

MHHS Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) Headline Report

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Meeting number	QAG 010	Venue	Virtual – MS Teams
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Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
Headline Report and Actions	QAG10-01	The Programme to take QAG09-01 to December QWG to discuss with PPs how the request for information is being framed and actioned.	Programme	19/12/24	
DIP Manager Assurance	QAG10-02	The Code Bodies to include guidance around the DIP-Onboarding process into the QA&P document.	Code Bodies/DIP Manager	19/12/24	
	QAG10-03	The Programme to add further detail of the DIP On-boarding process to the DIP area of MHHS website and publish a link to it in the Clock.	Programme (PMO/PPC)	19/12/24	
Programme Milestones related to QAG	QAG10-04	The Programme to add the approved milestone changes into the Clock.	Programme (PMO/PPC)	19/12/24	
	QAG10-05	The Programme to add in a post-meeting note to the QAG HR of how PPs can see where	Programme (PMO)	19/12/24	Post-meeting note: Changes to the Programme Plan can be identified using the 'Update Version' column, in both the Outline Plan and MS Project Plan. New activities, or activities which have had the forecast or baseline dates changed, will have the latest version of

		amendments to the Programme plan have been made			the plan in those columns. For example, new changes made between version 6.12 and 6.13 of the plan will have a '6.13' in the 'Update Version' column.
Top Programme Risks Related to QAG	QAG10-06	The Programme to highlight the query raised about the pace of the resolution of ESME ID exceptions with the Data Cleanse team.	Programme (Jason Brogden/PMO)	19/12/24	Post-meeting note: Email comms sent on Thursday 21 November 2024, outlining the declaration requirements on Suppliers for the Data Cleanse of ESME ID, in addition to some next steps they are expected to take. More information can be found on the Data Cleanse Plan page of the MHHS website. Participants are encouraged to attend DCWG if they have any questions on this.

Decisions

Area	Decision Ref	Description	Rationale
Headline Report and Actions	QAG-DEC38	The headline report of the previous meeting on 17 October 2024 was approved.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
Programme Milestones related to QAG	QAG-DEC39	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the establishment of milestone T3-QU-0123 as 30 January 2025	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestone establishment, to which none were received, and the milestone establishment was accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.
	QAG-DEC40	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved approve the removal of milestones T3-QU-0120, T3-QU-0121 and T3-QU-0122	The Chair invited objections to the removal of the milestones, to which none were received, and the milestone removals were accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.
	QAG-DEC41	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Tier 2 and Tier 3 milestones to correct the PAB dates and Qualification Wave dates in the Programme Plan.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the date changes, to which none were received, and the milestone changes were accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
<p>Headline Report and Actions</p>	<p>DECISION: The headline report of the previous meeting on 17 October 2024 was approved (QAG-DEC38 – recording timestamp 00:06:04).</p> <p>Further discussion on QAG09-01, between the Large Supplier Representative and the Programme is summarised below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Large Supplier Representative raised that a lot of their constituents would like openness and transparency from other parties in the publishing of their Wave Allocation and Migration dates, and that without certainty all parties need to publish that information, some constituents feel reluctant to publish their information. Due to the low response rate, they expressed concern around what is being done between now and the confirmation date of Wave Reallocation (19th December 2024) to ensure there is clear preference by parties to share their data. • The Programme explained that they would only publish the information if people did sign up as it's opt in only and when previously discussed at working groups, it has always been presented as being available for all parties, rather than just for the parties who signed up. They stated that they could take it to December QWG to discuss with PPs if the Programme needs to revisit how it is being framed and actioned. They also highlighted that it's important to remember that this was raised in the first place to provide visibility to support Suppliers with their Customer Appointed Agents so it's worth revisiting at QWG to remind all parties of its purpose. • ACTION – The Programme to take QAG09-01 to December QWG to discuss with PPs how the request for information is being framed and actioned (QAG10-01).
<p>Wave Reallocation PPIR</p>	<p>Code Bodies provided an update on PPIR for Wave Reallocation following CR055 and the next steps.</p> <p>The DNO Representative queried if the Programme foresees a scenario where Wave Reallocation or the result of CR055 impacts the duration or change of profile in Migration. The Programme confirmed they unsure as of yet if there are impacts, however, they are relaying the feedback from the Wave Reallocation back to the Migration team. They are seeing a couple of movements in Suppliers with different volumes of portfolios so they suspect it will impact the profile, but this should be within the migration thresholds.</p>
<p>DIP Manager Assurance</p>	<p>The DIP Manager provided an update on the assurance of Non-Functional Requirements that sit under the DIP Supplement in BSC.</p> <p>They provided background context on the DIP arrangements and role of the DIP Manager within the Programme. They spoke through the DIP on-boarding process and its role contextually within the Qualification process.</p> <p>The Medium Supplier Representative queried if the DIP on-boarding process diagram depicts what PPs have to do before entering Qualification Testing as opposed to going into Production. The DIP Manager confirmed the 'Functional Testing' step in the diagram is where Qualification Testing takes place. The Programme added in that the subsequent 'Promote to Production' step is equivalent to Service Activation activities in the MHHS Programme Plan where production certificates are created and connectivity from Market Participant production systems to the production DIP environment is confirmed.</p> <p>The Supplier Agent Representative queried if is there intention to add this extra detail to the QA&P for all PPs to have visibility of it. The Elexon Qualification Team Representative confirmed they are opening up the QA&P to reflect the role of the DIP Manager and the updated dates. They added that they are happy to work with the DIP Manager to include this detail as well. The Programme also added that they can include the further detail in the Clock</p> <p>ACTION – The Code Bodies to include guidance around the DIP-Onboarding process into the QA&P document (QAG10-02).</p>

