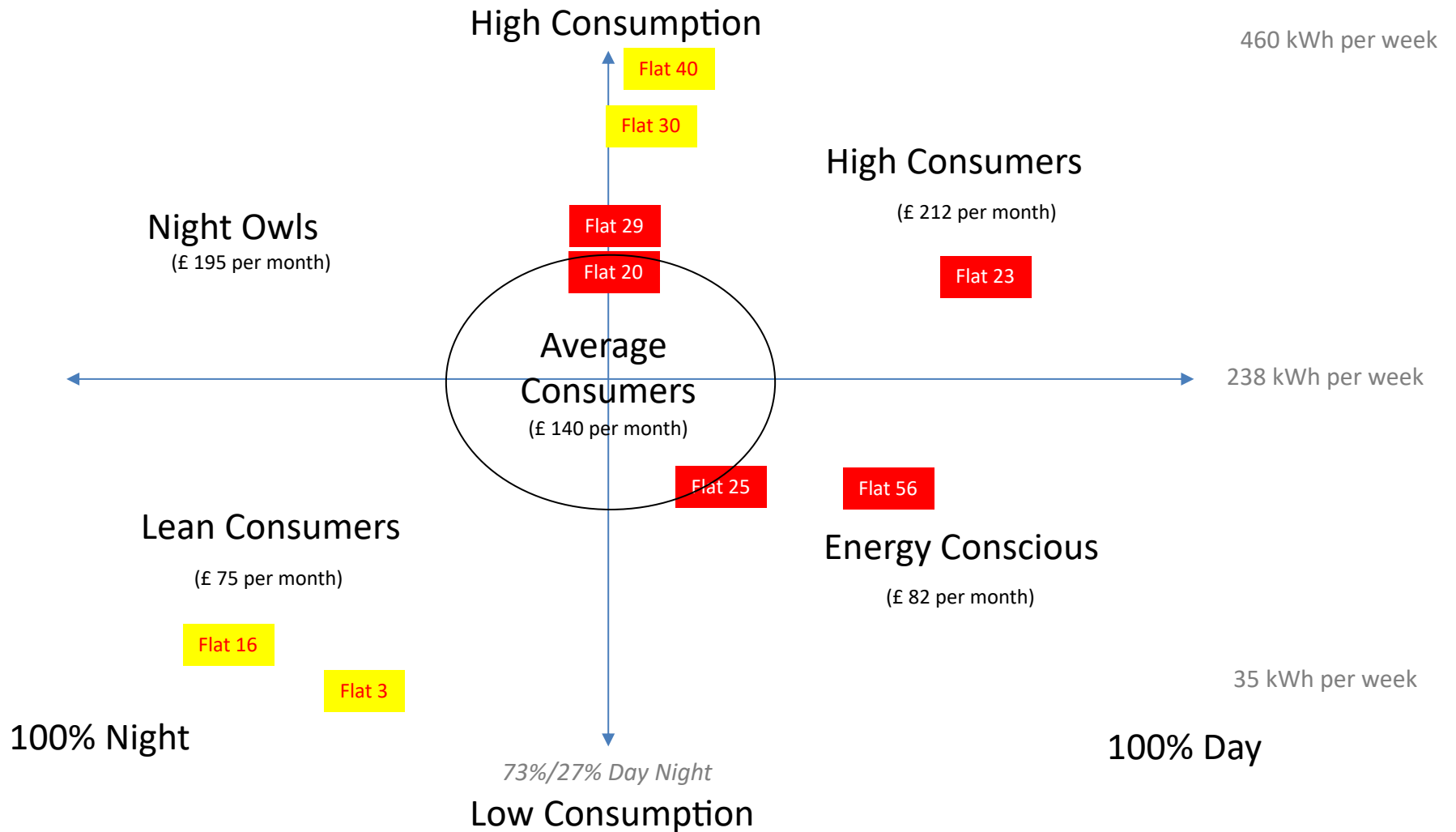
● Residents that have previously complained about excessive energy bills

Flat Consumption (not including Landlord supply)





