

MHHS Programme Steering Group (PSG) Headline Report

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Venue **Virtual**

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New / Outstanding Actions

Area	Ref	Action	Owner	Due
Elexon Settlement Analysis Update	PSG35-01	Elexon to provide a breakdown of the type of MPAN data (e.g. Profile Class, GSP Group) to be used in Settlement Analysis Model.	Elexon	04/09/2024
Update on Post M10 Change Management	PSG35-02	Programme to explore options to provide more transparency over future Change Requests and rejected Change Requests.	Programme/PPC	04/09/2024
Delivery Dashboards	PSG35-03	Programme to mark slides in PSG papers so PPs can identify updates that have been made since v1.0 of the papers were published to give PPs more transparency.	PMO	04/09/2024
AOB	PSG35-04	Ofgem to provide an update on incentives for migration activity. This update should clarify Ofgem's stance and any requirements or qualifications necessary for parties involved in migration.	Ofgem	04/09/2024
Previous Meeting(s)	PSG34-01	Elexon Settlement Analysis model to be issued to Participants as soon as constructed and to update Participants on any changes to the 4-week construction timeline.	Programme / Elexon	07/08/2024
	PSG34-02	Programme to provide an update on post-M10 Change Management and the CR045 journey.	Programme	07/08/2024
	PSG33-01	Programme to provide information on expectations on parties post-M10, regarding Early Life Support arrangements, and ensure iterative updates are discussed at relevant governance groups to support participant resourcing and management requirements.	Programme	07/08/2024

Decisions

Area	Ref	Decision	Rationale
Headline Report and Actions	PSG-DEC82	The Headline Report of the previous meeting was approved with no amendments	No amendments raised by PSG members.
Programme Change Requests	PSG-DEC83	SRO ratified the approval of CR051, <i>Deferral of MHHSP-03</i> .	The CR051 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board.
	PSG-DEC84	SRO ratified the approval of CR052, <i>Amending the 'M7 SCR powers enabled' Milestone</i> .	The CR052 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board.
	PSG-DEC85	SRO ratified the approval of CR053, <i>ISD Publication Frequency Change</i> .	The CR053 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
Minutes and Actions	<p>The Headline Report of the previous meeting was approved with no amendments (DECISION PSG-DEC82).</p> <p>Action wording and updates can be found within the meeting papers.</p> <p>Actions PSG33-02 and PSG34-02 were deemed to be redundant so PSG33-02 was RECOMMEND CLOSED.</p>
Testing Update	<p>SIT Functional Cycle 2, SIT Migration and Settlement Testing – as at end of Sprint 3 and into Sprint 4</p> <p>Programme provided update on Sprint 3 and plans for Sprint 4. Programme noted there were no significant programme-wide blockers through Sprint 3. While progress has improved from Sprint 2, it remained significantly below execution model targets. Programme has agreed and implemented MVC in Sprint 4 as well as implementing a new approach prioritising key tests. More information on Sprint 3 and 4 can be found in the meeting slides.</p> <p>Programme provided a reminder on Test Stage Firm Targets and a comparison of Sprint progress so far against Completion targets. More information can be found in the meeting slides.</p> <p>Programme provided an update on Settlement Testing, outlining that there are no PPs on track to complete within Cycle 2.</p> <p>Headlines from PP Bilateral Meetings</p> <p>Programme provided a detailed run through of themes from the bilateral meetings held with PPs. Programme outlined the barriers PPs are facing. Programme highlighted that Ofgem have begun to scrutinise testing in more detail due to the delayed progress. Programme further highlighted that the bilateral meetings were a collaborative exercise to determine how the entire Programme and PPs can both improve and work together to accelerate progress.</p> <p>Programme also provided an update from bilateral discussions on:</p>

- PP resources
- PP views on timelines required to complete SIT Functional
- PP views on whether Cycle 2 should be extended or go into IR8.x

A PSG representative asked what Participants can collectively do to address barriers based on the bilateral meeting insights. Programme advised that it is clear something needs to change, and it is working through ideas which will be progressed over the coming days and weeks. Programme asserted that it is also looking to PPs for proactive solutions to disrupt the current trajectory.