	<p>ACTION – The Programme to add further detail of the DIP On-boarding process to the DIP area of MHHS website and publish a link to it in the Clock (QAG10-03).</p> <p>The Supplier Agent Representative also asked if PPs are going to be contacted directly by the contracted service provider. The Elexon Qualification Team Representative confirmed that CGI will be responsible for PIT Assurance and KPMG will be for the QAD, so from a PP perspective it will be broadly handled by the same team.</p> <p>The Large Supplier Representative raised a concern from one of their constituents, highlighting that there were some additional questions around DIP On-boarding added in the recent updates to the QAD (version 3.1), however, there was a lack of additional guidance to accompany these questions. The Elexon Qualification Team Representative confirmed they received comments from PPs around further guidance from the QAD consultation which was addressed in the QAD webinar. They explained that they are working with the DIP Manager to add the further guidance into the QAD which will be presented to QWG, QAG and the PABs in December, to be available to PPs on 6th January 2025.</p>
<p>Non-SIT LDSO QT Readiness</p>	<p>The Programme provided an update on Non-SIT LDSO QT Readiness.</p> <p>No comments or questions raised from participants.</p>
<p>Programme Milestones related to QAG</p>	<p>The Code Bodies provided an update on milestones related to QAG. They presented changes to the Non-SIT S&A Qualification Test Cases milestones, and corrections to the PAB dates and Qualification Wave dates in the Programme Plan for approval by QAG.</p> <p>For the Non-SIT S&A Qualification Test Case milestones, they explained that there will be no batches of Non-Functional or Operational Tests but there are some Non-Functional or Operational requirements that are covered within Functional Tests. Therefore, they proposed creating a new Tier 3 milestone for Functional Test Scenarios and Test Cases Batch 3 which will cover all the remaining Tests that are expected to be in scope for Non-SIT S&A Qualification Testing, and removing the original Non-Functional and Operational Test Cases and Test Scenarios Tier 3 milestones.</p> <p>DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the establishment of milestone T3-QU-0123 as 30 January 2025 (QAG-DEC39 – recording timestamp 00:45:37).</p> <p>DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved approve the removal of milestones T3-QU-0120, T3-QU-0121 and T3-QU-0122 (QAG-DEC40 – recording timestamp 00:45:53).</p> <p>In light of CR055, the Code Bodies explained the need to move the PAB approval dates for each Qualification Wave by a few days to align with the expected date of the next PAB. They clarified that it doesn't move the timelines for the Waves or impact M14. They also proposed moving some of the dates of Qualification Waves to ensure the Christmas break is factored in and PPs still have enough time to complete their activities.</p> <p>DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Tier 2 and Tier 3 milestones to correct the PAB dates and Qualification Wave dates in the Programme Plan. (QAG-DEC41 – recording timestamp 00:48:47).</p> <p>The Medium Supplier Representative queried when the approved milestones be added into the Programme plan. The Programme confirmed the milestone changes are already noted in the plan, as the forecasted dates, but will now be included in the new baseline in the next iteration of the plan, which is due to be published on Wednesday 27th November 2024.</p> <p>The Supplier Agent Representative (Independent) asked if the approved changes to the milestones could be published in the clock.</p>

