

DSC Delivery Sub-Group Minutes

Monday 23rd September at 10.30am

Microsoft Teams Meeting

<u>Industry Attendees</u>		
NAME	ORGANISATION	INITIALS
Anusha Patel	Corona Energy	AP
Neil Charnock	ESG Global	AR
Joanne Rush	SSE	JR
Reece Stephens	Ecotricity	RS
Daniel Kearney	Utilita	DK
Lee greenwood	Centrica	LG
Nik Wills	Stark	NW
Sally Hardman	Scotland Gas Networks	SH
Paul Senior	Utilita	PS
Gareth Powell	Npower	GP
Slama Akhtar	Northern Gas Networks	SA

<u>Xoserve/Correlate Attendees</u>	
Paul Orsler	PO
Rachel Taggart	RT
James Barlow	JB
Rajiv Patel (Item 3)	RP
Rob Westwood	RW
James Randle	JR

Slides available [here](#).

1. General Meeting Administration

1a. Welcome and Introduction

Paul Orsler (PO) welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed attendees that this meeting is being audio recorded for the purpose of producing the minutes, each recording will be deleted once the relevant minutes have been signed off. PO informed the attendees of the following [agenda](#) items.

1b. Previous DSG Meeting Minutes and Action Updates

PO advised that no feedback had been received and approved the minutes from the last meeting in August.

- **24/0108 XRN 5616** – ChMC agreed to put the change on hold for 3 months while a data cleansing activity takes place. Action closed as the design has been finalised and we've got an agreed way forward in terms of data cleanse and reviewing the change for delivery later in the year.
- **24/0110 XRN 5732** – Update was provided under AOB during the meeting and action will remain on hold until November 2024
- **24/0113 XRN 5615 Establishing / Amending a Gas Vacant Site Process** - historic action and the design has been baselined and approved. Action to be closed

2. Changes in Change Development

2a. New Change Proposals – Initial Overview of the Change

2a.i XRN5824 – Updates to the CDSP Service Description Table (V34)

PO provided an overview of this change to approve the introduction of a new service line to CDSP Service Description table to support XRN5793 Platform to support Performance Assurance Committee (PAC). No comments or questions were raised by DSG representatives.

2b. Change Proposals Initial View Representations

None for this meeting.

2c. Undergoing Solution Options Impact Assessment Review

None for this meeting.

3. Changes in Detailed Design

3a. Design Considerations

3a.i. XRN 5615 Establishing / Amending a Gas Vacant Site Process (Modification 0819)

Paul Orsler (PO) introduced Rajiv Patel (RP) to provide an overview of this Design Consideration. RP confirmed that to date CDSP have had no responses from customers on likely volumes so assumption made that customers will not require to request exceptionally large numbers. Performance Testing is planned to take place in October for the technical solution. RP confirmed that customers should get in touch with the November 24 Project team to confirm the number of Vacant site requests they plan to raise at Go-Live (or thereafter), and encouraged customers to make this known to us before Go-Live to enable CDSP to provide the support that may be required.

Lee Greenwood (LG) questioned what kind of system testing and criteria is being used. RP explained that in terms of our system test performance testing parameters, we will take a view on how many MPRNs that can be put through now. PO added that the system will need to validate, accepted or rejected, and apply the logic as part of the performance test, so to some extent it doesn't matter whether we get accepted or rejected records, as the performance test will clarify the capability of processing to that level. That will be part of the integrated performance test of both the UK link component and the CMS component of the solution. PO confirmed that, in the absence of any definitive non-functional volumetrics being confirmed or stated in industry requirements, the system capacity identified in the performance test ahead of implementation will be used to set the baseline of the services being implemented. LG summarised that he thought Xoserve are going to test the system and establish a volume that's not going to break central systems but then handle whatever customers put in. James Barlow (JB) stated that Xoserve need to establish a reasonable volume level that does not require infrastructure reinforcement. There are lots of different routes of how Xoserve will sustain that and then that will be put out as the available capacity as we do with other processes in the defined UK Link IS Service Definition document. If users are monopolising or exceeding that capacity then we may in some instance, stop, and have to manage those processes separately and ensure system stability and no other processes have been impacted.

PO updated that Xoserve will provide a bit of a follow up of how the performance tests have gone and if anyone in the meantime is working up in preparation for vacant sites to go live, and wanted to talk to us about what you're planning to do beforehand, please contact us.

3a.ii Maintenance of a Capacity Plan

Paul Orsler (PO) provided an overview of why we send out the 6 monthly Maintenance of a Capacity Plan Change Pack linked to a document called the 'UK Link service definition document' in the UK Link Manual which sets out the performance standards for a number of

critical industry processes. No comments or clarification was requested from DSG representatives.

3b. Requirements Clarification

None for this meeting.

4. Release / Project Updates

4a. February 25 Major Release – Scope Decision

PO gave an update on slide 23 for XRN5614. Following the ChMC decision on the 11th September, XRN5614 was approved to be delivered as part of the February 2025 Release (28th February implementation date).

4b. XRN 5711 June 2024 Major Release

PO gave an overview of this agenda item and noted that closedown is in progress, to complete on 25 October.

4c. XRN 5788 November 2024 Major Release

PO confirmed that vacant sites has been discussed earlier in the session where status and activities relating to performance testing of the different system components for vacant site solution are presently taking place. When presenting the project status report PO confirmed that there are no concerns with the deliverability of the release and all changes are scheduled to be implemented in line with the agreed implementation dates. PO went on to describe the detail of the implementation approaches for each change and updated DSG of the customer awareness session which is earmarked to take place on the 9th October and this will be communicated shortly via recognised DSC Customer distribution lists.

4d. September 2024 DDP Update

PO gave a brief overview, as the slides have already been discussed in detail at both ChMC and CoMC on the improvements to the way we bring DDP change to ChMC.

5. Change Pipeline

PO gave an overview of slides 47-51.

- Change delivery plan
- Change Backlog

PO stated that we're currently working with our suppliers and our business teams to propose a scope for Minor Release Drop 13.

6. AOB

6.a XRN5732 Inclusion of IGT MPRNs into specified existing DSC Processes Progress Update

PO advised that this change was raised to ensure IGT Supply Points have an equivalent level of interaction and involvement in the DSC specified processes where necessary, to enable mutualised service coverage across DN and IGT customers. The analysis carried out has confirmed:

- Meter Point Portfolio Reconciliation – is in place and operational
- Gas Safety Installation and Use Regulations (GS(I&U)R) – is operational but requires IGT onboarding and adoption with training sessions to be planned in due course
- Shipperless and Unregistered Processes – technical analysis taking place on existing processes to confirm no unforeseen impacts are created as part of IGT adoption of the related processes.

PO confirmed this analysis and intended training sessions will be taking place in October. No comments or further clarification was sought from DSG Representatives.

6.b XRN5604 Shipper Agreed Read (SAR) exceptions process (Modification 0811S) – Rejection Code Update

Rob Westwood (RW) explained that we introduced a new rejection code as part of XRN5604, in the February 24 major release. A new rejection code was included on the detailed design change pack, however, unfortunately due to what looks like an oversight it wasn't included as an amended file format. We introduced a new file format (as called it out within the detail design change pack), however, the update hasn't flowed into the live documentation in the UK link file library. JB confirmed that we are updating the rejection codes again for the November release, so the plan is that will include in there as an administration task.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Monday 21st October. No further items or questions were raised by DSG representatives.

If you have any questions relating to the above meeting minutes, please email uklink@xserve.com