

MHHS Programme Steering Group (PSG) Headline Report

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New / Outstanding Actions

Area	Ref	Action	Owner	Due
Headline Report and Action	PSG39-01	Programme to meet with RECCo before Christmas to discuss post-M10 Change Management.	Programme	20/12/2024
Ofgem CR055 Decision Update	PSG39-02	PSG Representatives to inform the Senior Stakeholders and Sponsors of Programme Participants on Ofgem's CR055 decision, and make them aware of the potential measures being introduced to prevent further delays and the implications on changes to licences.	PSG Representatives	15/01/2015
Update on Settlement Analysis Model	PSG39-03	Helix to hold a meeting to review the Settlement Analysis Model with relevant stakeholders before presenting it at January 2025 PSG.	Helix	20/12/2024
Programme	PSG39-04	Programme to add NESO as part of the Change Request reporting	Programme	15/01/2025
Change Requests	PSG39-05	Programme to meet with RECCo to help them better understand CR059 and its requirements as they will be supporting its implementation.	Programme	15/01/2025
Delivery Dashboards	PSG39-06	Programme to set up a meeting with LDSOs, Ofgem and the IPA to discuss requirements for a robust reporting framework post-M10.	Programme	15/01/2025
	PSG38-01	The Large Supplier Rep to engage with suppliers and gather more details on the nature of delays associated with Central Parties	Large Supplier Representative	04/12/2024
Previous meetings	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.	Programme	07/08/2024

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	PSG33-01	Programme to provide information on expectations on parties post-M10 to support resourcing and management view.	Programme	03/07/2024
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Decisions

Area	Ref	Decision	Rationale
Headline Report and Actions	PSG-DEC94	The Headline Report of the previous meeting was approved with clarifications from the DNO Rep.	Comments were clarified by the DNO Rep and accepted by the Programme.
Programme Change Requests	PSG-DEC95	SRO ratified the approval of CR058, Adding the DIP Manager as an Industry Representative to Advisory Groups.	The CR058 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board.
	PSG-DEC96	SRO ratified the approval of CR059, <i>ELEX-REP-020</i> implementation.	The CR059 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
Minutes and Actions	The DNO Rep clarified some commentary on the previous headline report, in relation to PPs running out of capacity to run tests and was this being monitored. Programme advised that this point will be covered in the testing section of this meetings slide deck. The Headline Report of the previous meeting was approved following these clarifications (DECISION PSG-DEC94).
	PSG38-01: There has been dialogue between programme and large suppliers so this action can be closed.
	PSG34-02 : The RECCo Rep stated there has been limited engagement with RECCo over post-M10 Change Management. Programme argued against the description but accepted an action to set up a meeting between RECCo and the Programme lead (ACTION PSG39-01).
Ofgem CR055 Decision Update	A representative from Ofgem provided a verbal update advising the meeting that Ofgem officially approved CR055 on 29 November 2024. Ofgem highlighted the significance of the decision, and the challenges faced during the decision-making process with Ofgem's senior leadership team. A 6.5-month delay to M10 (Central systems ready for migrating MPANs) has been agreed but this delay is to be considered a one-time allowance. Any additional delays would need to be escalated to DESNZ and the Secretary of State. Ofgem will be implementing measures to prevent any further delays and to explore any opportunity to bring the end date forward, if possible. Potential measures include:

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- Forecasts and bi-weekly reporting at the Cohort level
- Time limits imposed on resolving defects and deviations from timelines
- Adding additional resources or extending hours to catch up

Ofgem will issue directions and consult with industry on these potential changes to licences in Q1 2025. The Programme will also be subjected to heightened scrutiny, with frequent reporting to Ofgem senior management as well as to DESNZ.

The Small Supplier Rep asked for clarity around timelines. Ofgem advised the consultation is currently being drafted and is expected in mid-January 2025. The consultation is likely to be open for approximately 10 days.

