

MHHS Cross Code Advisory Group (CCAG) Minutes and Actions

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Attendees

Chair

Role

Industry Representatives

Andrew Green (AG)	Supplier Representative (I&C Suppliers)
Clare Hannah (CH)	Supplier Agent Representative
Fungai Madzivadondo (FMa)	DNO/iDNO Representative
Lawrence Jones (LJ)	BSC Representative
Neil Dewar	National Grid ESO
Paul Saker (PS)	Supplier Representative (Domestic)
Sarah Jones (SJ)	RECCo Representative
Tim Newton (TN) as alternate to Robin Healey	SEC Representative
Tom Chevalier (TC)	Supplier Agent Representative (Independent Supplier Agent)

MHHS Programme

Andrew Margan (AM)	Governance Manager
Fraser Mathieson (FM)	PMO Governance Lead
Jason Brogden (JB)	Industry Expert
Mathew McKeon (MM)	Code Drafter

Other attendees

Andrew Wallace (AW)	RECCo
Emma Banks (EB)	E.ON
Harriet Truss (HT)	REC Code Manager
Rhiannon Harrison (RH)	IPA
Sinead Quinn (SQ)	Ofgem

Apologies

Caroline Farquhar	Consumer Representative
Chris Welby	MHHS Programme
John Lawton	DCUSA Representative
Paul Mullins	CUSC Representative
Richard Vernon	DCC Representative

Actions

Area	Ref	Action	Owner	Due
Minutes and Actions	CCAG17-01	BSC to provide update on BSC Issue 101 and interaction with Programme code drafting at May CCAG meeting	BSC Rep (Lawrence Jones)	24/05/2023
Horizon Scanning	CCAG17-02	RECCo to provide view of potential MHHS impacts of REC Change Proposals R062, R095, and R0102	RECCo Rep (Harriet Truss)	24/05/2023
Code Drafting Process Map	CCAG17-03	Programme to consider feedback received on interaction of external code change and Programme Change Requests to change the MHHS design and discuss with Ofgem and return to next month	Programme (Andrew Margan)	24/05/2023
	CCAG17-04	RECCo to provide overview of prospective code change / Programme Change Request interaction process	RECCo Rep (Harriet Truss)	24/05/2023

Decisions

Area	Dec Ref	Decision
None		

RAID Items

RAID area	Description
None	

Minutes

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting and outlined the meeting agenda.

2. Minutes and Actions

FM advised amendments to the minutes of the CCAG meeting held 22 March 2023 had been suggested by the RECCo Representative, and a change marked version would be published with the meeting papers for the next meeting. Minutes approval deferred.

The CCAG reviewed the outstanding actions and updates are provided below. Full action wording can be found within the meeting papers.

CCAG16-01: See agenda item five. Action closed.

CCAG16-02: RECCo advised REC Change Proposal (CP) R0095 had been added to the Horizon Scanning Log. Action closed.

CCAG16-03: The Programme advised the latest copy of the Code Drafting Plan had been included within Programme Change Request (CR) 022 (*MHHS Programme Replan*), which was currently out for Impact Assessment (deadline for responses 26 April 2023). Action closed.

CCAG14-01: The BSC advised the anticipated timeline for the raising of a BSC Modification in relation to BSC Issue 101 was Q1 2024. TC commented this felt far away. LJ responded no changes to systems were anticipated as a result of BSC Issue 101 and as such, the impacts were believed to be low. LJ advised a consultation would be issued in due course. AW commented RECCo need to understand the potential implementation timetable to assess how this fits with MHHS code drafting activities. LJ advised a timetable was available on the BSC website and offered to provide an update at the next CCAG meeting.

ACTION CCAG17-01: BSC to provide update on timelines for BSC Issue 101 at May CCAG meeting

SQ advised Ofgem had discussed the timetable for BSC Issue 101 and the resultant BSC Modification with Elexon, and the expectation is a Final Modification Report would be provided in March 2024. SQ acknowledged participant comments regarding the need for parties to be able to review any code drafting. At present, Ofgem note there appears to be no major resource impact associated with the prospective Modification.

Action closed and replaced by new action.

3. Programme updates

The CCAG took this item as read.

