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'Grow Your Own' – an energy strategy for the future

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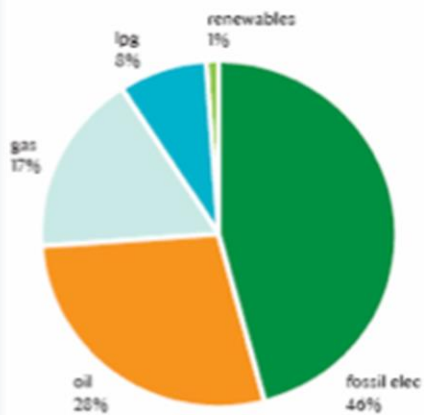
Presentation to APSE
Hydroelectric Power Event

Wednesday 27th May 2015



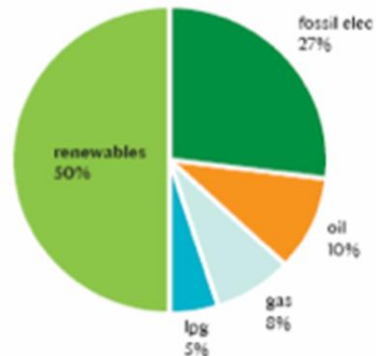
Meeting our 2020 energy targets

Energy shift 2008 – 2020



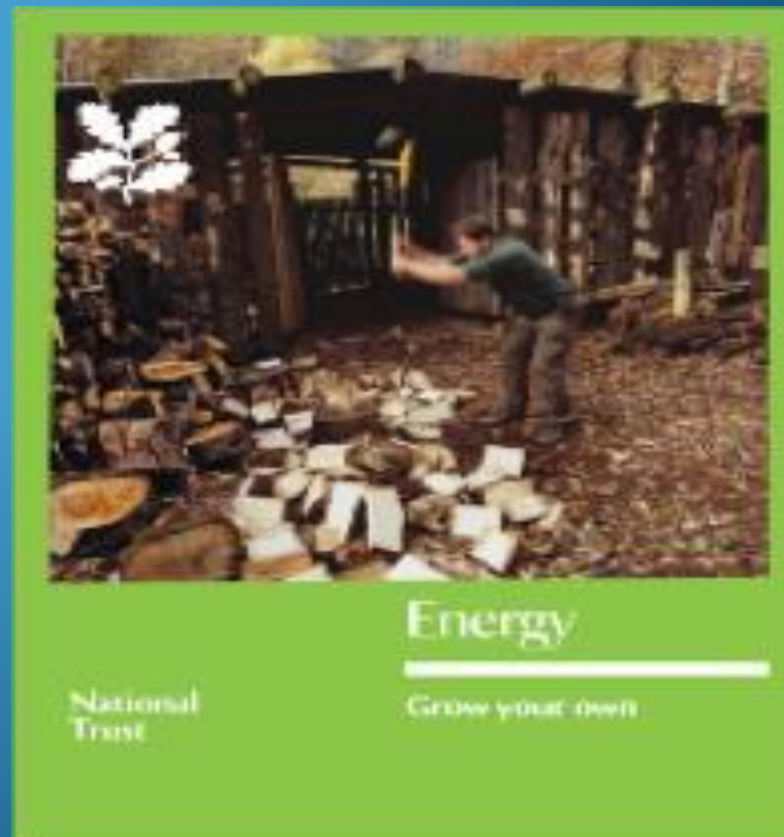
2008

Energy consumption = 86,193 MWh total
(of which c. 99% = fossil fuel)



2020 goal

(after 20% efficiency reductions)
Energy consumption = 68,954 MWh total
(of which 50% = fossil fuel)