Tenant segmentation and selection





Building Micro grid

We project 20% of the annual consumption can be generated onsite, taking the full site off-grid for 3 months p.a. and allowing it to move up to 20% of the consumption to lower cost tariffs in the winter

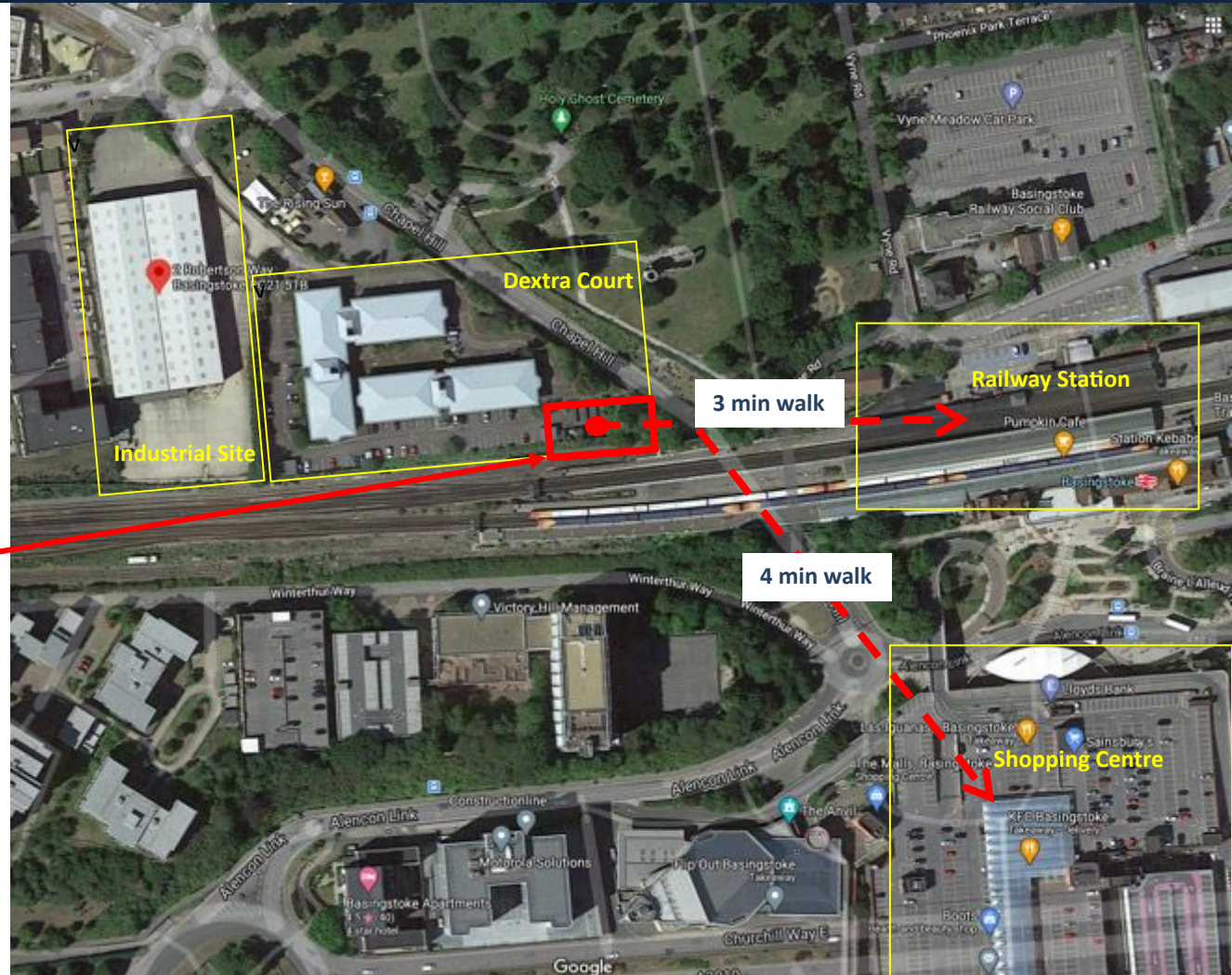




Dextra Court has excess parking capacity and is close to many amenities

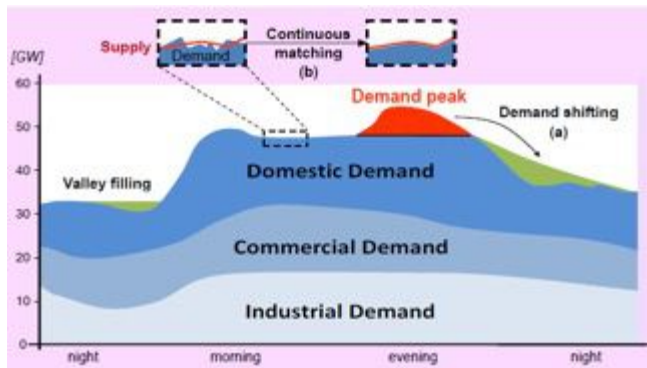
Shared EV Charging Station

- Dextra Court Residents
- Train Commuters
- Shoppers
- Courier Fleet overnight parking



4: Future Eco-system Infrastructure

Demand Side Response



Flexitricity

- Frequency Response
- Load balancing
- Peak Shaving
- Storage

Onsite Electric Vehicle Charging Capability



- Residents
- Commuters
- Fleet owners

Revenue generation
selling utilized
Capacity to the grid

Up to 300kVA supply
Up to 0.5 mWh storage

Dextra Court Energy Eco-system



- Hardware Infrastructure
- Software Management Platform
