

MHHS Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) Headline Report

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Meeting number	QAG 011	Venue	Virtual – MS Teams
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Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
Top Programme Risks Related to QAG	QAG11-01	Programme to provide a high-level overview of the risk's discussion will take place at QWG	Programme (Jason Brogden)	30/01/25	

Decisions

Area	Decisi on Ref	Description	Rationale
Headline Report and Actions	QAG- DEC42	The headline report of the previous meeting on 21 November 2024 was approved.	The Programme invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
Qualification Documents	QAG- DEC43	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), recommended the QAD v3.3 for approval by REC and BSC PABs.	The document went out for consultation last month, and all comments have been addressed. The Chair invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
Consent for Supplier & Agent Information	QAG- DEC44	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved that the published Qualification and Migration information from Suppliers and Agents is available to all Participants.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the availability of information for Participants, to which none were received.

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Non-SIT LDSO QT Readiness	QAG- DEC45	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T2-QU-0550, subject to 1 LDSO's readiness being tracked as work-off item.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestone, to which none were received, and the milestone was accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.
	QAG- DEC46	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T3-QU-0007, subject to MHHSP entry criteria 3 tracked as work-off item.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestone, to which none were received, and the milestone was accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.
	QAG- DEC47	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T3-QU-0115.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestone, to which none were received, and the milestone was accepted as necessary housekeeping to reflect the updated planning accuracy.
Programme Milestones related to QAG	QAG- DEC48	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the removal of milestones T3-QU-0125, T3-QU-0126, T3-QU-0127 and T3-QU-0128.	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- DEC49	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the establishment of milestone T2-QU-1100.	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.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion	
Headline Report and	DECISION: The headline report of the previous meeting on 21 November 2024 was approved (QAG-DEC42 – recording timestamp 00:04:55).	
Actions	The Chair asked QAG if anyone had any objection to closing down action QAG10-05 as there is no further action required from the Programme, to which there were none, so it was closed in the meeting.	
Qualification Documents	The Code Bodies presented the QAD v3.3 to QAG for approval. The QAD would also be presented to the REC and BSC PABs for approval.	
	They acknowledged the challenges they had in finalising the QAD and the impact these last-minute changes have had on PPs. In addition, they apologised for any inconvenience this has caused and explained that they are working with the PMO and PPC to improve the process around publishing and communicating version uplifts going forward.	
	They highlighted that v3.3 was published on 9 th December, again acknowledging the tight timelines between publication and QWG didn't allow PPs sufficient time to review the amendments. They confirmed that they did receive a small number of additional comments after QWG, but none of this feedback required changes to the questions on guidance within the QAD. However, it did highlight that a few of the business and operational choreography requirements were incorrectly mapped in four of the data service questions. They confirmed this wouldn't	

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	impact anyone's submission as the requirements are just included in the QAD reference, but for completeness they will look to remove these incorrect references before publishing the final version (v4.0) and would communicate these changes out accordingly.
	The DNO Representative queried if there is any requirement for sign-off of the initial QAD submission. The Code Bodies confirmed it is only the final version that needs to be signed off at Director level. The Representative also raised frustrations from their constituents around significant changes between version uplifts that required certain stakeholders to be engaged that resultingly didn't need to be, and the confusion this caused. The Code Bodies were appreciative of how this may have been confusing for PPs and have taken wider learnings to include a release note alongside any version uplifts to documents going forward as the redlining is insufficient alone.
	DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), recommended the QAD v3.3 for approval by REC and BSC PABs (QAG-DEC43 – recording timestamp 00:13:18).
Wave Reallocation Update	The Code Bodies provided an update on Wave Reallocation and confirmed that they have reached out to all relevant parties to notify them of whether their wave change request has been accepted.
	The Programme presented a decision on the availability Qualification and Migration information from Suppliers and Agents, concluding the feedback received in QWG.
	The Supplier Agent Representative confirmed they are happy with the recommendation to make the information available to all PPs as they believe this will help other PPs who aren't that far along yet to realise the benefits of it.
Consent for Supplier &	The Large Supplier Representative was supportive of making the information available to all but wanted to acknowledge there has been some feedback from a few constituents that aren't in favour of it.
Agent Information	DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved that the published Qualification and Migration information from Suppliers and Agents is available to all Participants (QAG-DEC44 – recording timestamp 00:19:45).
	Following the approval of the decision, the Programme provided an overview of the proposed timeline for publication.
	The Large Supplier Representative queried if there will be visibility of how many PPs out of the total population have consented to providing their data once the list is published. The Programme confirmed they will include a covering note that details some statistics such as the proportion of Supplier and Agents who have consented to their information being published.
	The Programme and IPA provided an update on Non-SIT LDSO QT Readiness and presented milestones for decision.
Non-SIT LDSO QT Readiness	The IPA provided an overview of the decision summary for the report on the Readiness for Non-SIT LDSO QT.
	Programme highlighted that QT readiness split into milestones related to Programme readiness and also LDSOs' readiness. They also provided an overview the number of LDSOs that are preparing to start QT in January, including details on which ones were placing 'full' and 'partial' reliance, and finally a breakdown of the milestones.
	Following the presentation of information, the Chair asked QAG on whether T2-QU-0550 (Qualification Testing for Non-SIT LDSOs (Functional, Migration, NFT, Operational) LDSO Test Readiness confirmed) should be approved subject to 1 LDSO's readiness being tracked as work-off item.