4. Horizon Scanning log

REC

HT provided updates from REC:

- R0015: Timescales revised following send back from Ofgem. Now approved and in scope of June 2023 REC release.
- R0017: Change report out for consultation.
- R0083: Changes to the S Number Format, originally raised as consequential change at the Consequential Change impact Assessment Group (CCIAG). Solution currently out for Impact Assessment, closing next week.
- R0062: A new CP added to the Horizon Scanning Log. Relates to the number of times the energy direction can be updated/amended by the DNO. Currently a correction can only occur once, and this change looks to amend this to enable corrections as required. Change is progressing and is in the early stages. HT noted the one direction setting is reflected in the MHHS design (Business Process 10) and so change under REC may require change to an MHHS Design Artefact. Whilst not believed to change any fundamental aspects of the MHHS design, may be something the Programme need to respond to.
- R0095: HT advised this is a change which may impact the MHHS Design Baseline and consideration of impacts are required as the CP progresses.
- R0101: Raised in relation to R0021. Feedback from the preliminary change report is being reviewed and details will be provided. Change progressing urgently for June 2023 release.
- R0032: Preliminary change report progressing to REC Change Panel.

JB queried whether R0102 may impact on MHHS. SJ noted it may impact the data flow catalogue. HT offered to review and provide an update.

ACTION CCAG17-02: RECCo to provide view of potential MHHS impacts of REC Change Proposals R062, R095, and R0102

JB requested an update on R0097. HT advised this is out for consultation and there was no update in addition to last month. HT noted the change had been added to the Horizon Scanning Log and an update will be provided next month. JB noted this change could impact migration volumes and was important to monitor.

BSC

LJ advised there were no significant updates. TC asked about BSC Modification P432 and LJ advised the BSC June release cut-off had passed, and this change would go into a later release subject to the conclusion of DCUS Change Proposal (DCP) 414.

CUSC

ND advised a review was underway regarding ways to change the CUSC to align with MHHS. Bilateral discussions will be held with the Programme on how to align the implementation of charging requirements for December 2026. A more formal review will be provided at a future CCAG meeting.

SEC

TN advised there were no updates from SEC and no additions to Horizon Scanning Log. FM requested an update on SEC Modification Proposal (MP) 162. TN advised the DCC are providing updates on build progress to the Programme Steering Group (PSG). The group note the DCC Representative was not present. JB advised the DCC are reporting on the MP162 delivery plan, and on other CSS related impacts, to the PSG. CH commented on MP162 and noted a DCC

consultation was currently out on the draft MHHS SEC release testing approach document. CH wished to flag this as may be of potential interest to participants and the Programme. The Programme confirmed this will be discussed with DCC.

Programme Updates

The Programme advised work is continuing with Code Bodies to monitor relevant code changes.

5. Code Drafting Process Map

AM provided an overview of a new process map which provides a view on how the Programme's CR process operates alongside individual code change processes. AM advised the matter was discussed with Ofgem, and where MHHS impacts are identified as part of external code changes Code Bodies should liaise with the Programme and pause progression of the change.

Summary of Discussion

Several CCAG members noted this would be a voluntary arrangement as there are currently no provisions in code or under Significant Code Review (SCR) directions which formally require Code Bodies from pausing the progression of changes realised within their codes. The group discussed whether the approach of pausing the progression of changes was capable of accounting for the nuances of code change (e.g. where there are elements of a code change which may impact MHHS and where there are elements which may not). Several members considered the process map oversimplified the actions required where MHHS impacts are identified as part of business-as-usual code change. Opposition was expressed to the notion that the progression of a code change would pause where MHHS impacts are identified as, for example, there may be benefits to progressing non-MHHS elements of a change.

The Programme accepted an action to consider this feedback, discuss with Ofgem, and return to the next CCAG with an update. HT offered to provide information on code change and Programme CR interaction to support the development of the process map.

ACTION CCAG17-03: Programme to consider feedback received on interaction of external code change and Programme Change Requests to change the MHHS design and discuss with Ofgem and return to next month

ACTION CCAG17-04: RECCo to provide overview of prospective code change / Programme Change Request interaction process

Detailed Comments

PS noted the nuances around change processes and the challenges which can occur where solutions are unknown or in development. Where MHHS impacts are identified, there will be a need to assess on a case-by-case basis how external changes progress and where elements may impact MHHS are developed., Where MHHS impacts are not identified until later in the development process there may be a need for expedited or intensive assessment from the Programme and occasionally a 'two pronged' approach may be required with development occurring under both the Programme and respective code. AM noted the process was aiming to halt dual governance. PS noted the aim would be to stop non-MHHS solutions having to come under the Programme, and as such there is a need to understand these types of nuances and how they would be managed.