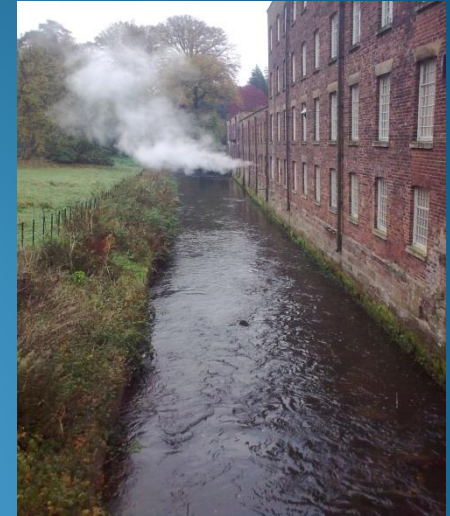
Impacts & opportunity

£6 Million per year on energy
Inefficient buildings

Oil / LPG & old gas boilers

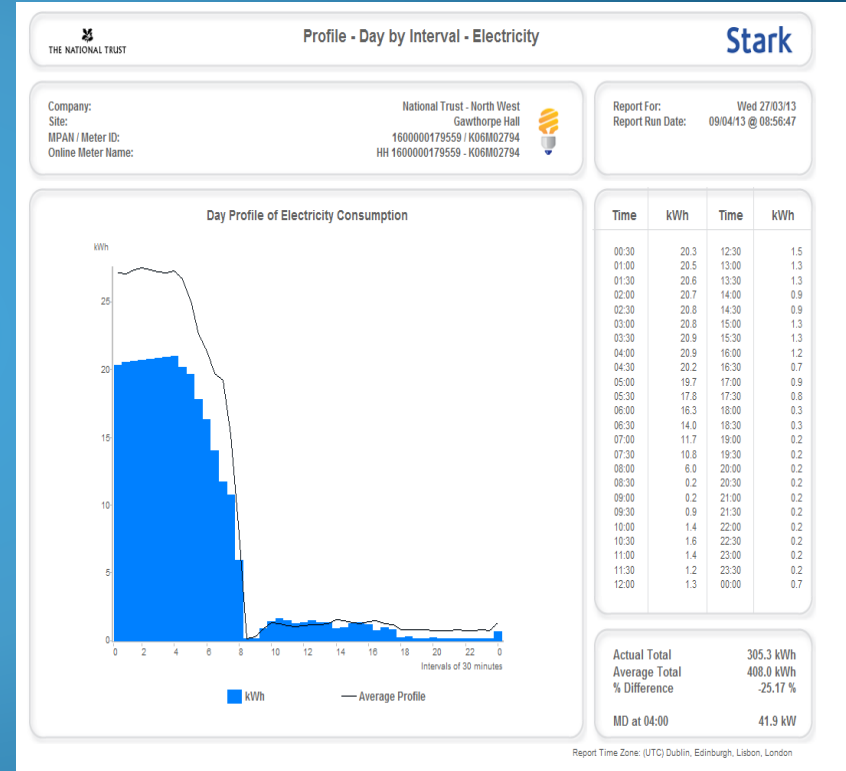
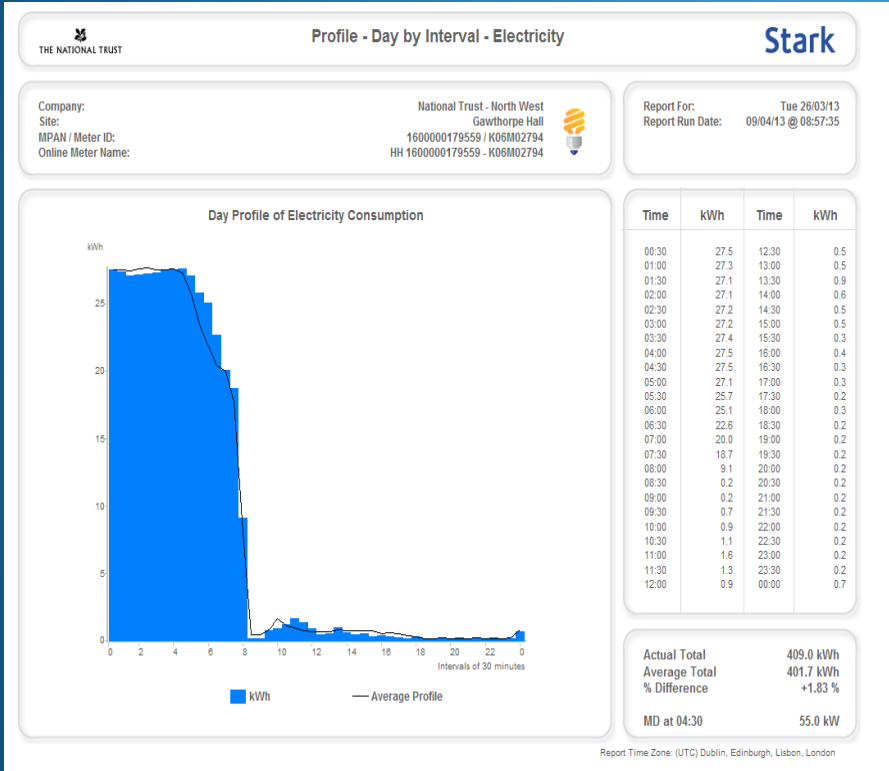
Poor controls e.g. electric storage
heaters / stored hot water /
building envelope / lack of BMS

...lots of natural resources





We haven't been very efficient !



