

Webinar Q&A: Delivering Milestone 3

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Change Record

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Reviewers

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1. What level of response are you expecting for Replan Round 3? What is the escalation process for any non-responders?

The Programme will be expecting everyone to respond to Replan Round 3 and would like to see a higher level of responses for Round 3 based on previous rounds. The Programme's escalation process has previously involved tracking participants who were not responding, and reporting this back to the Programme Steering Group (PSG). The escalation process for non-responders moving forward has not yet been published as this is a PSG matter.

2. How many responses to Replan Round 3 have you had so far?

As at 20 January 2023, the Programme has received about one third of the normal level that would be expected, which is positive as submissions are usually submitted towards the closing deadline.

3. Given we are still awaiting key documents for Pre-Integration Testing (PIT) and Systems Integration Testing (SIT), responses may be heavily influenced in a negative manner. Are you expecting this?

The Programme released some SIT Scope Documents released to the SIT Working Group (SITWG) on 19 January in advance of an extraordinary SITWG on 24 January. This was intended to provide guidance to participants on the scope of SIT, and the guidance is set out on a role-by-role basis. This guidance should provide better information for assumptions in planning for SIT, but obviously the ongoing conversations in the SITWG are still happening.

For PIT, the PIT Guidance document has been published on the website, which includes the latest Programme view on PIT, and is again subject to discussion and review of the SITWG.

The advice of the Programme is to respond positively on what you do know and clarify any assumptions. This can then be pragmatically reviewed by the Programme.

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4. What formats are you happy to receive delivery plans in, and do you have any guidance on what makes a good/bad delivery plan?

The Programme can provide a delivery plan template which can be shared by your PPC representative. A PowerPoint format has been used as the Delivery Plan Template, but any Microsoft App would be accepted.

5. We will not have procured our third-party service providers by 31 January 202, and we are therefore unsure of our full Design, Build & Test (DBT) activities at present. Can we note this in our response?

If you have not procured your third-party service providers please note this in your response and state the assumption, as it is better for the Programme to be aware of any assumptions you have made.

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6. What happens if the Programme does not receive unconditional approval to pass Milestone 3?

The Programme has been looking at a number of inputs, and Replan Round 3 will give a lot of evidence on Participant engagement and plans. If the Programme does not approve Milestone 3 unconditionally then the Governance element of the Programme is still incomplete, and the Programme will follow up with participants who have responded but not provided plans. This would not materially stop the Programme or affect participants' progress on their Design & Build, but it would affect the Programme's risk profile.

7. Why is Milestone 3 (M3) not detailed in the Milestone Register MHHSDEL546 v3.0 delivered as part of the Round 3 Consultation Documentation?

The Milestone Register is a Replan document with a forward plan and that is why M3 has not been included within MHHSDEL546 V3.0.

8. When do the revised criteria to meet M3 need to be submitted by?

At the end of January 2023, the Programme will look to see if there is sufficient evidence provided to meet the criteria in the Milestone. If there is not, the Programme will follow up with a targeted Programme Party Coordinator (PPC) campaign with participants to seek further information from those who have been unable to provide evidence, to help develop their Design & Build progress further.

Other

9. What split of suppliers do you expect to take the SIT route rather than the Qualification route?

There has been a positive level of engagement to participate in SIT from reviewing the responses that have been received from the Programme so far.

10. What are you doing about smaller participants that haven't responded to any readiness assessments or replan consultations? Is there a concern they may cause issues in the future with lack of engagement or understanding?

Within the Programme, the initial reaction to non-responders is how can we support you better for next time so that you can respond. Further from this if you feel you are not being supported, please pass on feedback to the Programme and we will investigate how we can improve with this.

11. Can we still participate in Systems Integration Testing if we decide we want to after 31 January 2023?

Yes, you can still participate in SIT if you decide after 31 January 2023. The Programme would ideally like to know by the end of January which organisations have expressed interest in SIT participation, with evidence to support increased readiness for SIT.

Even if participant interest is shown, it does not mean that everyone will be ready to start SIT, and therefore we are keen to encourage participants to alert the Programme on an ongoing basis if they are in a better position to start SIT. There is a back stop on 23 April 2023 for letting us know. but we are keen to support all those interested participating in SIT.