The iDNO Rep acknowledged the need to introduce incentives but noted that additional reporting may place further stress and burden on already strained resources, noting that even if it is additional Programme reporting, this may still require work from PPs. Ofgem provided an example of how additional reporting could be placed primarily on the Programme.

The DCC Rep expressed concern about the prospect of moving the end date forward, specifically in relation to accelerating Migration and changing Migration thresholds, and the impact it may have on the technical delivery. Ofgem clarified that while there is an interest in exploring opportunities to bring the end date forward, the primary focus is on capturing evidence to support the current 18-month timeline for Migration. Any changes to Migration thresholds would need to be carefully considered and supported by evidence.

The Large Supplier Rep asked Ofgem as well as the IPA, about the prospect of moving M10 forward, asking whether it was still feasible, and adding that the possibility of bringing it forward creates uncertainty around the current plan. Ofgem acknowledged the validity of the point and reiterated that the primary goal is support the current plan but that options to bring forward should be considered. More information on the capacity to bring the date forward will be provided at the February 2025 checkpoint.

The SRO highlighted the need for Senior industry stakeholders and Programme sponsors to be aware of the CR055 approval and Ofgem's potential measures and the implications on the changes to licences. An action was assigned to PSG Representatives to inform the Senior Stakeholders and Sponsors of Programme Participants (**ACTION PSG39-02**).

SRO also thanked Ofgem and their team for all their help throughout the CR055 process. Their collaboration with the Programme was critical in getting to the understanding that this was an unavoidable change.

Programme Update - Testing

Programme provided an overview of testing progress by the end of Cycle 3 Sprint 7.

SIT Functional and Migration progress has been slower than required. No MVC Cohorts were on track to meet the CR055 model. A major step was achieved in Settlement testing with all SET 1 tests passed. Programme outlined the impacting factors, the actions being taken at the end of Sprint 7 and the Sprint 8 outlook.

The Small Supplier Rep asked whether the defect levels observed in Settlement testing were higher than expectations and whether the defect levels were expected to reduce over time. Programme advised that although the number of defects was higher than anticipated, the nature of the defects had shifted. Initially, the defects were significant functional changes that blocked progress, but more recently, the defects were related to data reconciliation and test case execution, indicating greater maturity in testing. Programme also highlighted that there has been significant progress made in Settlement testing over the past month.

Programme confirmed that the Design remains stable and the defects were primarily related to PPs' implementation against the Design, following a question from the IPA.

The Large Supplier Rep raised a concern about the worst-case scenario where, after settlement testing, there may be tests that have not been passed by any Cohort and noted that the Code Bodies should be made aware of this risk, and also asked whether there was any more up-to-date information since FTIG on 29 November 2024. Programme confirmed that the information shared with FTIG was the most up to date and acknowledged the importance of understanding the inherent risks and noted that the IPA would be involved in reviewing the option and proposals presented.

The Large Supplier Rep asked for IPA's views on the proposal to extend Settlement testing. IPA advised they are meeting with the Programme on 05 December 2024.

iDNO Rep asked whether the proposal would see Settlement testing taken out of SITB. Programme confirmed that Settlement testing will remain in SITB in line with the proposed timeline extension, though there will be some optionality to do some testing down the line in SITA. Programme also noted that CoS Settlement testing will take place in SITA.

Programme provided an overview of ongoing work to optimise and clarify SIT Migration scope based on available the RTTM, to reach consensus by collaboration with Code Bodies. The provisional Programme proposal is that the maximum number of test points to be achieved via testing – SIT(F) and SIT(M) combined – could be reduced by approx. 18%.

Programme has had bilateral discussions with some MVC Cohort parties on the potential revisions to the SIT (F) and SIT(M) combined execution model, with them being supportive of ensuring the model is as accurate as possible. The currently proposed revised model would calibrate to 3 MVC Cohorts still being on track (99% - 100%) at the end of Sprint 6 and Sprint 7. Programme expects to be in a better position at the end of Sprint 8, but also noted it is a not a panacea for resolving all velocity challenges within that Sprint.

