

# Rapid charging network study

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Transport for London

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# A series of drivers are contributing to an increasing requirement for electric mobility in London

## Policy context, environmental drivers

- Various drivers are **supporting the move towards zero-emissions transport in London**, including:
  - London's air quality issues, particularly in the centre where it is in breach of EU regulations
  - National CO<sub>2</sub> decarbonisation targets

## London's response to-date

- London has responded to these challenges through introducing new policies, including:
  - The planned **Ultra Low Emissions Zone**, from 2020
  - Only **zero-emissions capable taxis** to be licensed from 2018










## The Rapid Charging Network Study

- Transport for London (TfL) has commissioned Element Energy to carry out desk-based research and a consultation to :
  - Provide **evidence of best practice in deploying (fast and) rapid charging networks elsewhere**
  - Identify the key barriers/challenges to deploying a rapid charging network in London
  - **Highlight how the London-specific barriers and challenges identified have been tackled elsewhere**, providing TfL with a solid evidence base to feed into further work on deploying rapid chargers to London

## Electric infrastructure requirements




















- A series of new infrastructure deployments are required to support this transition to low / zero-emission vehicles:
  - Good progress is being made in supporting the **electric private vehicle fleet**, with a widespread 3-7kW **charging network deployed** in London (1,400 charge points)
  - However, many **commercial fleets** operate on tougher duty-cycles and will **require a rapid charging network** in order to adopt plug-in vehicles (and meet the zero-emission requirements in the case of taxis)


# A range of rapid charging connectors are available for different vehicle types, with varying power requirements and costs


	<u>Slow/standard charge points</u> <7 kW AC	<u>Fast charge points</u> 7 to 22kW AC	<u>Rapid charge points</u> 43 kW AC- 50kW DC
Outlet	   <p>3-pin AC      Type 1 AC      Type 2 AC</p>	 <p>Type 2 AC</p>	   <p>Type 2 AC      CHAdEMO DC      Combo CCS DC</p>
Charging mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single phase AC charging</li> <li>Typically mode 2 charging (32A max with residual current device, but no data connection)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Single or 3-phase AC charging (22kW requires 3-phase)</li> <li>Typically mode 3 charging (32A max with data connection)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Type 2 uses 43kW 3-phase AC mode 3 charging (32A max with data connection)</li> <li>CHAdEMO or CCS Combo use 50kW DC mode 4 (125A max with data connection)</li> </ul>
Cost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>c. £10k on-street (mainly due to cost of Traffic Order and other planning processes)</li> <li>&lt;£2k off street</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Costs for 7kW similar/ close to 3kW</li> <li>Costs for 22kW: £12k-15k</li> <li>c. 80% installed are 7kW in the UK</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indicative unit costs for 43kW-50kW: c. £38-45k</li> <li>Can be higher if electricity distribution network upgrade is needed</li> </ul>

# Compatibility of rapid charging technology varies with electric vehicle models and brands

## Compatibility of today's EVs and planned London ZE taxis with different rapid charging technologies

	43kW Type 2 AC	CHAdEMO DC	CCS DC
<b>PHEV/ RE-EV</b>	 Metrocab  London Taxi Co  Karsan 	 London Taxi Co 	 London Taxi Co
<b>BEV</b>	 smart  Mercedes-Benz  Renault  BYD	 Nissan  MITSUBISHI  KIA  PEUGEOT  NISSAN  CITROËN  TESLA	 BMW  VW

 Type 2 but only fast-charge compatible (22kW)

