

# MHHS SIT Advisory Group (SITAG) Headline Report

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Meeting number	SITAG 014.1	Venue	Virtual – MS Teams
Date and time	28 March 2025 10:00-11:00	Classification	Public

## **Actions**

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date
Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3	SITAG14.1-01	Programme to publicise the date for closing out pending items for Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3.	Programme (PMO)	01/04/25
Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report Theme 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2	SITAG14.1-02	Programme to publicise the date for closing out pending items for Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2.	Programme (PMO)	01/04/25

## **Decisions**

Area	Decision Ref	Description	Rationale
Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3	SITAG- DEC62	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 2 and 3 (v0.3), with a caveat that all pending actions (noted below) need to be completed by an agreed date.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report Theme 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2	SITAG- DEC63	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2 (v0.5), with a caveat that all pending actions (noted below) need to be completed by an agreed date.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.

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SIT-A Settlement Testing Exit Criteria	SITAG- DEC64	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT-A Settlement Testing Exit Criteria.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the exit criteria, to which none were received.
New Connections Test Approach and Cases	SITAG- DEC65	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the New Connections Test Approach and Cases.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the test cases, to which none were received.

# **Key Discussion Items**

Area	Discussion
	The Programme discussed the readiness of participants for SIT NFT Themes 2 and 3, explaining that not all participants have achieved formal readiness for entry into SIT NFT Themes 2 and 3. The readiness was evaluated based on several criteria, including the ability to deploy and maintain compatible code environments, having necessary ADO user accounts, successful PIT testing phase, and self-certification of readiness. Programme stated that most issues are evidence-based and there is nothing functionally blocking the start of NFT.
	The RECCo Representative asked for confirmation on the Programme recommendation, questioning whether they should continue with NFT as planned or recommend a delay. Programme confirmed that they are comfortable starting NFT on Monday, despite some participants not having their plans formally signed off.
Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3	The Large Supplier Representative inquired about the practical implications for parties entering testing on Monday, particularly those with red status. Programme explained that NFT must be done in blocks, so all participants must start testing simultaneously and emphasised the importance of investigating risks for areas marked as amber and red.
	The RECCo Representative reiterated that while testing should proceed, there may be a higher risk of identifying defects due to incomplete documentation. Programme pointed out that some items listed as red might be resolved before testing starts on Monday.
	The SITAG chair asked for timelines to close out pending items and emphasised the need for a date by which all reviews should be completed.
	The SITAG chair then moved to the decision, asking if there were any objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received. The SITAG chair concluded the discussion by approving the commencement of testing on Monday with the caveat that all pending actions need to be completed by an agreed date.

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**ACTION**: Programme to publicise the date for closing out pending items for Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3 (SITAG14.1-01).

**DECISION**: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 2 and 3 (v0.3), with a caveat that all pending actions (noted below) need to be completed by an agreed date (**SITAG-DEC62 – recording timestamp 00:24:34**).

Outstanding Actions for Non-Functional Overarching Test Readiness Report Themes 2 & 3

- 1. Outstanding PIT activities: 8 participants had PIT activities outstanding as of SITAG. 5 have been resolved, 3 are outstanding.
  - ACTION: The 3 outstanding Participant PIT activities to be closed, or acceptable work-off plans confirmed by or before 04-Apr 25.
- 2. Delay in the LDSOs producing the D0388 file that the UMSDS role requires. (This issue arose since the SITAG decision).
  - ACTION: C&C to deploy new code to their UMSO system to generate the required data, requested deployment by or before 03-Apr-25.

**NOTE:** The above data issue only impacts unmetered MPANs, so in mitigation there may be some movement in the execution schedule as we push back unmetered tests that were originally scheduled for early cohort tests, to later points in time. No impact expected on the plan.

**NOTE:** it was also reported to SITAG that Microsoft had implemented a change to Azure earlier than expected, which compromised the Programme's ability to generate data in a timely manner.

Updates to outstanding actions will be brought to GLIG, SITWG and SITAG.

# Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report Theme 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2

The Programme discussed the readiness of participants for SIT Operation Themes 1, 2 and 3 Batch 2. Programme noted that there are some outstanding activities and test documentation tasks, noting that the situation is like NFT, with bilaterals happening until the end of the day but they don't present a risk to starting operational testing.

Programme also discussed the RTTM, stating that it has been reviewed with code bodies and there are no material concerns. Programme mentioned that they are working through final tweaks and adding a few test cases, with no material objections from the code bodies.

The Large Supplier Representative raised a concern about the scheduling and planning for participants, to which the Programme responded that they are addressing it by assigning everything to everyone for theme one until they confirm the qualification impacts of the operational tests.

The SITAG chair emphasised the importance of having dates for closing out the caveats and making a clear case in the headline report.

The SITAG chair then moved to the decision, asking if there were any objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received. The SITAG chair concluded the discussion by approving the commencement of testing on Monday with the caveat that all pending actions need to be completed by an agreed date.