Monitoring and metering system – invaluable in our experience – what works and what doesn't ?

Efficiency comes first



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Getting off oil & improving controls



Keeping gas but new boilers, better controls and zoning



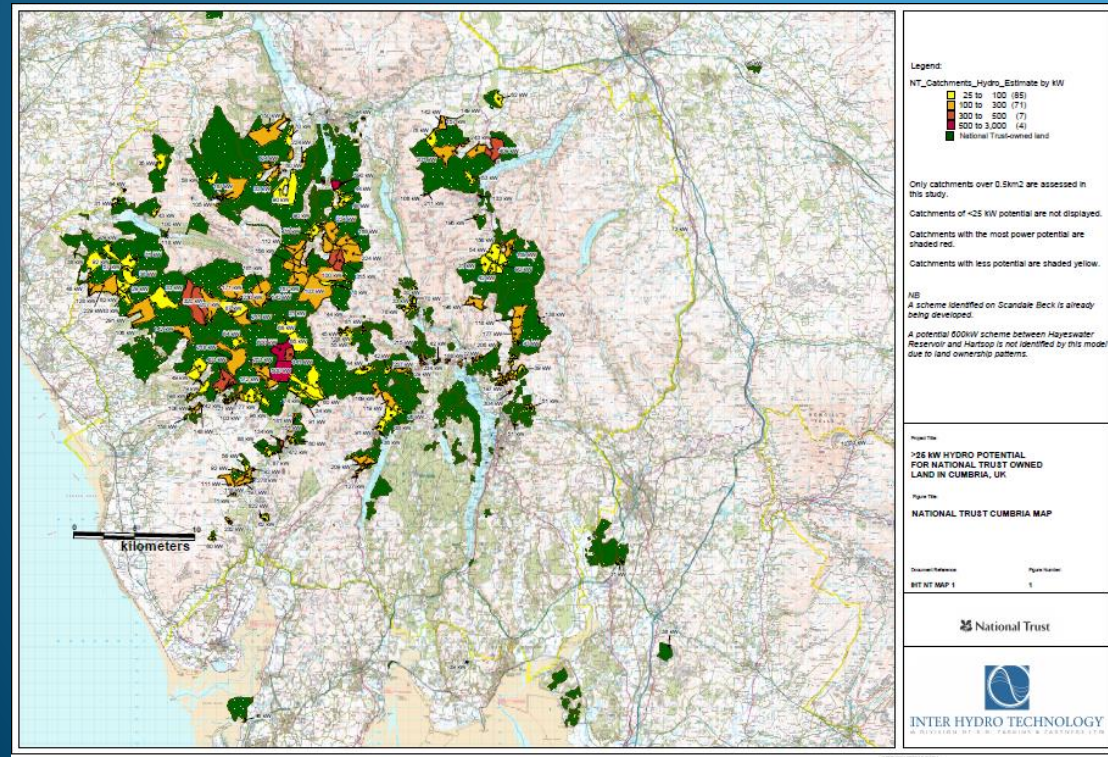
Why hydropower ?

- Lake District is the wettest place in England / Snowdonia in Wales - NT owns a lot of wet land !
- Diversification of income (2012 wet Summer)
- 2020 targets
- Reducing air pollutants & dependency on imported fuel
- As a conservation organisation, inspire and encourage others to do the same
- Supporting UK renewable energy targets

Back to those natural resources....

...but

- Grid availability – new ways of approaching this through downsizing
- Lots of NT sites are understandably sensitive !
- Naturally risk averse
- Expectations from an NT project
- Meeting our financial hurdles





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Stickle Ghyll

A blueprint for sustainable hydropower

As well as the hydropower project, we'll also be improving paths, water supplies, clearing the Ghyll of fallen trees and fixing storm damaged bridges – ensuring we make the most of every pound spent during the works.

