





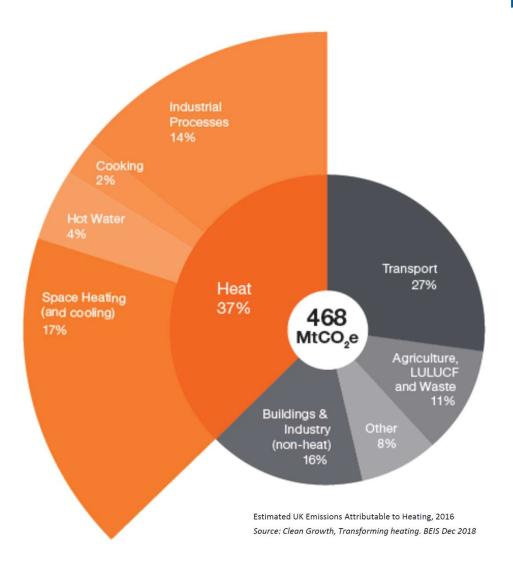
# **Hydrogen for Heating Applications**

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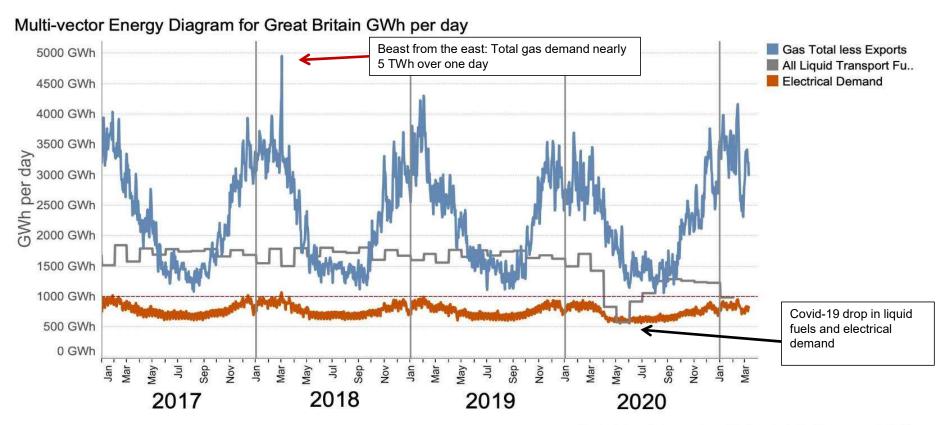
### The Net-Zero Challenge

- In 2019, the UK government set a legally binding-target to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions from across the UK economy by 2050.
- Heating is responsible for over a third of our emissions. Meeting our net-zero target will require virtually all heat in buildings to be decarbonised by 2050, and heat in industry to be reduced to close to zero carbon emissions.



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## The Energy System Challenge

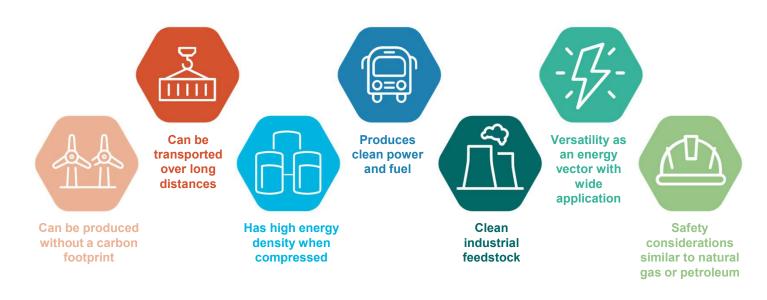




Underlying data are from National Grid, Elexon and BEIS Figure created by Dr Grant Wilson: i.a.g.wilson@bham.ac.uk Energy Informatics Group, University of Birmingham slidepack available from https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3930970