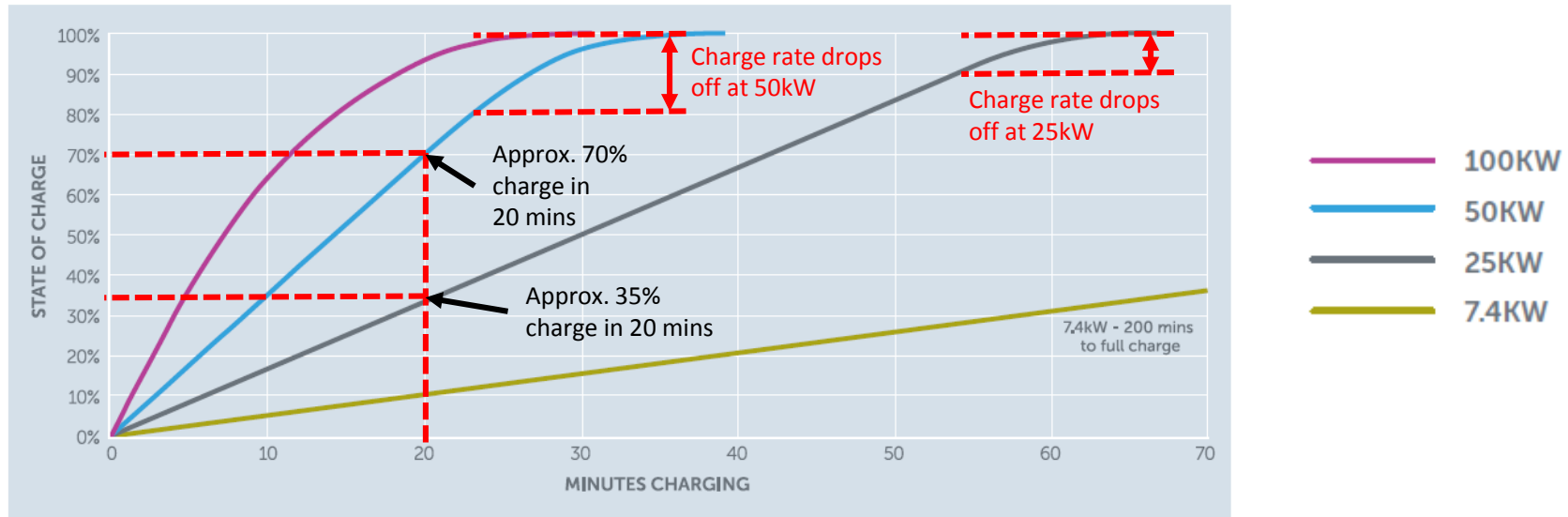
 Type 2 but not rapid/fast-charge compatible

- Plug-in-hybrid EVs or Range-Extended EVs:
  - The majority of today's **PHEVs** are Type 2, but **not compatible with any of the rapid charging standards**
  - The **LTC and Karsan Hackney Carriages** are compatible with rapid charging, but **not the Metrocab**
- For full-electric Battery Evs:
  - **All three rapid charging standards are required** to charge the full range of models available from OEMs
  - Only the **Nissan Hackney Carriage** is compatible with **CHAdEMO DC** charging

# The charging curve for different charging speeds has implications for the end-user experience and commercial model envisaged

## Compatibility of rapid charging varies with different vehicle types and brands

### Impact on charge rate as battery fills



- The rate at which batteries are charged (in kW of power) varies with the battery's state of charge:
  - At low charge rates, charging is almost linear throughout the charging process
  - At rapid charge rates however (e.g. 50kW), the charging rate drops off significantly as the battery becomes full
- This behaviour has a number of implications for rapid charging networks:
  - It can make it difficult to accurately charge users starting/ending at different states-of-charge, when using a time-charge basis
  - It can incentivise users to keep charging for longer, if being charged on a kWh basis