Water supply

Long term thinking

Path upgrades

Bridge repairs

Green energy

Cumbrian skills & technology

from ghyll to grid

the turbine is kept in a building close to the river



For more information on how the National Trust is helping to create greener energy such as hydropower at Stickle Ghyll please visit our website or call 07825 450516.

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/what-we-do/big-issues

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Our first hydro in the lakes – what did we set out to achieve ?

Client Brief –
'build a sustainable hydro'

One of 5 pilot renewable energy schemes given the go ahead in 2013 – it was the only viable grid connection we had at the time !!



No regrets...thinking long term



Ongoing peer review & feasibility



Colleagues / peers feedback really important – on site



Pre – app feedback & visit from the EA really helpful

When do you announce your intentions ?

Archaeology
Nature conservation
Common land
Spirit of place
Character assessments

Water Framework Directive
Derogated reach
Abstraction licence
Fish passage
Wet flushes
Protected species
Sediment transfer
Hydromorphology





This had kept me awake at night...

200,000 visitors
'honeypot' Lake District site
our first project in the Lakes





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Changing perceptions....

How many people can we reach through our renewable energy work...?





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Stickle Ghyll – We are being judged on our first hydro !





Recent & ongoing hydro projects in the NT



Cragside 20kw



Hafod y Porth 100kw



Hafod y Llan 660kw



Quarry Bank Mill 50kw



Gorsen 15kw



Morden 7kw



Stickle Ghyll 100kw



Surveying x 40



Legal due diligence issues – what we have come across so far ?

- Covenants
- Land lease
- Ownership – land registry !!
- Easements
- Competing scheme assessment
- Substation lease
- Joint venture



...its not just the EA licences / planning / flood defence & grid !

Earlier the better in the process – it saves time, money and stress later on !



Small scale hydro (for NT)

< 15kw



Lots of opportunity with smaller schemes

Improving economics if site is good
Can link with energy hungry farms / estate offices – private wire

BUT...

Still require EA licence

Gauging & surveys cost money – makes schemes unattractive to small scale developers / estates / farms

Opportunities for permitted development on less sensitive sites ?

**Stickle Ghyll Hydro Scheme
Great Langdale, Ambleside**

Ecological Survey

July 2013

Report ref. 130105/01.2

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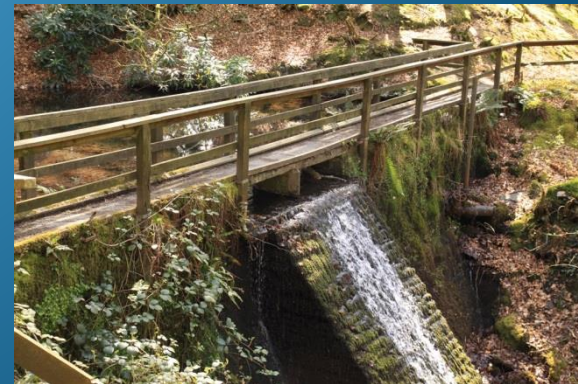
Key lessons learnt so far