- Vehicle to Grid



2: Flat Level Solution: Smart Heat

Smart Heat solution is made up of three IOT solutions connected together on its own Wifi communications infrastructure.

1: TADO Smart Room Thermostat



Manage Air Temperature

- Monitors and records temperature
- Controls temperature to variable time blocks across the day
- Detects window/door open
- Detects when you have left home
- Monitors air quality (including carbon monoxide)

Manage Water Heating

- Reduce unnecessary heating events
- Water temperature optimization
- Move heating events to low cost tariffs
- Store heat during excess generation
- Legionella control management

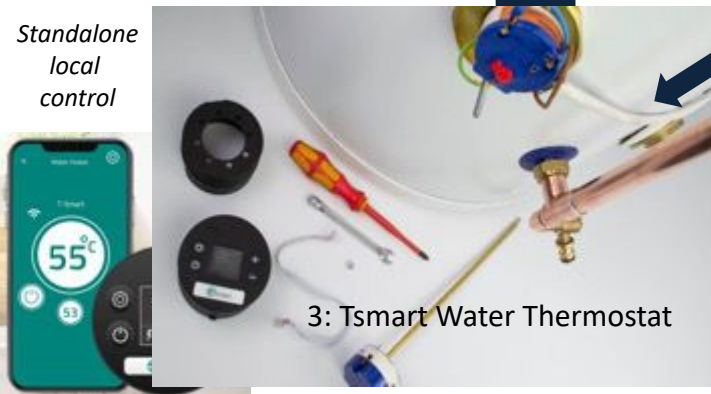
Manage Heat

- Stores heat during low cost tariffs
- Releases heat progressively thru day
- Adaptive learning to use conditions
- Store heat during excess generation



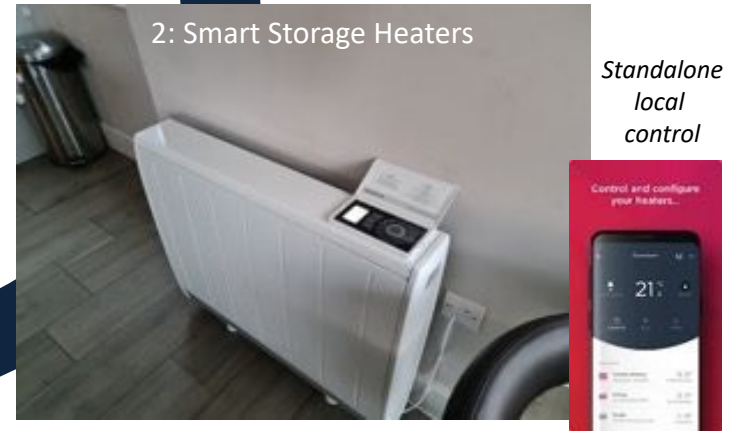
4G "Mifi" Connector
(Flat infrastructure)