Contingency Planning

Programme advised that due to SIT progress, it is prudent to consider contingencies. The Programme Plan contains up to 3 months of contingency for Go-Live (M10 and M10* in the Programme Plan). Ideally, it would not be required but this additional time can be utilised without needing to refer any replanning activity to Ofgem. The use of this contingency will follow some key principles:

- Must be used as last resort
- All stakeholders must be engaged
- Must be clear how opportunity will be used constructively
- Must be high confidence in the contingency solution

Programme outlined next steps for contingency planning which includes dialogue with IPA, Code Bodies, PPs with line of sight provided to Ofgem. Any likely plans will be signposted at the earliest possible stage.

Immediate and Tactical Changes to Test Plan

Programme advised of proposed short-term changes to the Test Plan. SIT Cycle 2 (SIT Functional testing including Settlement testing and SIT Migration testing) will be extended by five weeks, deferring the IR8.x maintenance window and allowing for two additional sprints. This will allow more time for PPs to achieve Cycle 2 firm targets. Programme also advised:

- The IR8.x maintenance window in SIT-A environment will be extended to 4 weeks.
- The start of Non-SIT LDSO Qualification Testing will be delayed to no earlier than 01 November 2024.

There is a visual representation and more detail on the implications and rationale provided in the slides.

A PSG representative asked whether the two additional Sprints (4.1 & 4.2) will cover all of the success criteria for completing SIT Settlement Testing and should these criteria not be met, would the Maintenance Window be pushed back further. Programme advised that the plan for the two additional Sprints is to provide more opportunity for the targets for design coverage, MPRS-related testing, key SIT Migration tests and Settlement testing to be met. Programme is reviewing the core success criteria for Settlement testing in Cycle 2 and will be discussing this with FTIG. Programme also advised that the Maintenance Window will go ahead after the further 5 weeks, regardless of Settlement Testing being completed. This is the latest the window should be moved back to avoid PPs running IR7.3 and IR8.x code bases in parallel for an extended time.

A PSG representative asked whether the current testing velocity, given the uptick in progress, will meet targets within the 5-week extension. Programme advised that although there has been an improvement, the pace does need to further improve. The extension should allow key targets