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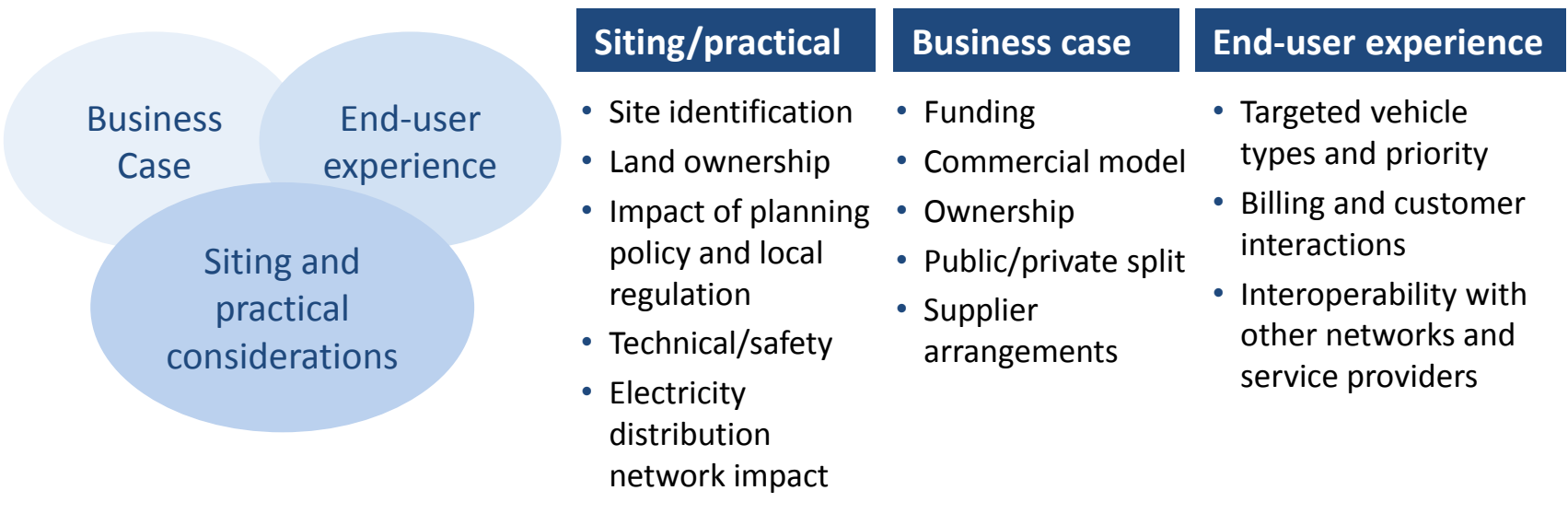
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# We have consulted widely with rapid CP network operators, to understand best practice across three main themes

## Wide consultation across the key rapid CP stakeholders

- We have consulted with a total of 11 networks across 7 countries, covering a range of geographic extents, different funding and operational structures
- Our consultation covered both network operators, equipment and service providers
- We have also consulted current and future rapid CP users, including London taxi and private hire drivers

## Three main themes explored for the challenges and barriers to rapid CP deployment





# A wide variety of rapid CP network configurations exist, from design, to supplier arrangements, governance, funding and commercial strategies

## Commercial arrangements can vary widely across networks:

- **Public/private-funded**, privately run networks
- **Privately-funded networks** operating on a commercial basis
- Networks **owned and operated by electricity network** operators
- Organically-grown networks, **owned and operated by Local Authorities** but publically funded

## Multiple stakeholders are involved in deploying CP networks:

- **Owner/operator**: responsible for developing the business model and operating the network
- **Equipment provider**: responsible for supplying and maintaining the equipment
- **Project manager**: optional stakeholder to manage the deployment of the network
- **CP installer**: separate contractor responsible for deploying (and sometimes maintaining) CPs
- **Back-office operators**: responsible for ensuring the reliability of the network, availability of data to users and managing network interoperability, etc.

## Multiple CP designs:

Various CP designs exist, including:

- Station design:



- Individual CP design:



# Key barriers to deployment and relevance to the case of London was discussed with London Boroughs that have deployed rapid CPs

## Emerging results – excerpt

### Siting and practical considerations

- Siting is seen as the number 1 barrier for urban rapid CP deployment
- Early engagement with the many key stakeholders is key, particularly in urban areas: investors, land owners, DNOs, planning authorities, parking authorities, transportation /highways authorities
- Well-funded and dedicated project management resource is seen as key to a successful rollout



























### Business Case

- Long-term contractual commitments are key to attracting private sector investment (> 10 year sought by investors)
- Procuring CP equipment separately to operating contracts is seen as best practice
- Electricity network upgrade costs can be a significant overall cost component – used as initial site selection filter
- Tender documentation must be carefully prepared, with expert advice

### End-user experience

- Many users are seen to prefer rapid charging to other slower facilities – like using WIFI and/or have a coffee during charging
- Increasing tendency to deploy more than one rapid CP per location – reduces ‘queuing anxiety’, cost advantages etc.
- Booking is not seen as essential in the early rollout phase
- Consistent pricing between sites is seen as a significant advantage
- Risk of danger for pacemaker users is seen as a risk in urban settings

















