

LCNF Full Submission

Supplementary Answer Form

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Question:	Can you elaborate on the contribution to alleviating fuel poverty?
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Answer:	<p>There is the potential for significant offerings to alleviate fuel poverty, where such customers are willing and able to offer demand side response services. We will develop pricing incentives and the application of heat storage control devices, which will be evaluated, and considered in light of the specific areas of the network that can be addressed; since not all parts have a significant fuel poor element. The Tracking and Inferencing Model will determine the impact and benefit of such features.</p> <p>Also, we will promote renewable technologies and insulation schemes (through the CERTs scheme) within the Bracknell area in the public and private sectors, with particular emphasis on reducing fuel poverty. The nature of the renewable technologies may require some capital outlay and the incentive schemes require a levy on customers to fund them. It may be the more well-off who can take advantage of these initiatives and are perversely being funded by the fuel poor.</p> <p>In the case of PVs, we will engage with companies to fund the initial capital outlay, and recover their contribution from the Feed-In-Tariff Scheme (FiTs). Energy produced by the PVs will therefore be "free" to the participating property, and the occupiers will be encouraged to utilise PV output to their maximum advantage, and reduce their energy bill accordingly; which will be a lower proportion of their disposable income and they will be removed from the fuel poor threshold calculation. Certain properties may not be suitable for PVs, and we will be seeking to develop a scheme where these customers can also benefit, and be removed from the fuel poor classification. We hope to be discussing this approach with the Fuel Poor Advisory Group and the Energy Savings Trust.</p> <p>This will provide a working model for renewable energy solutions that will be privately funded initiatives, promoting renewables and alleviating fuel poor, and will present a rapid deployment opportunity for the rest of GB.</p>
Attachments:	