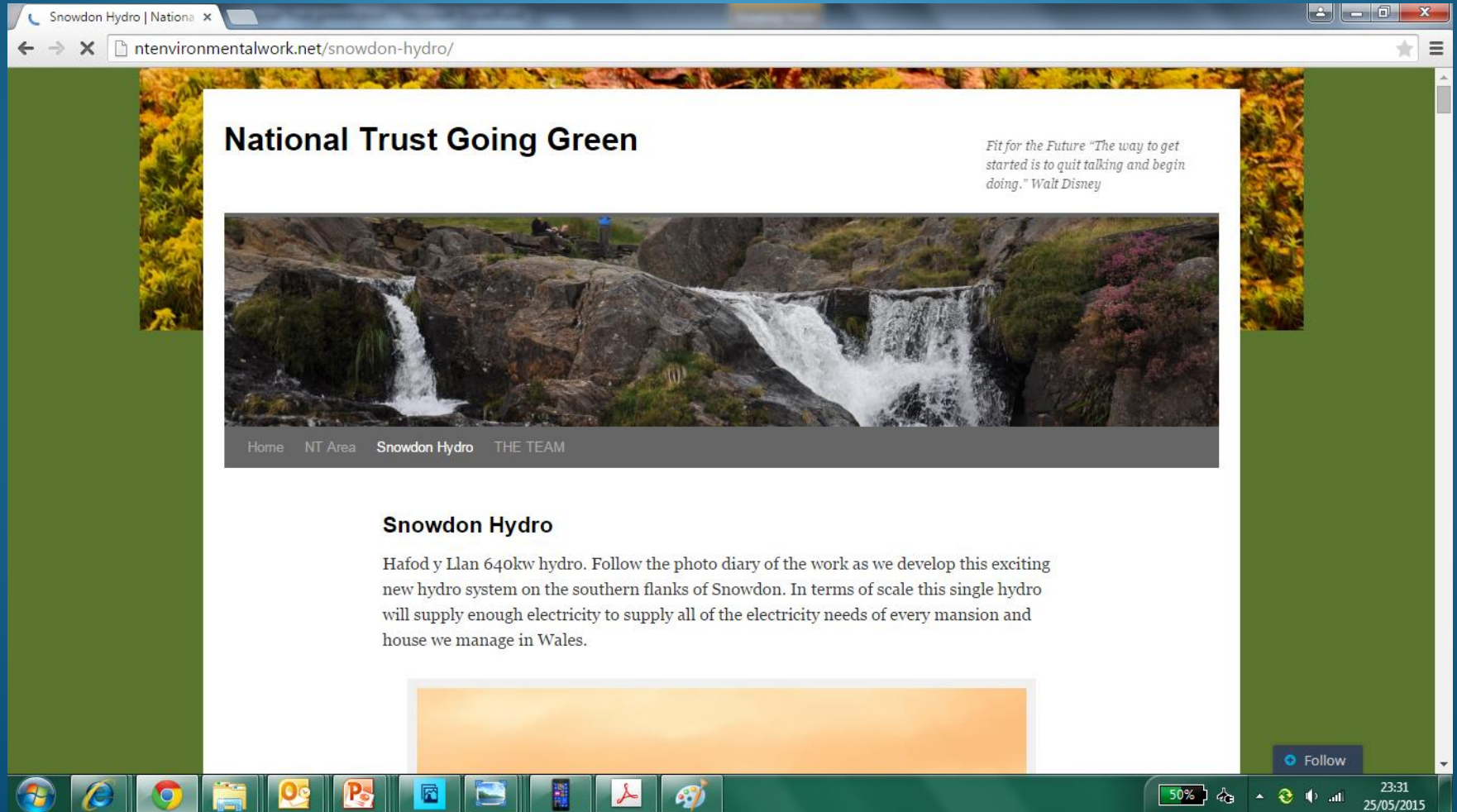
- Visit sites – obtain as much information as possible from owners & contractors – lessons learnt !
- Cast the net wide for feedback on site selection before spending serious money
- Scope out legal issues (statutory and non-statutory) as soon as possible
- Engage with planners / EA / DNO and community early on in the process – walk the site several times
- Clear expectations of reinstatement and finish between client and contractor
- Get early understanding of the FIT / OFGEM / PPA processes and rehearse !
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The future

- Scoping smaller hydro's
- Working with regulatory authorities on permitting issues
- Reassessing previously discounted sites (grid / sensitivities / building design)
- Developing at least 12 additional 100KW (approx) schemes before 2020
- Continuing our efficiency work
- Learning and sharing – blogs and fit for the future network





The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying `ntenvironmentalwork.net/snowdon-hydro/`. The page content includes:

- Section Header:** National Trust Going Green
- Quote:** *Fit for the Future "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing." Walt Disney*
- Image:** A photograph of a waterfall cascading over dark, mossy rocks in a lush, green environment.
- Navigation Menu:** Home | NT Area | **Snowdon Hydro** | THE TEAM
- Section Header:** Snowdon Hydro
- Text:** Hafod y Llan 640kw hydro. Follow the photo diary of the work as we develop this exciting new hydro system on the southern flanks of Snowdon. In terms of scale this single hydro will supply enough electricity to supply all of the electricity needs of every mansion and house we manage in Wales.
- Footer:** A "Follow" button is visible in the bottom right corner of the page content.

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the system tray with a battery level of 50%, the date 25/05/2015, and the time 23:31. The taskbar also contains icons for various applications including Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, and several Microsoft Office programs.



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Thank You

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Pop in and have a pint at the Sticklebarn sometime –
you'd be drinking for charity 😊