AW agreed the key was to manage nuances, and a constructive relationship between Code Bodies, Ofgem, and the Programme was required. Whilst a clean and smooth process is most desirable, there will be instances where a case-by-case analysis is required. RECCo attempt to assess SCR/MHHS impacts when REC changes are raised, and further consideration of how this operates and whether it is formalised is required. AW raised concern over the principle that a change pauses where MHHS impacts are identified. There may be benefits to progressing non-MHHS elements which can progress, and there may be instances where beneficial REC changes are sensible to progress now but a consequential change to MHHS is required. Other nuances included instance where a Code Body may wish to implement code changes at the same time as MHHS but which are not within scope of the MHHS design. As such, an early steer is needed from the Programme or Ofgem to understand how a such changes will progress and, for example, whether changes are shelved until post-MHHS implementation or sensible to wrap up in MHHS code drafting. An example was given of the S Number Format; this is out of scope of MHHS, but Ofgem would be likely to want to be comfortable change was in place for this.

ND echoed the views expressed, and noted for the CUSC there are likely to be matters which drop out of attempting to refit the CUSC to operate under MHHS world and there are considerations around implementation dates and nuances

with CUSC operations. An example would be TNuoS charging, as this is a £4bn process with fixed annual operation dates which could not necessarily be 'shoehorned' into MHHS implementation timelines.

FMA noted the operation of DCP415 and the need for the Programme to liaise with Code Bodies. FMA expressed concern over whether code parties may be expected to approve changes without Impact Assessment under their code. AM reiterated that changes cannot be made to the MHHS design without a Programme CR, which would include Impact Assessment, and it is always the case that Code Bodies are expected to engage with the Programme where they become aware of potential MHHS impacts or risk their changes being unimplementable because they are dependent on MHHS change.

LJ queried changes which have multiple solutions within them and whether the Programme are proposing to adopt non-MHHS elements for progression. LJ understood the MHHS-impacting element would be carved out and the Code Body could continue to progress the non-MHHS elements. HT discussed how changes could be managed effectively where there are elements that impact MHHS and elements which do not, and whether by allowing Impact Assessment of changes as a package via the Programme CR process. LJ agreed and believed the current process as presented is too over-simplified and does not work. AM agreed to take on board the feedback received and discuss this with Ofgem to identify how best such changes can progress.

JB noted the crux of the matter was where solutions are developed, and whether this is done under the Programme or by Code Bodies and how these then flow between on another as required. PS noted Erroneous Transfers are a good example of something which would not necessarily be raised as a Programme CR but may impact the design if changes are made in code.

AM advised the process would be reviewed and an update provided at the next meeting. The Chair summarised the position and the natural tensions which exist in cross-code solution development and thanked members for their contributions.

6. CCAG Reporting

AM provided an update on progress against the Code Drafting Plan. The current code drafting tranches (Dara Services and Metering Services) are progressing via CDWG and the aim is for these to be presented to CCAG next month for approval. No comments were provided by the group.

7. CDWG Update

AM advised the CDWG will be asked on 09 May 2023 whether they recommend the Tranche 1 code drafting should be submitted to CCAG for approval.

AM provided an overview of how approved code drafting will be managed. Drafting approved by the CCAG will become an 'approved draft' and will form the basis upon which any future change will be assessed against. The drafting will be made available for Programme Participants (PPs) to review to ensure transparency, and any subsequent change ahead of M6 (code drafting approved) will be clearly indicated. Any changes emanating from the Design Change Management Process will be reviewed on an ongoing basis, and any changes to code drafting consulted on where required with change marked artefacts provided. The 'mop-up' stage of the Code Drafting Plan will provide an additional juncture to review any changes required to code drafting. There will be no instances of changes occurring to code drafting without opportunity for PPs to review. The Programme will track and manage code drafting issues/actions via the CDWG Issues Log and seek to progress known changes as part of upcoming code drafting consultation tranches rather than backload everything into the mop-up stage. Contentious areas of code drafting may require postponement to the mop-up stage to avoid delays to whole drafting tranches.

8. Summary and Next Step

FM summarised the meeting actions as per the table above.

The Chair thanks members for their contribution and closed the meeting.

Date of next meeting: 24 May 2023