

## MHHS Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) Headline Report

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Meeting number **QAG 017**

Venue **Virtual – MS Teams**

Date and time **19 June 2025 10:00-12:00**

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### Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
<b>BSC PAB Engagement Update</b>	<b>QAG017-01</b>	BSC and REC to document and summarise the PAB qualification process and the BSC and REC qualification decision-making processes to the Programme for publication on the MHHS website and collaboration base	BSC & REC	17/07/2025	NEW:

### Decisions

Area	Decision Ref	Description	Rationale
<b>Headline Report and Actions</b>	QAG-DEC69	The headline report of the previous meeting on 22 May 2025 was approved.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
<b>Qualification Approach and Plan</b>	QAG-DEC70	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Qualification Approach and Plan v4.2	The SRO invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
<b>Qualification Approach and Plan Annex 2</b>	QAG-DEC71	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Qualification Approach & Plan Annex 2 v3.1	The SRO invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.

<b>QTC Updates</b>	QAG-DEC72	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Non-SIT S&A Functional Test Case Batches 1 (v2.2), 2 (v2.1), and 3 (v2.1).	The SRO invited objections to the approval of the documents, to which none were received.
<b>E2E Sandbox Update</b>	QAG-DEC73	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the E2E Sandbox Guidance v2.3.	The SRO invited objections to the approval of the documents, to which none were received.
<b>E2E Sandbox Update</b>	QAG-DEC74	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the E2E Sandbox Test Data Approach and Plan v1.0	The SRO invited objections to the approval and creation of the document, to which none were received.

### Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
<b>Headline Report and Actions</b>	<b>DECISION:</b> The headline report of the previous meeting on 22 May 2025 was approved with objections or comments ( <b>QAG-DEC69 – recording timestamp 00:04:10</b> ).
<b>QAD Progress Update</b>	<p>Code Bodies provided an update on the progress of the QAD and feedback from the initial submissions, as well as providing further guidance on the submission process.</p> <p>A PP Asked whether the Programme has a clear view of how much of the market is ready for M10. They queried whether the outstanding QAD submissions are from material market participants. They also wanted to understand if 99.5% of the market is ready or if it's closer to 75%. They emphasised the need for this clarity ahead of the July PSG meeting.</p> <p>The Code Bodies acknowledged that it's a "very dynamic picture" and difficult to provide a granular, up-to-date breakdown by participant. They Stated that the Programme is working closely with participants and sharing information internally. They confirmed that the Programme will report on M10 readiness to PSG in July, by which time the picture will be clearer by which a further update will be provided, including confidence levels and materiality of any outstanding issues.</p> <p>A PP raised a question regarding QAD Guidance &amp; Submission Expectations. They suggested reviewing trends in QAD responses and clarifying expectations for initial vs. final submissions. The Code Bodies confirmed guidance is being refined and webinars have addressed known issues.</p> <p>A PP also raised concerns about background changes (e.g. SIT pathway renaming) not being reflected in QAG updates. The Code Bodies acknowledged the need for better communication and suggested using Programme updates and to contact PMO for agenda items</p>
<b>Qualification Approach and Plan</b>	<p>The Code Bodies sought endorsement of the Qualification Approach and Plan, post-consultation.</p> <p>The Code Bodies presented a summary and next steps of the Qualification Approach and Plan v4.2. No comments or questions raised by QAG members.</p>