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DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T2-QU-0550 (QAG-DEC45 - recording timestamp 00:32:50). Next, the Programme provided an overview of the milestone that is related to Programme Readiness, and the Defect 44038 that was found within SIT and the resulting and impact on LDSO QT start date. They concluded that MHHSP Readiness is in a sufficient enough place to commence LDSO QT. The Chair asked QAG on whether T3-QU-0007 (Qualification Testing for Non-SIT LDSOs (Functional, Migration, NFT, Operational) Programme Test Readiness confirmed) should be approved subject to MHHSP entry criteria 3 tracked as work-off item. DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T3-QU-0007 (QAG-DEC46 - recording timestamp 00:37:00). They finally presented the Non-SIT LDSO QT Test Execution Start milestone, T3-QU-0115 for approval as outstanding items are either specific to a LDSO or have an agreed mitigation. DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved milestone T3-QU-0115 (QAG-DEC47 – recording timestamp 00:37:56). The Programme and Code Bodies provided an overview of the upcoming Programme Milestones related to QAG and decisions to approve and remove milestones. The Programme proposed the removal of the four LDSO Tier 3 Testing milestones in the Programme Plan as it has become clearer as the plan has developed that these windows aren't reflective of how testing will happen. Instead, these will be replaced with an anonymised line item for each LDSO their expected start and end date. The DNO Representative gueried if its just the start and end date of each LDSO that will be tracked and not more granular activities of their testing. The Programme confirmed the different types of testing e.g. Migrations and Functional and broken out throughout the testing window, Programme therefore tracking this on a more granular level wouldn't give a fair view of testing, which is why they have chosen to report the start and end Milestones related to date of each LDSO. QAG **DECISION:** The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved approve the removal of milestones T3-QU-0125, T3-QU-0126, T3-QU-0127 and T3-QU-0128. (QAG-DEC48 - recording timestamp 00:42:20). The Code Bodies proposed adding an overall QT Readiness confirmed milestone and aligning it to the QAG date before the first wave begins to confirm all entry criteria has been met. **DECISION:** The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner (SRO), approved the establishment of milestone T2-QU-1100. (QAG-DEC49 – recording timestamp 00:43:17). The Programme provided an update on the Top Programme Risks Related to QAG. **Top Programme Risks** They recognised the action to do more of a deep dive into the risks at QWG and ensure this takes place at January QWG. Related to QAG The Chair asked if QAG would also like an in depth run through of the risks in addition to QWG. The Large Supplier Representative confirmed they would prefer to receive a high-level overview of the risks that were discussed at QWG.

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	ACTION – Programme to provide a high-level overview of the risk's discussion will take place at QWG (QAG11-01).
	The Large Supplier Representative queried what the latest is from Code Bodies with the mitigation plan for R532, and additionally asked if all the activity undertaken within the rationalisation optimisation processes was fully covered. The Code Bodies confirmed they are working closely with the Programme on all of the RTTMs, and they have now reached a position with SIT Functional and SIT Migration but are still working through the last elements of SIT Non-Functional and SIT Operational RTTMs.
Summary and Next	The Secretariat confirmed the actions captured in the meeting.
Steps	No comments or questions raised from participants.

Date of next meeting: 30 January 2025

Attendees

Chair

Chris Welby (Chair) MHHS SRO

Industry Representatives

Clare Hannah Supplier Agent Representative

David Yeoman DNO Representative

Graham Wood Large Supplier Representative

Helen Clarke Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)
Laura Kennedy Elexon Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Sarah Ross Elexon Qualification Team
Rachel Stringfellow Medium Supplier Representative
Andrew Green I&C Supplier Representative

Andrew Wallace RECCo Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Tom Jenkins iDNO Representative

MHHS IM

Katie Dyson PMO

Jason Brogden Programme Industry SME

Francesca Drew PPC Kam Sahota PPC

Nicola Farley Qualification Test Manager

Ben Wickins

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James Stokes DIP Manager

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Liam Evans IPA

Apologies

Seat vacant Small Supplier Representative
Adrian Ackroyd Client Test Programme Manager

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Warren Fulton Migration Lead

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