**ACTION**: Programme to publicise the date for closing out pending items for Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2 (SITAG14.1-02).

**DECISION**: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2 (v0.5), with a caveat that all pending actions (noted below) need to be completed by an agreed date (**SITAG-DEC63 – recording timestamp 00:37:23**).

Outstanding Actions for Operational Overarching Test Readiness Report for Themes 1, 2 & 3 Batch 2

- 1. The SIT Operational RTTM must be accepted by Code Bodies and the DIP Manager for qualification purposes.
  - Note: Code Bodies and DIP Manager have agreed "there are no significant issues to raise," and will confirm they are fully comfortable by or before 04-Apr-25.
  - ACTION: Added 2 test cases after consultation with Code Bodies. No further test cases to be added.
- 2. Outstanding PIT activities: 9 participants have PIT activities outstanding. 6 have work-off plans in place with the Programme. 1 has an agreed late submission. 2 have ongoing clarifications, with bilaterals scheduled for this week.
  - o **ACTION:** Participant PIT activities to be closed, or acceptable work-off plans confirmed by or before **04-Apr-25**.
- 3. Reviews ongoing between LDP and Code Bodies to confirm our position regarding testing to achieve qualification for each Participant.
- 1.1 **ACTION:** The programme is aware some reporting and execution schedule updates may be needed as this exercise is closed. Expect this action to be closed **07-Apr-25**.

Updates to outstanding actions will be brought to GLIG, SITWG and SITAG.

# SIT-A Settlement Testing Exit Criteria

The Programme the proposed exit criteria for the settlement testing phase. He mentioned that these criteria have been discussed and socialised with each of the cohorts, previous GLIG sessions, and the SITWG. The plan and approach were confirmed, detailing the test cases to be run and their reflection in the proposed exit criteria.

The SITAG chair then moved to the decision, asking if there were any objections to the approval of the exit criteria, to which none were received.

**DECISION**: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the SIT-A Settlement Testing Exit Criteria (SITAG-DEC64 – recording timestamp 00:43:39).

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New Connections Test Approach and Cases	The Programme provided background and context for the new connections test cases. He explained that these tests were identified during workshops held over the last couple of months, initially raised by the large supplier community in November. The workshops led to the identification of additional test cases to ensure the process works effectively. Some test cases are being conducted by St. Clements in their PIT environment, while two test cases are being conducted by central parties in the SIT environment.	
	The two tests aim to prove if a new connection put through initial registration can be reverse migrated to legacy.	
	The Elexon Representative raised a question about the specific dates for the new connection process, particularly between M10 and M14. The Programme clarified that the new connections are effective from M10 to M14, with all new connections needing to be done in the market half-hourly post-M14. Programme mentioned that the design documentation has been updated, and a guidance note has been issued to explain the process in greater detail.	
	The SITAG chair further clarified that new connections from 22 September 2025 onwards will need to use this process until M14 is hit. Programme added that the guidance note provides detailed information on how to address new connections based on whether MPANs were registered prior to or post-M10 and whether the provider is a legacy or market half-hourly qualified supplier.	
	The SITAG chair then moved to the decision, asking if there were any objections to the approval of the test cases, to which none were received.	
	<b>DECISION</b> : The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the New Connections Test Approach and Cases (SITAG-DEC65 – recording timestamp 00:50:07).	
Summary and next steps	The secretariat ran through the decisions taken during the session emphasising the importance of including all caveats in the headline report and ensuring that dates for completion are clearly stated. No comments or questions raised by SITAG members.	

Date of next regular meeting: 24 April 2025

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#### **Attendees**

#### Chair

Smitha Pichrikat (Chair)

MHHS SRO

### **Industry Representatives**

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Shaun Brundrett Terri Hamilton

MHHS

Adrian Ackroyd Anne Robinson

Daniel Gee David O'Riordan

Jason Brogden John Wiggins Keith Clark Kiran Raj

Michael Inije Paul Pettitt

Richard Puddephatt Roger Robar

Salman Bukhari

Steve Evans
Stuart Scott

Other Attendees

Andy MacFaul Jenny Boothe Liam Evans Paul Daniels Large Supplier Representative

RECCo Representative

Medium Supplier Representative

Elexon Representative

Small Supplier Representative

**DNO** Representative

Client Test Programme Manager PMO Governance Support

Test Anaylst

Non-Functional Test Lead

Industry Expert Industry SME

Programme Manager SIT Functional Test Lead Programme Coordinator Design Management

Lead

Data Workstream Lead Programme Test Lead

Test Architect

Operational Test Lead

Industry SME

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#### **Apologies**

Gavin Gallimore

James Murphy

Richard Marriot Robert Golding Seat vacant Stacey Buck

Confirmed not filling seat Confirmed not filling seat DCC Representative

Supplier Agent Representative

(Independent)

**NESO** Representative

DIP Manager Representative Supplier Agent Representative

iDNO Representative

Consumer Representative

I&C Supplier Representative