	<p>ACTION – The Programme to add the approved milestone changes into the Clock (QAG10-04).</p> <p>The Large Supplier Representative highlighted that it isn't always clear what amendments have been made to the plan when the new iterations are published. The Programme confirmed there is a version column in the Microsoft Project Plan that denotes where the changes have been made but will clarify in more detail in a post-meeting note.</p> <p>ACTION – The Programme to add in a post-meeting note to the QAG HR of how PPs can see where amendments to the Programme plan have been made (QAG10-05).</p> <p>Post-meeting note: Changes to the Programme Plan can be identified using the 'Update Version' column, in both the Outline Plan and MS Project Plan. New activities, or activities which have had the forecast or baseline dates changed, will have the latest version of the plan in those columns. For example, new changes made between version 6.12 and 6.13 of the plan will have a '6.13' in the 'Update Version' column.</p> <p>The Programme added in that although not reflected in this month's meeting papers, the milestones for LDSO PIT Completion and LDSO Readiness to start Qualification Testing will start to show amber and red over the next few weeks which is due to some LDSOs not being on track to complete PIT or start Qualification Testing on time.</p>
<p>Top Programme Risks Related to QAG</p>	<p>The Programme provided an update on the Top Programme Risks Related to QAG.</p> <p>The Medium Supplier Representative raised a query in relation to R994 on behalf of their constituents. They queried what would happen if there were further delays to the Programme and SIT can't be achieved within the timelines. The Programme confirmed that they do have contingency built into the plan, both in the critical path and in wider parts of the Programme, however, if there are still further delays it would have to be a discussion that is held with Ofgem.</p> <p>The Ofgem Representative clarified that instruction from senior leadership is that this is a one-time delay, and that they want to do everything they can to deliver MHHS at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>The Medium Supplier Representative also raised constituents concerns on the pace of the Data Cleanse for ESME ID and whether this needs to be called out as a risk. The Programme confirmed they will check with Data Cleanse team on that potential risk.</p> <p>ACTION – The Programme to highlight the query raised about the pace of the resolution of ESME ID exceptions with the Data Cleanse team (QAG10-06).</p>
<p>Summary and Next Steps</p>	<p>The Secretariat confirmed the actions captured in the meeting.</p> <p>No comments or questions raised from participants.</p>

Date of next meeting: 19 December 2024

Attendees

Chair

Chris Welby (Chair)

MHHS SRO

Industry Representatives

Clare Hannah
David Yeoman
Graham Wood
Helen Clarke
Laura Kennedy
Sarah Ross
Rachel Stringfellow

Supplier Agent Representative
DNO Representative
Large Supplier Representative
Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)
Elexon Representative (as Qualification Agent)
Elexon Qualification Team
Medium Supplier Representative

MHHS IM

Katie Dyson
Jason Brogden
Francesca Drew
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PMO
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Other Attendees

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George Player
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DIP Manager
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Warren Fulton
Jenny Boothe

Fahreen Japp

iDNO Representative
Small Supplier Representative
IPA
RECCo Representative (as
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Client Test Programme Manager
Client Delivery Manager
Migration Lead
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