# Case studies (1 of 2)

	Ecotricity network (UK)	Fastned network (NL)								
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Largest UK rapid CP network, covering all the major UK motorway service stations</li> <li>&gt; 200 rapid CP sites already deployed, with more planned under the RCN project</li> <li>Currently free to use for all users, no immediate plans to start charging</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Largest Dutch rapid CP network, with a deal to deploy rapid charging 'stations' (i.e. multiple units under a canopy) across all the Dutch motorways</li> <li>Target of &gt; 200 rapid CP stations, 26 deployed to date, also looking to expand to urban areas</li> <li>Monthly billing of customers per kWh used</li> </ul>								
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding split between Nissan (equipment and installation), Ecotricity (electricity and operation) and service station operators (providing land via a contract with Ecotricity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entirely privately funded through selling share 'certificates', with minimum investment of €10</li> <li>Developed as commercial proposition, with breakeven at 15 charges per day, or c. 5 years</li> </ul>								
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CP = Charge Point

RCN: Rapid Charging Network, EC funded project deploying c.74 rapid CP in the UK

# Case studies (2 of 2)

	ESB network (IE)	Transport Scotland network								
Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pan-Irish network (various speeds) deployed by the Irish state-owned utility group ESB</li> <li>Aim for &gt; 100 rapid CPs along Irish main roads</li> <li>Initially free to use to all users</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LA-led organically-grown network, aiming to cover main Scottish motorways every 35 miles, as well as urban areas to support vehicle fleets</li> <li>Initially free to use for all users</li> </ul>								
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network deployment (equipment, civils and network upgrades) entirely funded by ESB, land provided by private sector in most cases</li> <li>Developed as a commercial proposition, with costs recovered from DUoS charges and profits split evenly with land owners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding from OLEV and Transport Scotland to cover all civils, equipment and network upgrades</li> <li>Individual LAs free to apply for funding to design, build and then operate the network</li> <li>Initially free, LAs to decide individually on future costs</li> </ul>								
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## Next steps for the study

- **June 2015** – Final report delivery

**For any further comments or questions, feel free to get in touch with the team at Element Energy, including:**











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# We have targeted our consultation at the rapid charging networks that were deemed most relevant to London (1 of 2)

Network	Description, extent, technology	Backing	Data source
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Free network covering majority of UK motorways</li> <li>&gt;220 rapid CP sites (mixture of CHAdeMO, AC, CCS)</li> </ul>		Ecotricity, CPS, APT, Nissan, ZCF
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two road axes: North-South and East-West connecting major roads/ports in UK and Ireland</li> <li>74 CCS/CHAdeMO/AC rapid CPs</li> </ul>		CPS, APT, Nissan, ZCF
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>London-wide network, annual membership fee and access to Ecotricity network</li> <li>C. 1,400 3-7kW charge points</li> </ul>		Source London lessons learned guidance (TfL)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Largest Nordic rapid-charging network, covering Sweden, Finland and Norway with PAYG CP</li> <li>75 rapid CPs currently, aim for 145 rapid out of c. 500 overall by end of 2015</li> </ul>		Fortum, Renault Norway
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Netherlands-wide rapid charging network, based at services stations, PAYG and subscription options</li> <li>Full highway coverage (&gt;200) sought (currently 26, installing 1 per week), extension along highways in SE (35), DK (23), DE (67), NL (35) as well as in Dutch cities</li> </ul>		Fastned



# We have targeted our consultation at the rapid charging networks that were deemed most relevant to London (2 of 2)

Network	Description, extent, technology	Backing	Data source
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planned France-wide charging network, offering free charging to Nissan users via a smart card</li> <li>130 rapid chargers to be installed at Auchan stores by end 2015, to add to 120 already at Nissan dealers</li> </ul>	 	Nissan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Network running North-South across West-Coast US, linking with other local urban networks</li> <li>Aiming to deploy rapid CP every 25 miles across California, Oregon and Washington states</li> </ul>	Various EV-focused and other AQ federal funds	Drive Oregon
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Various rapid-charging networks, backed by OEMs, fuel retailers and Governments</li> <li>&gt;3,000 CHAdeMO chargers in Japan<sup>4</sup>, Ministry of Economy, Trade &amp; Industry long-term aim for 36,000</li> </ul>	Various OEMs, municipalities, fuel retailers	Nissan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local-Authority led rapid CP network across Scotland, coordinated by Transport Scotland</li> <li>Aim to have one rapid CP every 35 miles along major roads, plus plans to deploy in urban areas</li> </ul>	 	Transport Scotland
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government-backed and utility-led extensive fast and rapid charging network across Ireland</li> <li>Deploying a wide range of chargers, including 100 rapid CPs across Ireland's motorways</li> </ul>	Funding based on levy on electricity charges	ESB