Standalone
local
control



3: Tsmart Water Thermostat

2: Smart Storage Heaters



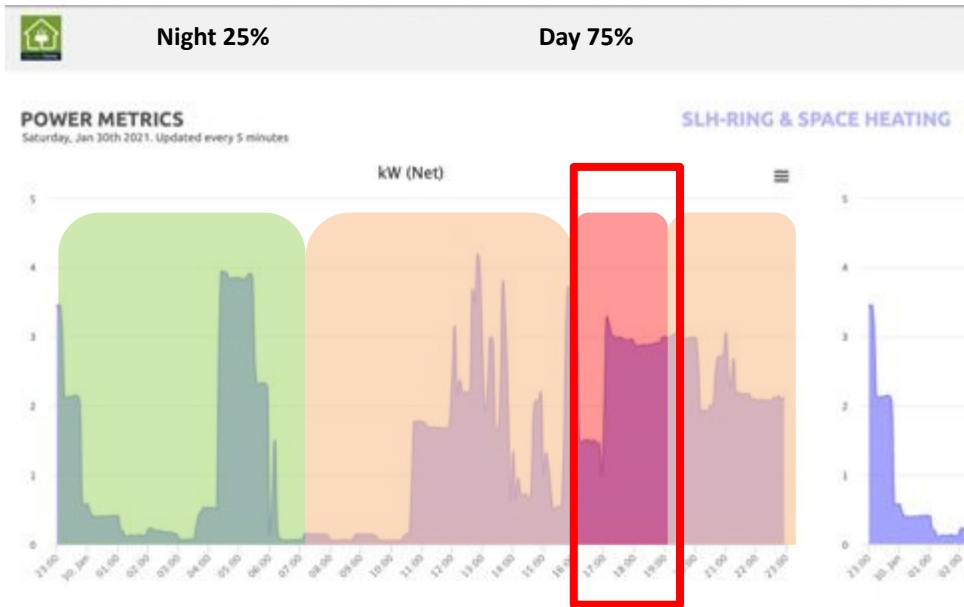
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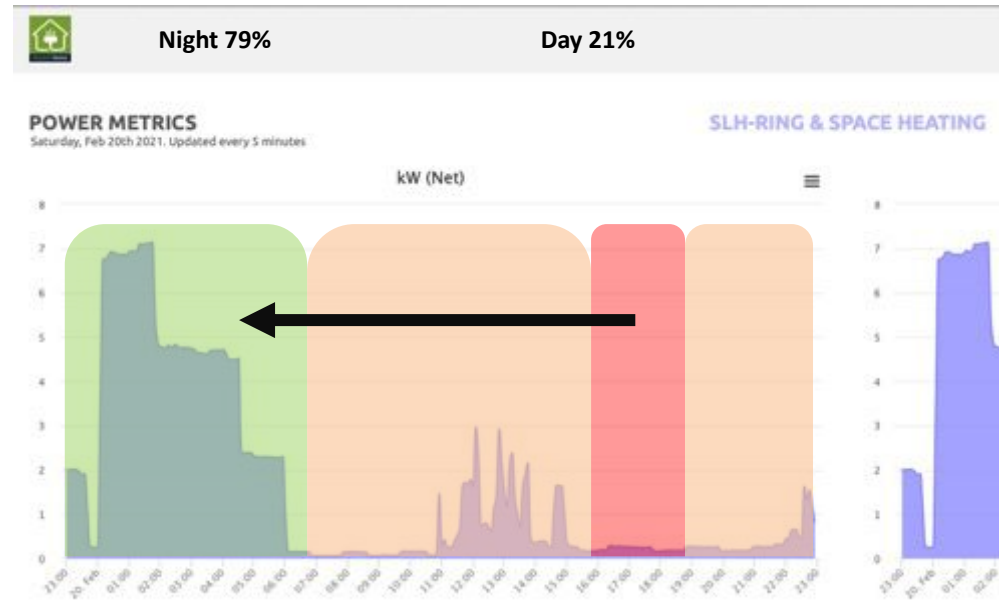


