



# GC0086, Open Governance A User Perspective

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# Problems with the current arrangements



Can frustrate legitimate change, e.g.  
Eggborough two-shifting limit



Lacks adequate 'checks and balances', e.g. with  
regard to TSO driven fundamental change such as RfG Code



Inadequate process discipline and focus, e.g.  
Power Available and Frequency Response work; time to  
reach conclusion and scope creep is a problem



Accessibility and transparency



Independence, (code governance should be seen to be  
managed for the benefit of all affected parties)

# Answer – GC0086 adopt ‘CUSC style’ code governance

- Proposed jointly by Eggborough Power Ltd, Energy UK, E.ON, ESBI, SSE and Waters Wye
- Fits with “good industry practice” accepted by Ofgem including the [Code Administrators Code of Practice](#)
- But amended to reflect the nature of the Grid Code
- Also includes amendments to better reflect Ofgem’s SCR process

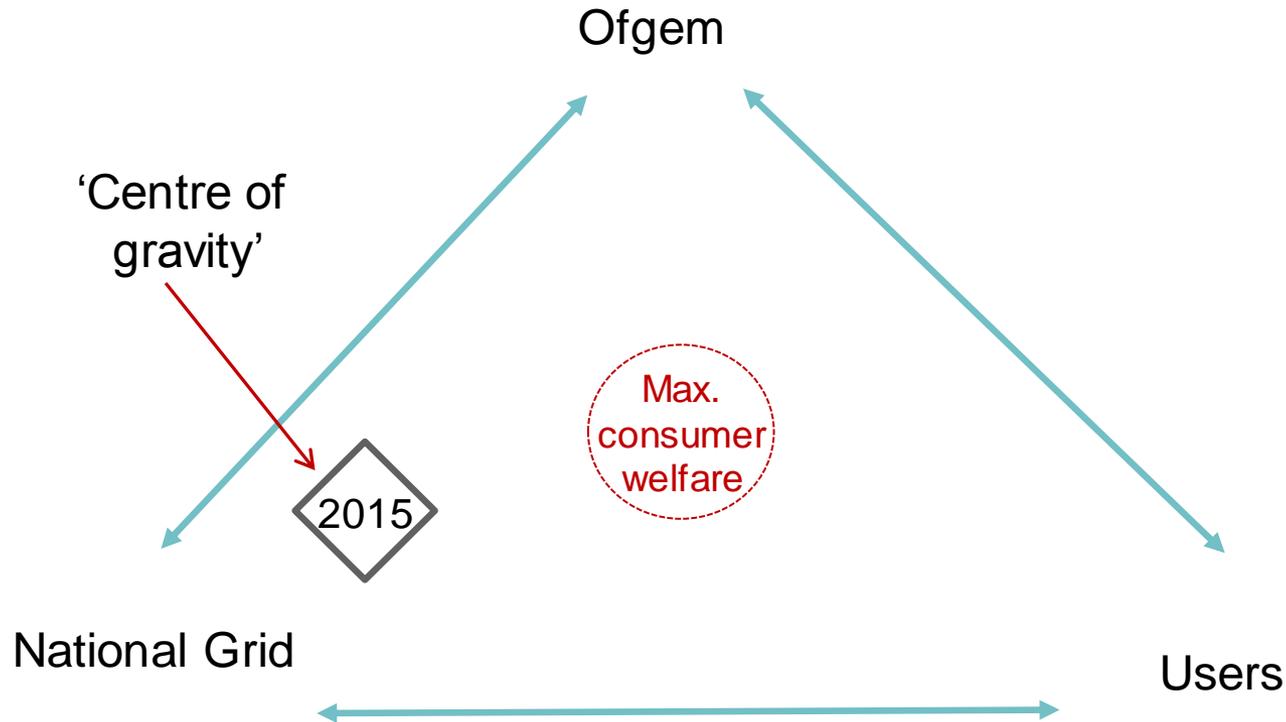
# Key Features

- A formal right for users, consumer groups and designated affected parties to propose modifications and for Ofgem to consider these
- Proposer 'ownership' and process for considering alternatives
- Independent chairperson
- Time bound modification assessment process
- New processes for urgent, 'self-governance' & 'housekeeping' modifications
- A smaller broader-based Panel with elected industry members and consumer representatives
- The new Panel would focus on managing the modification process and (by majority vote) make recommendations on modifications
- A Grid Code Advisory Forum (aka GCDF) would deal with pre-code development issues and technical matters
- Grid Code Issues Groups could also be established as required

# Workgroup considerations

- Proposers wanted a much reduced Panel but others were concerned about TSO representation including OFTOs and interconnectors
- Panel still too large?
- New role for Panel led to the proposal for a GCAF, but unlike the existing Panel open to all
- Some uncomfortable with a move away from consensus decisions, but majority believe voting breaks deadlock and allows decisions to be made on the weight of arguments

# Current Influence over Grid Code outcomes



# Future influence over Grid Code outcomes