	<p>to be sufficiently met. However, it is likely that the velocity targets will not be met. At that point there will be a risk-based decision and a review of any impacts.</p> <p>Following a PSG representative question, Programme confirmed that it is assessing the lessons learned, implementing short-term fixes and assessing the longer-term impacts these changes may have, also noting that the Implementation of improvement actions are tracked and reported to FTIG on a fortnightly basis.</p> <p>Contingency – Process and Timetable</p> <p>Programme provided an update and visual representation of the ‘Plan for a Plan’ for the Scenario Review. The plan outlines key Milestones, alignment to PSG meetings / decisions and the sprints and Maintenance Window. Also included are key Ofgem interim reports moving forward. For more information see the meeting slides.</p> <p>Programme advised it will be reaching out to discuss this Scenario Planning with PPs, Central Parties, Code Bodies, Ofgem and the IPA over the coming weeks. Programme advised a Change Request will be developed in parallel, following standard Governance Process and Change Control Process - as this scenario will have impacts on some downstream milestones. Programme is targeting early September to issue the Change Request for an Impact Assessment, followed by a recommendation to be taken to the October PSG for decision. PPs will be kept informed throughout. Programme reiterates that as long as the proposed change is confined within the pre-agreed 3-month contingency, a replan is not required and PSG can approve the changes, rather than requiring an Ofgem approval.</p> <p>A PSG representative asked whether PSG can similarly approve changes to M14, which may be impacted by the changes. Programme confirmed that according to the Governance Framework, M14 falls under the remit of PSG, rather than Ofgem, as outlined within the Programme Plan. A similar 3-month contingency window is afforded to the M14 milestone.</p>
Sponsor Message	<p>Ofgem, as the Programme Sponsor, provided a video message. The video expressed concern over the slow progress of testing and advised that Ofgem will be actively monitoring this issue and requiring reporting after 16 August (end of Sprint 4). Ofgem also encouraged PPs and Programme to work collaboratively to address this issue and reminded PPs that they are all under BSC obligations to work collaboratively with the Programme and to ensure they have made available the necessary resources to support a successful programme delivery.</p> <p>The video has been uploaded along with the slides to the PSG area of the MHHS website.</p>
Elexon Settlement Analysis Update	<p>Elexon advised that the Settlement Analysis Model has been built and a volunteer organisation has agreed to provide 50,000 MPANs. Elexon is waiting to receive the data and upon receipt it will take four weeks to run that data through the Model before the outputs can be provided to PPs.</p> <p>Elexon accepted an action to provide a breakdown of the type and location of the MPAN data, following a PSG representative question (ACTION PSG35-01).</p> <p>Elexon confirmed that this Settlement Analysis Model is an output from CR013, following a PSG representative question.</p>
Update on Post M10 Change Management	<p>Programme provided update on the current views on Post M10 Change Management. Programme advised that there is nothing agreed yet and that this exercise is more to provide visibility of next steps. Programme priority is to avoid disruption of PP progress and to protect programme timescales. Programme has identified some contradictions in the code itself (BSC Section C12.5 / C12.7) which does not specifically give the Programme authority to approve changes to code, or to direct Code Body Panel/Panel committees. This carries the following risks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BAU changes may be approved that impact the MHHS timescales and/or costs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Required MHHS changes may take longer to implement as they are subject to BAU processes and potentially individual Code Body Panel approvals Disruption to PPs as a result of there no longer being a holistic view of the end-to-end MHHS design maintained. <p>Programme is undergoing a full review of the MHHS code obligations and authority and will be liaising with Ofgem and the IPA as well as running workshops with the Code Bodies. More information can be found in the meeting slides.</p> <p>A PSG representative stressed the need to resolve this issue and have the Change Process agreed and in place as soon as possible, to give PPs an understanding of the implications for the Programme and PPs.</p> <p>Programme also took an action to explore options to provide more transparency over the Change Requests coming through in future as well as those that were rejected, following a PSG representative question (ACTION PSG35-02).</p>
Programme Change Request Update	<p>CR051: Deferral of MHHSP-03</p> <p>The CR051 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board. SRO ratified the approval of CR051, <i>Deferral of MHHSP-03</i>. Programme noted that CR051 will be taken to August CDWG for discussion to see if the related minor changes to Code can be incorporated into the M6 Code release (PSG DEC-82).</p> <p>CR052: Amending the 'M7 SCR powers enabled' Milestone</p> <p>The CR052 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board. SRO ratified the approval of CR052, <i>Amending the 'M7 SCR powers enabled' Milestone</i> (PSG DEC-83).</p> <p>CR053: ISD Publication Frequency Change</p> <p>The CR053 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board. SRO ratified the approval of CR051, and the <i>ISD Publication Frequency Change</i>. Programme noted that CR053 will be taken to August CDWG for discussion to see if the related minor changes to Code can be incorporated into the M6 Code release (PSG DEC-84).</p> <p>More information on each of the Change Requests can be found in the meeting slides.</p>
Delivery Dashboards	<p>Programme opened floor to questions on any of the standard Delivery Dashboards.</p> <p>Programme accepted an action to mark slides in PSG papers that have been updated since v1.0 was published so PPs can identify changes, following a PSG representative request (ACTION PSG35-03).</p>
AOB	<p>An action was assigned to Ofgem to provide an urgent update to PPs on Migration Activities, following a PSG representative request (ACTION PSG35-04).</p>

Date of next meeting: 04 September 2024 at 10:00am (face to face)

Attendees

Chair

Chris Harden (Chair)

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