

MHHS Design Advisory Group (DAG) Headline Report

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 DAG036
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 Virtual – MS Teams

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 08 May 2024 10:00-11:30
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 Public

Actions

Area	Ref	Action	Owner	Due
Minutes and Actions	DAG36-01	Change marked headline reports of DAG meetings held 14 February 2024 and 13 March 2024 to be issued for review/approval Programme (PMO)		10/05/2024
Change Requests Updates	DAG36-02	Programme to invite Elexon to provide an update to DAG on the progress of arrangements for the transition of design change to BAU code governance arrangement post-M10	Programme (Paul Pettitt)	12/06/2024
Previous Meeting(s)	DAG35-01	Programme to provide visibility of the outputs of the lessons learned information provided by participants in relation to the Interface Code of Connections and DIP onboarding processes, as well as information on onboarding requirements for future testing stages	Programme (Smitha Pichrikat)	12/06/2024
	DAG34-08	Programme to advise whether changes to the DAG Terms of Reference are required in response to the changes agreed by the Programme Steering Group to the MHHS Change Control Process	Programme (PMO)	12/06/2024
	DAG32-06	Programme to provide further detail on the change freeze criteria and how change requests are progressed into normal BSC/REC/SEC BAU	Programme (PMO)	12/06/2024

Decisions

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None		

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion	
Minutes and Actions	Change marked headline reports of DAG meetings held 14 February 2024 and 13 March 2024 to be issued for review/approval (ACTION DAG36-01).	
	Action wording and updates can be found within the meeting papers and key discussion points are summarised below:	
	DAG32-06 : Programme advised Elexon are working to define the arrangements for the transition of the MHHS Design and any associated post-M10 (Central systems ready for migrating MPANs) design change to enduring governance arrangements. The Programme has provided information on important considerations to Elexon, including ensuring REC and other codes are part of considerations, that consideration is given to priority changes required as soon after M10 as possible, and arrangements for the transfer of Design Issue Notifications. The Programme urged parties, and particularly Code Bodies, to contact Elexon for the latest updates, and advised updates would be provided at appropriate MHHS governance groups as further information becomes available from Elexon. Action ongoing.	
	DAG35-01 : Programme advised the outputs of the lessons learned information provided by participants on the Interface Code of Connections and DIP onboarding process would be provided once available. Action ongoing.	
	DAG35-03: Programme advised a Design Resolution Group (DRG) had been scheduled for 16 May 2024 to develop the detailed design solution for Programme Change Request (CR) 045 (Supply Start Date (SSD) Correction Tool). Action closed.	
Change Requests Updates	CR044 (Implementation of 'Data Refresh' Message IF-051) & CR045 (Supply Start Date (SSD) Correction Tool)	
	The Programme provided updates from the PSG following the escalation of CR044 and CR045 by the DAG over pre-M10 implementation challenges and post-M10 implementation risks, per the meeting slides. DAG were informed one PSG member believed both CRs, and especially CR045, should be implemented pre-M10. This was in contrast to the views expressed in participant Impact Assessment (IA) responses and to DAG constituency representatives directly. As such, the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO) determined a pragmatic approach should be taken whereby the PSG agreed the design changes in principle, and the Programme would engage with participants to assess whether pre-M10 implementation was feasible, with a final decision take by, or before, Autumn 2024. Code Bodies would be engaged in parallel to discuss arrangements for the potential handover of the changes, if pre-M10 implementation is not possible.	
	The Small Supplier Representative considered that the closer the decision is to Autumn 2024, the less likely participants will be able to implement pre-M10. The MHHS Design Lead agreed, and noted efforts were underway to develop the design for CR045, and it was hoped there would be a view on the feasibility of pre-M10 implementation by the next PSG meeting on 05 June 2024. The MHHS Governance Lead advised the latest point at which a decision would be taken would be the PSG on 04 September 2024.	
	The NGESO Representative believed a post-M10 release should be scheduled to accommodate design changes known to be required. The Programme noted this was with Elexon to develop, and the opinions of DAG members were being provided to Elexon to support considerations.	
	The RECCo Representative requested Elexon be invited to provide an update on the progress of arrangements to DAG, and that no proposals are shared prior to discussion with RECCo (ACTION DAG36-02).	

	CR050 (Amendments to the MHHS Change Control Approach and Form)
	The Programme advised that Ofgem, as MHHS Programme Sponsor, had advised the CR was considered a significant change and should therefore be subject to a full IA. The Programme has scheduled a webinar on 13 May 2024 to introduce CR050, after which it will be issued for IA and the results shared with Ofgem. The Programme advised that as the changes to the change control approach and form had already been implemented, the SRO and Ofgem agreed at the PSG that the new process would continue until such time as Ofgem may direct otherwise.
	The MHHS Design Lead advised there had now been over 1,000 Design Issue Notifications (DINs) raised, of which 800 had been implemented. The Programme are developing an Interim Release (IR) 8.1 to fix or clarify a number of design issues, and the associated DINs were being closely scrutinised to ensure only those which are essential for testing or go-live are released, so as to mitigate the potential impact on participants during System Integration Testing (SIT) and upcoming Qualification Testing (QT). The Programme advised there were c.50 DINs currently assigned to IR8.1, and publication timeframes would be confirmed, but would not occur before June 2024 at the earliest. The Programme would then assess implementation timeframes and provide as much notice to participants as possible ahead of Sit Functional Cycle 3 commencement in September 2024.
Design Updates	The Small Supplier Representative queried whether IR8.1 would be of such magnitude that it may warrant participant IA. The MHHS Design Lead advised IR8.1 would contain essential design fixes or clarifications which are necessary to avoid complications during testing. The representative agreed there was benefit to this but was uncertain whether participants would be able to accommodate such a release. The Programme advised parties were invited to object to any DINs per the established process.
	The RECCo Representative considered the effect of design clarifications as opposed to design fixes may be different, and that clarifications could potentially be implemented post-M10 providing there was participants were aware of the content of the clarifications ahead of this. The MHHS Design Lead advised the Programme were conducting a MoSCoW ¹ review of each DIN to support the prioritisation of the changes, and this would be published within the DIN Log. The Programme advised notifications will be issued via The Clock, and IR8.1 discussed with the Fast Track Implementation Group (FTIG), noting each DIN did not necessarily affect every programme participant.
Next Steps	The Chair highlighted the forward agenda for future DAG meetings had now diminished to an extent where the next meeting would be held by correspondence, providing no material items arise for discussion. Several DAG members agreed with this approach.

Next meeting: By correspondence only

¹ 'Must have, could have, should have, won't have' (MoSCoW)

Attendees

Chair	Role	Apologies	
Justin Andrews	Chair	Caroline Farquhar	Consumer Representative
Industry Representatives			
Craig Handford	Large Supplier Representative		
Carolyn Burns	Small Supplier Representative		
Chris Day	Elexon Representative		
Daniel Arrowsmith	National Grid ESO		
David Yeoman	DNO Representative		
Morven Hunter (on behalf of Donna Jamieson)	IDNO Representative		
Gareth Evans	I&C Supplier Representative		
Sarah Jones	RECCo Representative		
Kristina Leary (on behalf of Robert Langdon)	Supplier Agent Representative		
Seth Chapman)	Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)		
Stuart Drinan	DCC Representative (as smart meter central system provider)		
MHHS			
Fraser Mathieson	PMO Governance Lead		
Paul Pettitt	Design Lead		
Other Attendees			
Danielle Walton	Ofgem		
Taylor Thorpe	IPA		