

MHHS Testing and Migration Advisory Group (TMAG) Headline Report

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Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
SIT Functional Test Scenarios & Test Cases Delivery Plan	TMAG26-01	Programme to share the cut off dates for when Programme Participants can respond to the SIT Functional Test Scenarios & Test Cases.	Programme (Lee Cox)	15/11/23	
Programme's Planned Major Releases	TMAG26-02	Programme to raise a risk around the potential that some major release changes could lead to participants being required to do regression testing.	Programme (Lee Cox)	15/11/23	
Actions from previous meeting(s)	TMAG22-01	Programme to update TMAG members on the status around the remove of role seniority criteria in the Code of Connection document.	Programme (Adrian Page)	20/09/23	Recommend Closed.

Decisions

Area	Decision Ref	Description
Minutes and Actions	TMAG-DEC47	Approval of Headline Report from the meeting 20 September 2023.
Milestone T2-TE-0250 (SIT CIT Interval 1 Preparation Complete)	TMAG-DEC48	Approval of milestone T2-TE-0250 (SIT CIT Interval 1 Preparation Complete).
SIT Functional Test Scenarios & Test Cases Delivery Plan	TMAG-DEC49	Approval of revised delivery plan for SIT Functional Test Scenarios & Test Cases

Data Cleanse Working Group Terms of Reference	TMAG-DEC50	Approval of the Data Cleanse Working Group (DCWG) Terms of Reference.
Requirement for a New Working Group	TMAG-DEC51	Approval of the set-up of a new Transition & Operational Readiness Working Group (TORWG)
3 Month Milestone Look Ahead & Milestone Changes	TMAG-DEC52	Approval of milestone changes to the Programme Plan.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion	
Minutes and Actions	 The Chair approved the minutes of the previous TMAG. No questions raised. (DECISION TMAG-DEC47). The Programme noted comments against the following action: ACTION TMAG22-01: The Programme shared that at DAG, the SRO approved minor updates to the Interface Code of Connections (CoCo) following review by the Security Design Working Group (SDWG). 	
Milestone T2-TE-0250 (SIT CIT Interval 1	The Programme provided an update on the current status of CIT Interval 1 Readiness, as per the slide. It was noted that over the past week an issue with GlobalSign has required a DIP change, this is being addressed by a release to the DIP, however this has delayed the completion of Participant Onboarding & Connectivity Proving. It was shared that the impact of the delay has compressed the time available to close out DIP Data set up and CIT test stub smoke testing. The residual work-off plan to enable M9 is underway.	
Preparation Complete)	The Programme shared the work-off plan, as per the slide. It was noted that the plan had limited contingency however that they were currently on track with it being closely monitored with the weekend open to be utilised for contingency if necessary.	
	Therefore, FTIG have recommended for TMAG to approve the SIT CIT 1 Preparation Complete milestone (TMAG T2-TE-0250) subject to completion of the work off plan. No objections to this. (DECISION TMAG-DEC48).	
Overview of M9 Decision Choreography and High-Level Criteria	This agenda item was covered in Milestone T2-TE-0250 (SIT CIT Interval 1 Preparation Complete) item.	

	The Programme shared that they had amended the SIT Functional and Test Scenario and Test Case Delivery to give PPs earlier sight of the artefacts through planned review sessions. It was highlighted that the review sessions have started with feedback coming back and will continue to be conducted through October and November with the involved Industry SIT PPs, focusing on specific review themes (5 review windows with 9 themes covered).	
	All Test Scenarios will then commence formal Governance through SITWG and TMAG, with the plan to have the scenarios approved at the December TMAG and the cases at the January TMAG.	
	The Programme walked through a plan-on-a-page for the reviews and approvals, as per the slide.	
SIT Functional Test Scenarios & Test Cases Delivery Plan	The DCC representative asked if PPs would go through all scenarios. The Programme responded that the reviews would include the relevant PPs involved in the tests under review. The representative added that the review timescales were short. The Programme responded that there is a further window in November to consolidate anything that comes out of the reviews and the reviews are to successfully socialise the tests themselves and not the approval.	
	The Large Supplier Constituency (LSC) representative stated that he supported the collaborative approach of the review sessions and asked what the cut-off date is for comments. The Programme responded that they are hoping to have all comments answered by the 23 November extraordinary SITWG date. It was noted that after each review session the Programme would be issuing full details of the content within a week and then the PPs will have a week from this to review, with all issues raised and resolved a week later.	
	The Chair asked if there was any objections to the approval of the amended plan. No objections (DECISION TMAG-DEC49).	
	The Programme shared that the refreshed E2E Testing and Integration Strategy would not be coming to the forecast approval date of October TMAG.	
E2E Testing and Integration Strategy	This is due to two key factors, firstly that a conclusion to the Sandbox query has not been achieved and changes to the strategy will depend on the outcome. Secondly, there are still discussions and clarification to take place on the non-SIT LDSO Qualification Testing delivery date and again changes to the strategy will depend on the outcome. Therefore, the Programme noted that once these two dependencies reached sufficient maturity the revised delivery plan will be communicated.	
	The DCC representative queried if the lack of plan would impact other timelines. The Programme responded that this will not impact other timelines but noted that they recognise the urgency on issuing the revised strategy.	
	The Programme provided an overview of the planned major releases for Testing, as per the slide. It was noted that SIT CIT will be aligned against Interim Release (IR) 2 and SIT Functional will align with IR5.1. PPs are expected to be PIT complete against IR2 prior to entry into their CIT Interval.	
Programme's Planned Major Releases	SIT Functional Test Phase will be broken down into 3 cycles of Tests plus a final Regression Test Cycle. Between each cycle there will be a 2-week maintenance window in order to refresh test data, the environments and enable change to be deployed.	
	It was further noted that SIT A Test Environment will support SIT Functional Testing and SIT B Test Environment will support SIT Migration, Non-Functional and Operational Testing, as per the slide.	