Smart Storage Heaters – 25-32% saving cost per day

Before: Total Daily Consumption 37 kWh



After: Daily Consumption 37 kWh

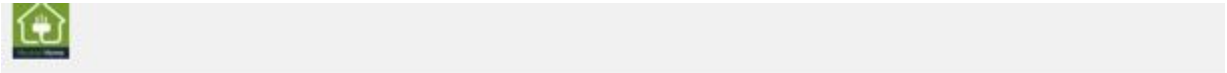


Tariff Type	Before		After	
	Cost/Day	%	Cost/Day	%
Flat Rate	£ 5.71	100%	£ 5.71	100%
Day/Night	£ 5.52	97%	£ 4.27	75%
Tri Band	£ 5.68	99%	£ 3.89	68%
Agile	£ 4.77	84%	£ 3.36	59%



Smart Water Heater – Saving

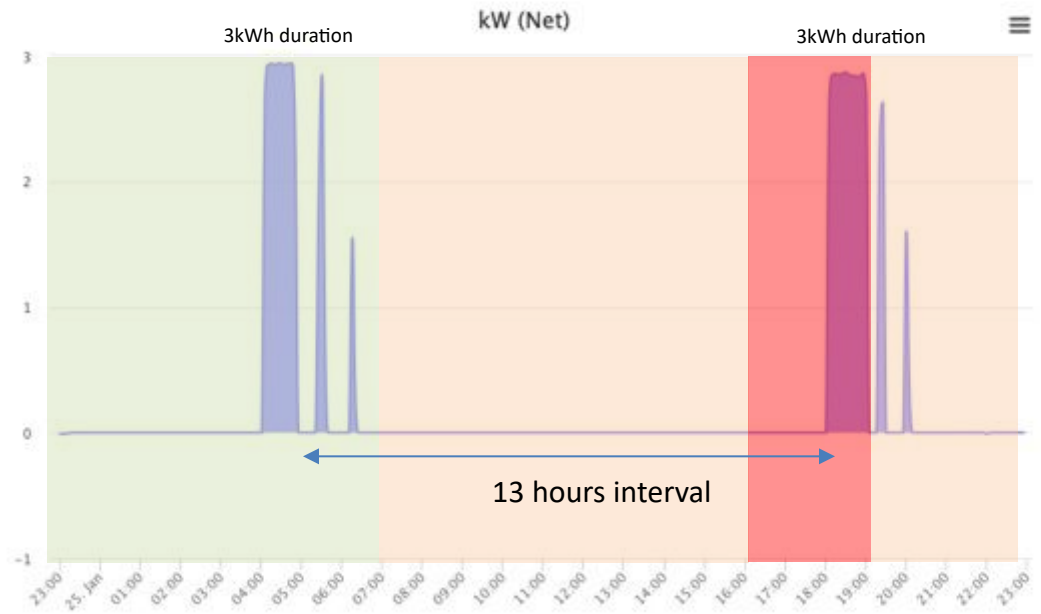
How the Tsmart will be controlled by optimizing heating events and timings



