## **Developer Day**



**Unlocking Value from Smart Meters** 

## There is more demand for water and less predictable supply

There has been a **30%** increase in England's population from 1961 to 2021

The future climate of North West England The University of Manchester, June 2022

By 2050

Summers will be 18% drier

Longer

s will be **13%** wetter

Shorter wetter winters

Each using more water

More

people

Personal water use in the home has increased by over **60%** since the 1960s





## **UU** is committed to water sustainability in the North West



We need to use our water more sustainably and more responsibly. This means using less and losing less. UU is committed to further reducing leakage and encouraging water efficiency to help ensure future water resilience.

#### Leakage

Leakage

**50%** (~224 Ml/d) reduction by 2050 (compared to 2017 levels ~449 Ml/d)

PCC

**Per Capita Consumption** 

110 litres/person/day by 2050

Business Usage

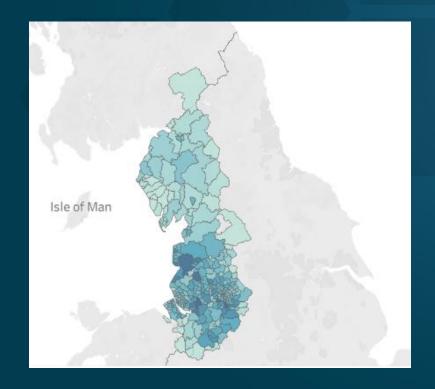
**Business Usage reduction** 

8.3 % reduction by 2030 15% reduction by 2050

## **Current Metering Challenges in United Utilities**

We operate 1.64m meters, 89% of which are domestic. These meters are concentrated in the south of our region



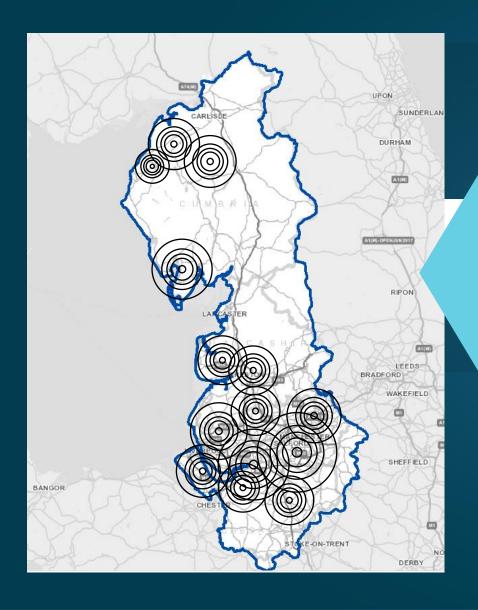


We have one of the lowest water company HH meter penetrations (49%) and have modest AMP7 growth (+6% meter penetration)



Our meters are either read visually or
Utilise AMR technology with the ability to collect reads when driving or walking by

## Smart meters will be installed in mass – The Smart meter data will support the reduction of water use and identify losses



Roll out Advanced metering Infrastructure

### New meter installs

- Customer Requested
- **Enhanced** Metering

#### Renewals

- Fix on Fail
- **Pro-active**

New Connection

#### United Utilties - Metering Work volumes



# What does this mean to VOU?

Different
Metering
Technology

Incentives to build more efficient homes

Review of Meter location policy for Smart Technology Rollout

Ease of Installation

Ability to procure directly

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# Meter Location policy review?

Above ground meter external to the dwelling?

Above ground level -Communal areas in apartments



#### **Benefits to consider**

- Leakage continuous supply pipe from main
- Reduced Property damage during build stage
- HBF and Water UK best practice guidelines
- Replacement reduced customer impact
- Smart Technology connectivity

#### **Challenges**

- Product choice sole active supplier
- Importance of correct installation Training
- Supply pipe through wall structure disruptive to alter
- Different wall structures/rendering

Formal Industry Consultation (Please Respond!)