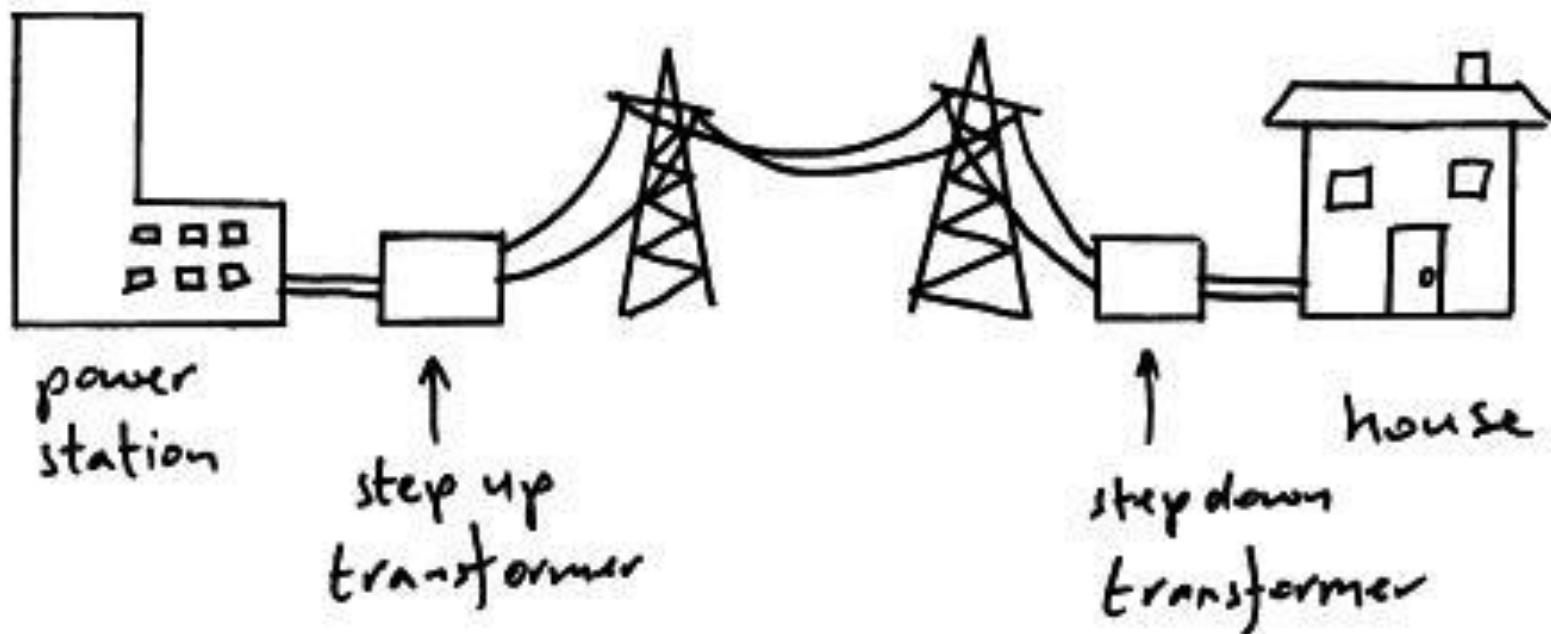


# **A smart, flexible energy system and the role of local authorities**

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# Energy is changing



# Top down policy approach

- National targets
- National responsibility
- National infrastructure
- National policy and budgets



# Change brings challenges

## Energy

- Cost v clean v secure
- Power v heat v transport
- Regulation v incentives

## Wider challenges

- BREXIT
- Austerity
- Health

# Challenges for local energy

- Evidence and evaluation
- Scale
- Duplication v Cheaper v value for money



# Energy is more important locally

- Devolution
  - National and local
  - Business rates and finance
- Local Growth
  - Budgets
  - Infrastructure commission
- International commitments
  - Covenant and compact of mayors



# Opportunities

- Integrate heat, power, transport solutions
- Integrate housing, waste, energy, transport policy
- Integrate growth, efficiency, health and energy outcomes

# Local Delivery

- Green Deal Communities
- Central Heating Fund
- Health Booster Fund
- Rural / Urban Community Energy funds



# Solution ??

- Local Leadership
- Local integration
- Local Solutions
- Local benefits

# Investing £1m now

- LEPs (West Midlands)
  - Benchmarking
  - ERDF support
- Comms support (Nottingham)
- Evidence (Greater Manchester)
  - SCATTER
  - Cost Benefit Analysis
- Health evidence (Liverpool and Cornwall)
  - Local project evaluation and evidence
  - GP and local ‘toolkits’

# Investing £1m now

- LEPs Strategy
  - Cornwall / Heart of South West / Dorset
  - Cambs / New Anglia / Herts
  - Solent
  - Marches
  - West of England
  - Cheshire
  - Leeds
  - Yorks / North Yorks / East Riding
  - Cumbria

# what more do you need ?

- Finance
- Capacity v capability
- Responsibility
- Stability