POWER METRICS

Monday, Jan 25th 2021. Updated every 5 minutes

SLH - HOT WATER



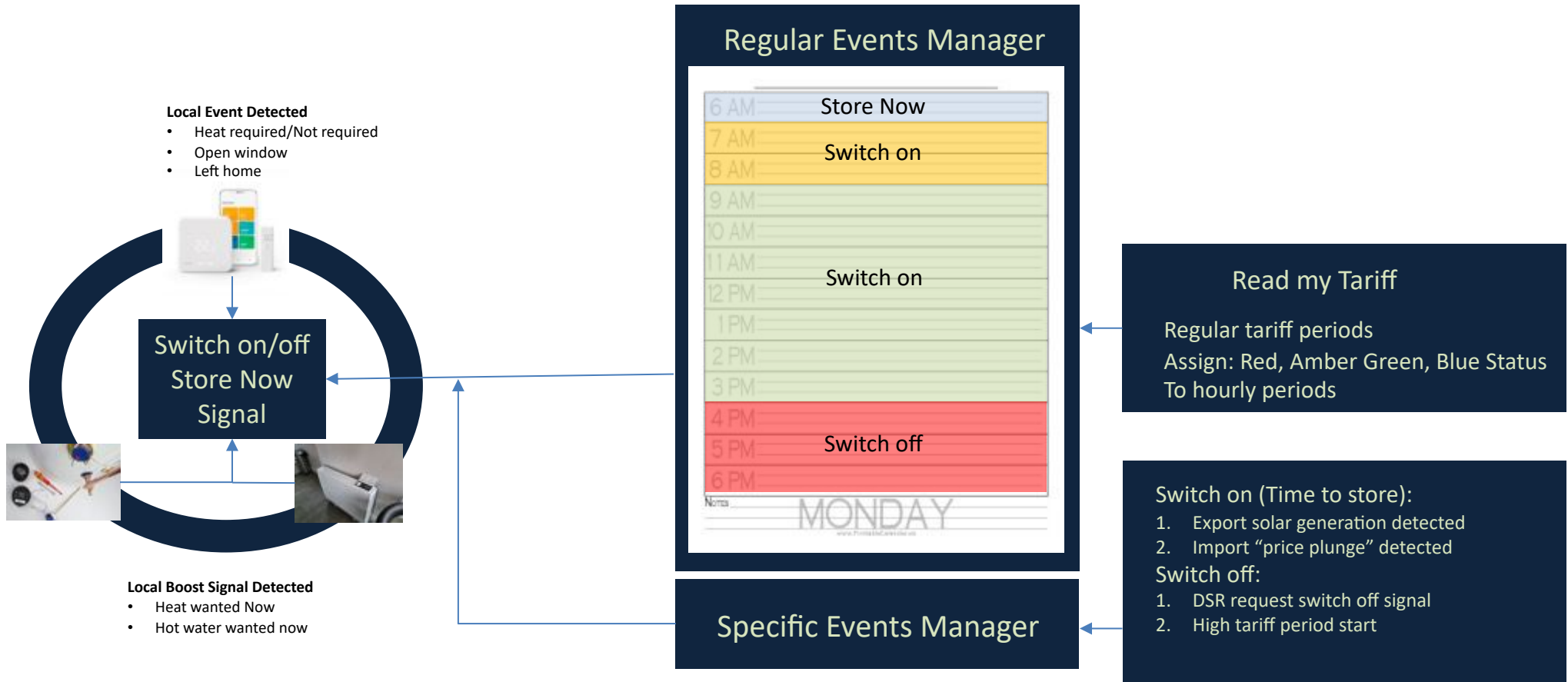
	<u>Energy</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Tariff</u>	<u>Cost</u>
DHW event 1:	3kWh	04.00-05.00	9.99p	£ 0.299
DHW event 2:	3kWh	18.00-19.00	31.3p	£ 0.939
Daily Total	6kWh	2 hours	13.7p	£ 1.24
Monthly				£ 38.38
Annual				£460.54

Set Temperature: 45 C
 Switch on: 41 C
 Switch off: 49 C
 Measured cooling rate: 0.6 C per hour

Proposed Action:
 1: Event 1: Heat until **4C** ($49+3*0.6= 50.8C$)
 2: Event 2: Bring switch on to **15.00** (Day zone)
 3: Event 2: Heat until **45C** ($41=7*0.6=45.2C$)
Saving 48% (£ 18.26 per month)



