

MHHS Testing and Migration Advisory Group (TMAG) Headline Report

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Venue **Virtual – MS Teams**

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Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
Minutes and actions	TMAG18-01	Programme to publish the updated meeting pack on the Collaboration Base alongside the Headline Report	Programme (PMO)	18/05/2023	
Qualification Approach and Plan	TMAG18-02	Programme to review the RAID log risk around the allocation of Qualification tranches and the risk of suppliers in later tranches not completing migration, and share this risk with TMAG members	Programme (Jason Brogden)	21/06/2023	R281 is open in the Programme RAID: There is a risk that there may not be sufficient time for later Qualified Participants to complete their migration activities between M14 and M15
Summary and next steps	TMAG18-03	Programme to respond to the Elexon Representative's query regarding the DIP onboarding process during the Testing phase	Programme (Jason Brogden & Adrian Page)	21/06/2023	

Decisions

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Minutes and actions	TMAG-DEC27	The minutes of the TMAG 19 April was approved.
Release Management and Configuration Approach	TMAG-DEC28	The TMAG approved version 0.4 of the Release Management and Configuration Approach, withstanding any comments from the Large Supplier Constituency Representative by COP 17 May 2023.
Qualification Approach and Plan	TMAG-DEL29	The TMAG approved version 0.2 of the Qualification Approach and Plan.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
Minutes and actions	<p>The Programme highlighted that the meeting slides had been updated and the new pack would be published on the Collaboration Base alongside the Headline Report (ACTION TMAG18-01).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACTION TMAG16-01: One participant highlighted that the Consultation & Change Request dashboards published on the MHHS Website do not include all the deliverables that are out for consultation. The Programme responded that they had been working internally to ensure all deliverables are included and will continue to do so. The Programme shared that there are also internal discussions being had around enhancing the Change Request dashboard to include the design releases of the Change Requests.
SIT Approach Proposal	<p>The Programme provided an update on the options for the phasing of SIT approach. It was noted that after discussions with participants the Programme had decided to reject the Large Supplier Constituency's (LSC) proposal to split SIT Functional testing, but to develop a compromise with phasing of PIT evidence for each stage of SIT. The Programme shared this approach which has been agreed with parties and they would now work towards this. It was highlighted that this only applies to SIT volunteers and not Central Parties.</p> <p>One participant asked if there would be an openness for further delivery phasing for certain functionality, highlighting that if the Programme would likely to not be testing for some time, participants may have challenges in achieving full functionality at the start. The Programme responded that they are aware of these issues and if these principles put participants at risk they will need to be reviewed. Furthermore, the Programme shared that they are open to flexibility in allowing Central Parties in having a staggered delivery into SIT if they are struggling to meet the current deadlines set and this is in discussion with Elexon for Helix.</p>
Test Data Approach and Plan	<p>The Programme provided an update on the Test Data Approach and Plan, as per the slide. It was shared that the document is currently out for industry review and comment until 19 May 2023. The Programme noted that the document had been presented at the Data Working Group (DWG) and had been overall well accepted, however there were some queries on data privacy which the Programme is working to address. It was shared that the plan will be brought to the extraordinary TMAG on 31 May 2023 for approval and the planned final release is for the start of June.</p>