	<p><b>DECISION:</b> The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Qualification Approach and Plan v4.2 (<b>QAG-DEC70 – recording timestamp 00:22:10</b>).</p>
<p><b>Qualification Approach and Plan Annex 2</b></p>	<p>The Code Bodies sought approval of the Qualification Approach and Plan Annex 2, post-consultation.</p> <p>The Code Bodies presented a summary and next steps of the Qualification Approach &amp; Plan Annex 2 v3.1. No comments or questions raised by QAG members.</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Qualification Approach &amp; Plan Annex 2 v3.1 (<b>QAG-DEC71 – recording timestamp 00:23:10</b>).</p>
<p><b>QTC Updates</b></p>	<p>The Code Bodies sought approval of the QTC updates, post-consultation.</p> <p>The Code Bodies presented a summary and next steps of the Non-SIT S&amp;A Qualification Test Cases – Batches 1, 2 and 3. No comments or questions raised by QAG members.</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the Non-SIT S&amp;A Functional Test Case Batches 1 (v2.2), 2 (v2.1), and 3 (v2.1). (<b>QAG-DEC72 – recording timestamp 00:24:15</b>).</p>
<p><b>E2E Sandbox Update</b></p>	<p>Programme to provide an update on E2E Sandbox, seeking approval of the E2E Sandbox Guidance Document and E2E Sandbox Test Data Approach and Plan</p> <p>The Programme presented the updated E2E Sandbox guidance for decision. No comments or questions raised by QAG members.</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the E2E Sandbox Guidance v2.3. (<b>QAG-DEC73 – recording timestamp 00:25:25</b>).</p> <p>The Programme presented the E2E Sandbox Test Data Approach and Plan for decision. No comments or questions raised by QAG members.</p> <p><b>DECISION:</b> The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the E2E Sandbox Test Data Approach and Plan v1.0. (<b>QAG-DEC73 – recording timestamp 00:25:25</b>)</p>
<p><b>BSC PAB Engagement Update</b></p>	<p>Programme and Code Bodies provided an update on the latest BSC PAB Engagement.</p> <p>A PP raised a question around the PAB Process Transparency. They asked what PAB sees during qualification and whether it's a rubber stamp or detailed review. The Code Bodies explained PAB sees a summary and recommendations, not the full QAD. Scrutiny focuses on unresolved work-off items. They clarified that REC decisions are made by the REC Code Manager, not a PAB. The Code Bodies agreed to document the process for publication on the collaboration base and MHHS website.</p> <p>A PP asked for clarification on whether REC applications go to a PAB-like body. They queried who within the REC Code Manager makes the qualification decision. They also sought clarity on how and when participants are notified of qualification approval.</p> <p>The Code Bodies confirmed that the REC qualification decision is made by the REC Code Manager (specifically RPA/Deloitte). There is no separate REC PAB; the decision-makers are the same people conducting the assessments. The REC Code Manager works in coordination with the MHHS Programme and BSC to align qualification timelines (e.g. Pathways 1–3). Once approved, participants are notified via email, and updates are made to the REC Party Register and shared with Elexon for service activation.</p>

	<p>The Programme suggested that the Code Bodies provide a description of their qualification processes to be published on the collaboration base and MHHS website.</p> <p>BSC and REC to document and summarise the PAB qualification process and the BSC and REC qualification decision-making processes to the Programme for publication on the MHHS website and collaboration base. – <b>(ACTION QAG017-01)</b></p>
<b>Wave 1 QT Readiness</b>	<p>Code Bodies provided an update on Code Bodies and Wave 1 Participant readiness ahead of decision to start non-SIT S&amp;A QT</p> <p>No Comments or Questions raised.</p>
<b>IPA Update</b>	<p>IPA provided updates on Qualification assurance</p> <p>No Comments or Questions raised.</p>
<b>Programme Milestones related to QAG</b>	<p>Code Bodies and Programme provided an overview of upcoming Programme Milestones related to QAG, no questions or comments were raised.</p>
<b>Top Programme Risks Related to QAG</b>	<p>The Programme ran through Top Programme Risks Related to QAG.</p> <p>A PP asked if Risk R809 (awaiting LDSO QADs) is still valid. The Code Bodies confirmed it's outdated and will be updated post-meeting.</p>
<b>AOB</b>	<p>The Programme provided an update on SIT-A Settlement Testing – Progress Report and the proposed approach to SIT-A Regression Testing.</p> <p>Regarding SIT testing delays, a PP emphasised the need for wider communication of critical updates. The Programme agreed and confirmed the update would be included in version 3 of the QAG slides and shared via GLIG, QWG, and bilaterals.</p> <p>The Programme recommended using the GLIG slides for updates on M10 readiness and SIT on a weekly basis instead of waiting for the next governance group.</p> <p>A PP asked if BSC audits are still planned for autumn and when scope will be shared. The Programme confirmed no change and said further details will come in August.</p>

**Date of next meeting: 17 July 2025**

## Attendees

### Chair

Chris Welby

Chair

### Industry Representatives

Gareth Evans

Andrew Wallace

Clare Hannah

David Yeoman

Helen Clarke

Laura Kennedy

Rachel Stringfellow

Graham Wood

Erik Baguzis

James Stokes

I&C Supplier Representative

RECCo Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Supplier Agent Representative

DNO Representative

Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)

Elexon Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Medium Supplier Representative

Large Supplier Representative

iDNO Representative

DIP Manager

### MHHS IM

Chandra Varsani

Jason Brogden

Francesca Drew

Adrian Ackroyd

Nicola Farley

PMO

Programme Industry SME

PPC

Client Test Programme Manager

Qualification Test Manager

### Other Attendees

Andy MacFaul

Liam Evans

Carlota Soumah Fernandez

Robert Golding

George Player

Sarah Ross

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REC Qualification Team

DIP Manager

Elexon Qualification Team

Elexon Qualification Team

## Apologies

Fahreen Japp

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Vaishnavi Sharma

Warren Fulton

Ofgem

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Small Supplier Representative

Client Delivery Manager

REC Code Manager

Migration Lead