## Why Hydrogen?

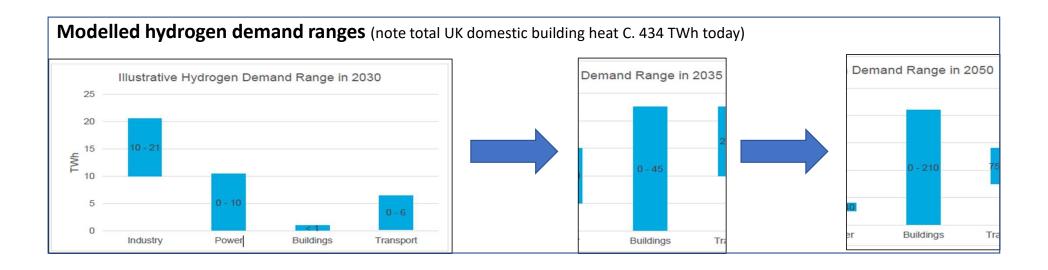


Source: ARUP



### **UK Hydrogen Strategy**

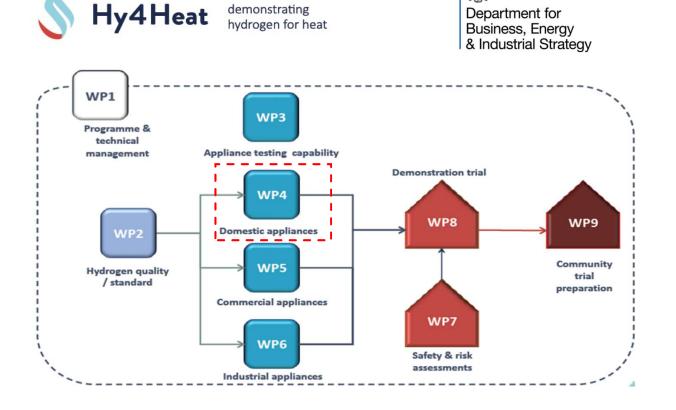






# Hy4Heat Programme

- UK Government funded project to establish if technically possible and safe to replace natural gas (methane) with hydrogen
- To provide technical, performance, usability and safety evidence to support policy decisions over future energy mix



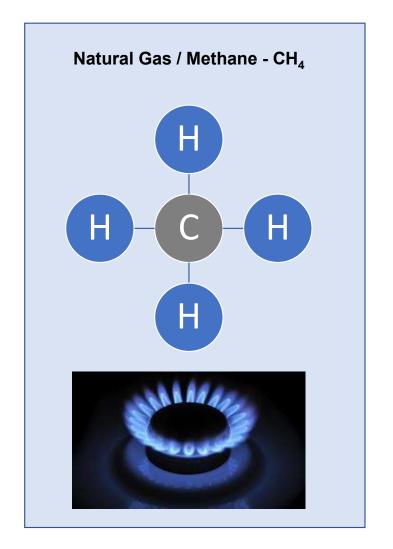


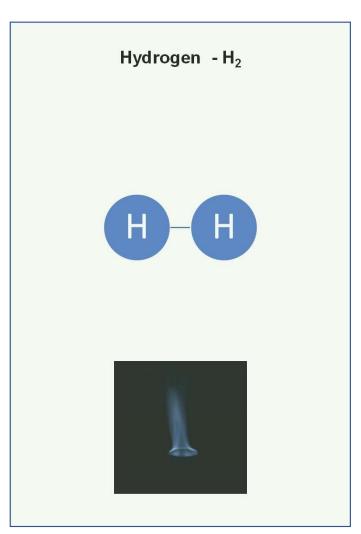






# NG (Methane) & Hydrogen Combustion





### Key Differences:

- Flame speed
- Flame temperature
- Flame detection
- Volumetric flow

## Hydrogen Boiler Development

- Prototype system and combination boilers based upon donor platform with adaptations to accommodate hydrogen combustion
- Identical size, comparable lift weight, efficiency and performance to NG appliance
- Performance and heat delivery as per NG counterparts
- No CO production potential; positive safety benefit
- Live demonstrations ongoing across the UK & EU





### **NOx Emissions**

- NOx production typically increases with temperature, levels of NOx are sometimes raised as a concern for hydrogen combustion as the flame temperature is elevated (2250°C) when compared to that of natural gas (1960°C).
- When discussing NOx emissions from gas fired boilers BSEN15502-1 refers. (in section 8.13, table 4)

Table 4 - NO, classes

NO <sub>x</sub> -Classes		Limit NO <sub>x</sub> concentration mg/kWh based on GCV
1	260	
2	200	
3	150	
4	100	
5	70	
6		56

- The UK wide mandate in 2005 that all domestic boiler installations must be of condensing type means NOx emissions have been steadily reducing owing to efficiency gains and design changes.
- The EU EcoDesign Directive limit for NOx emissions from natural gas boilers is class 6, our current natural gas condensing boilers perform well below this limit.
- Knowledge acquired when developing natural gas boilers coupled with the sophisticated nature of the gas-air ratio valve have made it possible to ensure that our hydrogen boiler improves upon the extremely low NOx levels currently seen in our natural gas condensing boilers.

### Hydrogen Ready Concept

 Hydrogen ready boilers offer a simple and easy to implement option to help prepare a significant proportion of the UK housing stock for future conversion.



#### **Pure Hydrogen Boiler**

Installed at point of network conversion where replacing older non-ready boilers

Additional training required



#### **Conversion Process**

Short intervention, parts kit changeover and recommission Additional training required



### **Hydrogen Ready Boiler**

Works on NG up to a 20% blend of  $H_2$  by volume – ready to convert Current operative skillset for installation



#### **Natural Gas Boiler**

Today's installed appliance park HyDeploy project proving operation on NG up to a 20% blend of  $\rm H_2$  by volume Current operative skillset for installation





- Demonstrations ongoing include:
  - HyStreet Spadeadam, Cumbria
  - Hydrogen Home, Low Thornley, Gateshead
  - Rozenburg, NL
  - Uithoorn, NL
  - Apeldoorn, NL
  - Bassano, IT



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