DNO Rep asked for clarity over the structure of the MVC. Programme advised the MVC is made up of 4 Cohorts but only 2 Cohorts are needed to prove the end-to-end design.

The Medium Supplier Rep asked whether there was any prioritisation within the MVC to ensure alignment with the start of Migration. Programme advised that the MVC has two objectives: 1) to prove the end-to-end design and 2) to ensure Migration Readiness. The Programme is considering and monitoring both objectives.

The Large Supplier asked for clarity on the SIT optimisation and when this would be formally adopted and its implications for the next few Sprints. Programme advised it will be reviewed at FTIG 06 December 2024 as part of the Interim Checkpoint, and the Programme will be transparent about the tests in question which will have been agreed with Code Bodies. Programme advised that the model shown will be the MVC model, rather than the non-MVC as this is the model all PPs are measured against.

Update on Settlement Analysis Model

Helix presented a run-through of the Settlement Analysis Model. The intention of the model, following on from CR013, *Determining scope of Examination of Settlement Impacts resulting from MHHS Programme*, was to develop a visualisation tool to display new load shapes for the NHH sector alongside existing load profiles. This tool should allow industry participants to compare daily, yearly, and Load Shape Category data. Helix outlined the assumptions, approach, output and validation and a sample of the input data that has been received.

	The Consumer Rep asked whether the Settlement Analysis Model would be widely available. Helix confirmed it would, and Programme advised it can also share the model via Programme channels.
	Programme asked whether there is a date for validation and publishing of the model. Helix advised it will be presented at the January PSG, but Helix, the Programme, the DNO Rep, and the I&C Supplier Rep discussed having an additional session to review the model before PSG, and before the Christmas break, and to include any other appropriate stakeholders (ACTION PSG39-03).
	The CR058 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board. SRO ratified the approval of Adding the DIP Manager as an Industry Representative to Advisory Groups. (PSG-DEC95).
	THE RECCo Rep, having replied to the consultation, confirmed they are comfortable with the Programme's response and CR058.
Programme	Programme took an action to add NESO into the Change Request reporting (ACTION PSG39-04).
Change Requests	The CR059 Impact Assessment was met with widespread support and approval was endorsed by the Change Board. SRO ratified the approval of <i>ELEX-REP-020 implementation (PSG-DEC96)</i> .
	RECCo Rep noted their responsibility to support the implementation of CR059, and requested to meet with the Programme to better understand when this change is required (ACTION PSG39-05).
	Programme presented its reflections on 2024, including 2024 achievements and statistics as well as a 2025 outlook.
2024 in Review	The Programme also presented some reflections from Industry, split into the following themes: Achievements & Progress, Challenges, Collaboration & Support, Opportunities for Improvement and Governance & Documentation.
	The Programme also made a particular call out that M7 is now complete and expressed its gratitude to the Code Workstream for all their hard work.
Delivery Dashboards	The DNO Rep raised a concern around the reliance on St Clements for answering questions related to testing, and questioned whether the knowledge base could be improved to help PPs find answers more efficiently. Furthermore, the DNO Rep asked whether the knowledge base is ready for transition to BaU when many of the current Programme stakeholders roll off. Programme advised there is ongoing dialogue with Elexon on this issue to ensure the knowledge base is effective now and is ready for the transition, including involving Elexon SMEs now to ensure the knowledge is retained.
	The DNO Rep raised a concern about the accuracy of the reporting on market monitoring. Programme took an action to set up a meeting with LDSOs, Ofgem, IPA and the Programme to discuss requirements for a robust reporting framework post M10 (ACTION PSG39-06).
	The IPA provided an update on their assurance actions and are in the course of running Period 8 meetings.

Date of next meeting: 15 January 2025 at 10:00am

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Attendees Apologies Apologies

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