



# BENEFITS OF THE NATIONAL SMART METERING PROGRAMME

As part of the National Climate Action Plan, ESB Networks is upgrading 2.4 million electricity meters in Ireland by the end of 2024. Every home, farm and business will receive a new smart meter free of charge which will bring benefits to customers, the environment and the economy.



## A Greener, More Sustainable Ireland

Every smart meter will help us all become more energy efficient and environmentally friendly as we work towards a low-carbon future. Smart meters will help to facilitate the development of Ireland's growing renewable generation, smart grids and the electrification of transport and heat.

## Better Information

Smart meters can provide you with greater access to accurate information on your energy usage, giving you greater control over your energy consumption. In trials, consumers reduced consumption by up to 3% and peak demand by 8%.



## Reduced Need for Estimated Bills

Smart meters can be read automatically, enabling more accurate billing and significantly reducing the need for manual meter readings and estimated bills.

## Improved Customer Service

The upgrade to smart meters will allow ESB Networks to find faults quicker and manage the network more efficiently. It also enables you to switch electricity supplier and move premises more easily.



## Smart Services

Smart meters are enabling electricity supply companies to offer new smart products and services. These services give more choice and allow you to move some of your consumption to times of the day when electricity is cheaper.



There is no additional charge for upgrading your meter. Like other meter upgrades, the cost is included in your existing charges for use of the electricity network.