<p>CIT & Functional Test Approach and Plan</p>	<p>The Programme provided an update on the CIT & Functional Test Approach and Plan. It was shared that the deliverable will be going for industry review in the coming weeks and is due for sign-off 30 June 2023. The SIT Functional Test Approach and Plan is due for sign off 19 July 2023. These timings will allow for a staggered approach for participant to review.</p>
<p>Release Management and Configuration Approach Approval</p>	<p>The Programme shared that the Release Management and Configuration document which had come to TMAG for approval. It was highlighted that the document had been discussed at the Environments Working Group (EWG) and been out for industry review and comment. All comments had been addressed and the document is now finalised.</p> <p>The Programme noted that the purpose of the document is to highlight the governance around the release of the code. The document includes the planned release dates around key Programme milestones (e.g. SIT Functional and Migration Testing) and the governance around unplanned release dates.</p> <p>The LSC Representative stated that they had not realised this deliverable was coming to May TMAG for approval, and therefore would have to take this away to their constituency for feedback. The participant asked if they could have till COP to obtain the feedback, the Programme confirmed this.</p> <p>Another participant queried if there was a risk that Avanade had not responded to the document. The Programme responded that they had been given the opportunity to respond and highlighted that the document is largely standard process.</p> <p>The TMAG agreed to approve version 0.4 of the Release Management and Configuration Approach, withstanding any comments from the LSC (DECISION TMAG-DEC28).</p>
<p>Qualification Approach and Plan Approval</p>	<p>Elexon shared that the Qualification Approach and Plan which had come to TMAG for approval. It was noted that there had been comments to version 0.1, as per the slide.</p> <p>Elexon highlighted two significant comments to this version. Firstly, a request to prioritise Suppliers with larger volume of Metering Systems when allocating tranches to enable them to be able to meet migration milestones. The Code Bodies had sought BSC legal advice on this, which confirmed that this would not be in line with current BSC requirements for MHHS Qualification. Secondly, a request to bring forward tranche allocation activity was also highlighted. Elexon noted they had consulted on this comment with participants and believe this was not a majority view based on responses.</p> <p>Elexon explained that the idea is to have further versions of the plan developed in line with SIT dependencies. It was also noted that they were aware of a missed set of comments in the version for approval, however the comment had since been discussed with the participant and will be worked into the subsequent version. It was stated that the document will go to BSC PAB (25 May 2023) and REC PAB (30 May 2023) for approval after TMAG.</p> <p>The LSC Representative stated they were not in a position to approve the Qualification Approach and Plan. The LSC Representative highlighted that if there is not a forward view of which tranche parties will be in, then this can cause a risk for Suppliers with large portfolios of meters. The Representative noted that the number of MPANs needing to migrate should be considered in tranche allocation. It was further noted that the assumption made at the Migration Working Group (MWG) had been that Large Suppliers would be in the earlier tranche.</p> <p>The Programme clarified that the current Migration modelling assumes that some of the Large Supplier portfolio will come into the later tranches. It was further highlighted that these are assumptions and that the Programme is not in a position to go against the non-discriminatory laws on this issue. Elexon added that this could be discriminatory against Small Supplier</p>

	<p>Constituencies and proposed the LSC could raise a modification change to amend the non-discriminatory clause. The Small Supplier Constituency Representative added that if these discussions went ahead, then they would need to go to their constituency to obtain their position.</p> <p>The TMAG agreed to approve version 0.2 of the Qualification Approach and Plan (DECISION TMAG-DEC29). But noted the LSC concerns. The Programme took an action to review the RAID log risk on the concerns raised around the allocation of Qualification tranches and share this with TMAG members (ACTION TMAG18-02). The Programme added that the Migration plan will be based on the assumption that they will support Suppliers irrespective of their size from all Qualification tranches. Elexon reiterated that they would be highlighting the LSC's concerns when the document is taken for approval at the BSC PAB & REC PAB.</p>
<p>Testing Assurance for Period P1</p>	<p>The IPA provided an overview of activities for the first testing assurance period, as per the slides. It was noted that if a participant was selected, all information shared will be confidential and they will have the opportunity to raise any issues or concerns. It was further explained that the high-level summary going to TMAG and Programme Steering Group (PSG) would be anonymised.</p> <p>The IPA walked through the P1 Assurance Plan-on-a-Page, as per the slide. It was noted that if selected, the Programme would reach out to the selected participants before the IPA. The plan is for the first report to go to the PSG on 7 June 2023.</p> <p>One participant raised concerns around the timescales, recognising that the SIT Scenarios have only just been released, and to get this assurance completed in a matter of weeks is challenging. The IPA highlighted that this was the first period of assurance and the focus at this stage is to make sure there are correct plans and resourcing in place, recognising that maturity would increase in future periods. The participant asked the IPA to consider the amount of deliverables parties were being asked to review and complete in this period.</p> <p>One participant asked what data participants will know if they have been chosen. The IPA responded that they would be told today.</p>
<p>Summary and next steps</p>	<p>The Programme took an action to respond to a participant's query regarding the DIP onboarding process during the testing phase (ACTION TMAG18-03).</p>

Date of next extraordinary TMAG: 31 May 2023

Date of next TMAG: 21 June 2023