2: Smart Heat - Event Manager



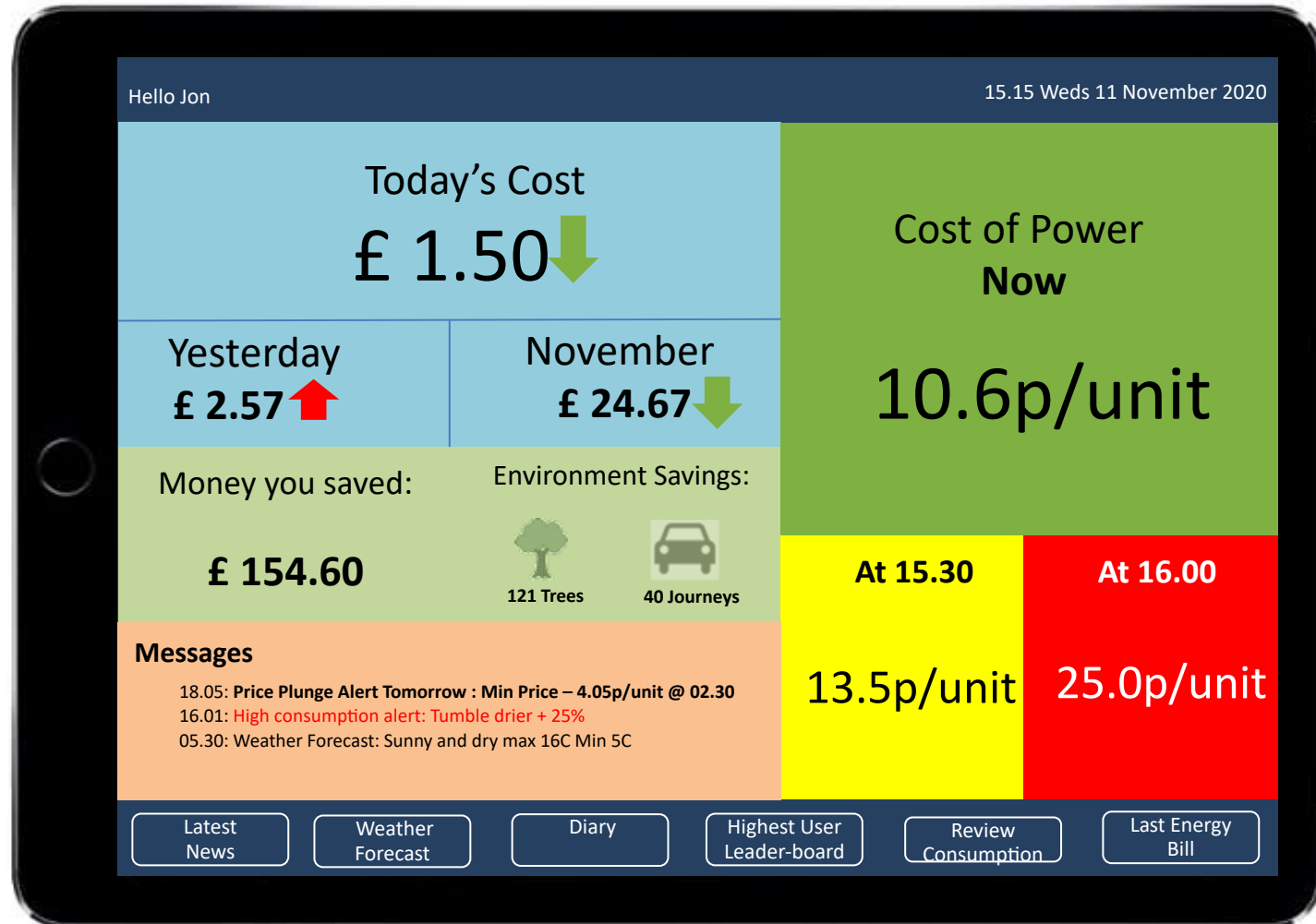


Tenant Engagement - The Language of Money

Issues with Smart Meters*

- 1.The word "Smart-Meter" is toxic
- 2.Smart meters don't work"
- 3.Smart meters don't save money
- 3.Smart meters stop them from "switching"
- 4.Smart meters are a trojan horse
- 6.Don't try and change my behaviour
- 7.I know where the "off switch" is
- 8.Believe it's a way to save on meter readers

* Recent survey in *The Guardian*





The Vision

Neutral Home

To contribute to the decarbonization of the UK housing stock

To make an affordable and accessible pathway for householders to save money by entering the new agile energy market

To integrate the best technologies for each project and optimize the business case for energy efficiency



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