	The Programme shared that they will provide DIP Simulators to support PIT activities throughout the SIT Test Phase, and at least one will be available throughout the Qualification Test Phase, as per the slide. DIP Simulator 1 is available to industry and compatible to IR2, DIP Simulator 2 will be published compatible to IR5.1 and both will operate in parallel.
	The Programme provided an overview of the plan-on-a-page for the Programme's Planned Major Releases, as per the slide.
	There was a discussion around the risk that if some of the releases change then this could lead to regression testing and repetition. The Programme took an action to raise this as a risk if not already captured (ACTION TMAG26-02).
	The Programme noted that the monthly Kadence for SIT Functional may be reviewed and extend to two or three month releases in line with the major release model, if this occurs the plan will be updated.
	The Programme provided an overview of the IR Roadmap plan, as per the slide.
	The Programme provided an overview of the IR Plan vs SIT Entry, as per the slide.
	The Elexon Qualification Lead provided an update from the Qualification Working Group (QWG), as per the slide.
Qualification Update	It was noted that the last QWG engaged with non-SIT LDSOs only, further details on this are noted in the minutes and can be found through the recording.
	The Programme shared the high-level themes from the Migration Thresholds document consultation, as per the slide.
	 A risk has been raised by LDSOs that they cannot verify the performance of MPRS until late 2024, based on the development plan being followed by St Clements.
Mignetica Threeholds and Mignetica	The Programme noted that they have held collaborative sessions with LDSOs, Suppliers and Agents separately to discuss this. It was noted that a collaborative approach has been agreed. LDSOs will now undertake Non-Functional Testing with St Clements in January 2024.
Migration Thresholds and Migration Profile	 Suppliers have provided feedback that they would also like to know their individual migration thresholds in order to inform their internal Migration planning.
	The Programme noted that the scope agreed in the Migration Strategy document is that the thresholds will only focus on Central Services and LDSOs. Supplier planning will take place through the Migration Control Centre (MCC) and the Migration Planning Management Tool, and this will take place from January 2024 onwards.
	The Programme shared that they had engaged with many PPs last week to discuss their comments and responded to all PPs. They will be holding a MWG Assurance Meeting this Wednesday 25 October 2023 to address any queries and concerns.
Data Cleanse Working Group Terms of	The Programme asked for approval by exception of the Data Cleanse Working Group (DCWG) Terms of Reference. No objections (TMAGDEC-50).
Data Cleanse Working Group Terms of Reference	One PP asked where the document is available. The Programme responded that it had been uploaded to the Collaboration Base as an attachment to the meeting papers.

	The Programme shared that the Migration Working Group (MWG) will be looking to focus on developing the requirements for the Migration Control Centre and Migration tools, however there is still a significant scope of other deliverables which will need to be developed in 2024 (specifically focusing on the MHHS Service Management Strategy work).	
Requirement for a New Working Group	It was highlighted that if this work was included in the MWG the agenda would not be able to be covered during the session, therefore the Programme proposed setting up a new working group called the Transition Operational Readiness Working Group (TORWG) which will focus on transition (the practicality of moving to new arrangements) and operational.	
	The Chair asked if there were any objections to the approval of this new working group. No objections (TMAGDEC-51).	
IPA Test Assurance Update	The IPA provided an update on Test Assurance Period 1 & 2, as per the slide. No questions raised.	
3 Month Milestone Look Ahead & Milestone Changes	TMAG owned Milestone changes to the Programme Plan were approved (TMAGDEC-52).	
Top Programme Risks related to TMAG	The Programme provided an update on the top five risks related to TMAG, as per the slide. No questions were raised on the risks.	
Summary and next steps	The Programme went over next steps and the TMAG agenda roadmap, as per the slide.	
AOB	No AOB raised.	

Date of next Extraordinary TMAG: 30 October 2023

Date of next TMAG: 15 November 2023