

CACoP Forum meeting 46

14 February, 10:00 – 12:10

Teleconference

Final Minutes

Attendee	Representing
David Kemp (DK)	Forum Chair
Charlotte Riddick (CR)	Forum Secretary
Ivar Macsween (IMa)	BSC
Milly Lewis (ML) <i>(part meeting – items 1-4)</i>	CUSC, Grid Code, STC
Christopher McCann (CM)	D-Code
Dylan Townsend (DT)	DCUSA
Talia Lattimore (TL)	IGT UNC
Isaac Moore (IMo)	IGT UNC
Colette Baldwin (CB)	REC
Mike Fenn (MF)	SEC
Tim Newton (TN) <i>(part meeting – item 4)</i>	SEC
Yvonne Reid-Healy (YR)	UNC
Jennifer Semple (JS)	Ofgem
Jonathan Coe (JC) <i>(part meeting – item 4)</i>	Ofgem
Ayesha Uvais (AU) <i>(part meeting – item 4)</i>	Ofgem
Pete Davies (PD) <i>(part meeting – item 7)</i>	RECCo

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.

1. LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

The Secretary noted that one comment had been received from ML on the draft minutes for the December 2022 CACoP Forum meeting. The necessary amendments were made and the minutes will be finalised and published on the CACoP website.

CB suggested the minutes could be reviewed and finalised outside of the Forum meetings as meetings are now bi-monthly. The Chair confirmed this was the intended approach moving forward, and highlighted that the Forum would have at least a week to review the draft minutes before they become finalised.

2. ACTIONS UPDATE

Ref	Action	Discussion	Outcome
43/02	All Codes to review the diagrams provided by the REC. The REC to then share these for publication on the CACoP website following review and amendments.	The Secretary noted Tina Pearce had sent over the finalised Industry Diagrams and these would be sent out to the Forum for a final review before being published. Tina had also highlighted particular thanks to DT for helping to put the diagrams into the PowerPoint presentation format.	Open
45/01	The Grid Code to update the Forum on the lessons learnt from the Post Implementation Review (PIR) with Elexon for the BSC gas deficit modification GC0180 implementation.	The Forum noted the update and agreed to close the action.	Closed
45/02	The Chair to publish the Horizon Scanner document.	The Forum noted the update and agreed to close the action.	Closed
45/03	The Chair to implement the minutes and agenda of CACoP meetings being published onto the website going forward.	The Forum noted the update and agreed to close the action.	Closed
45/04	The Chair and Ofgem to discuss the impacts from Code Reform and Ofgem to update the Forum from an Ofgem perspective at the next Forum meeting.	The Forum noted the update and agreed to close the action.	Closed
45/05	The Chair to update the terms of reference and work plan for the CACoP Forum.	The Forum noted the update and agreed to close the action.	Closed

The Forum **NOTED** the updates and **AGREED** the actions marked 'Propose to Close' can be closed.

3. CCSG AND CROSS-CODE CHANGES UPDATE

CB provided highlights on recent Cross-Code Steering Group (CCSG) discussions on cross-Code changes.

ML provided updates on four cross-Code changes raised under the CUSC, the Grid Code and the STC. This included Grid Code modification [GC0156 'Facilitating the Implementation of the Electricity System Restoration Standard'](#), consequential STC modification [CM089 'Implementation of the Electricity System Restoration Standard'](#), which is going to the February 2023 STC Panel meeting, and the potential impacts of the Authority send back of [GC0148 'Implementation of EU Emergency and Restoration Code Phase II'](#).

CM provided updates on the D-Code equivalent consultation to GC0156. The consultation stage has now closed with responses being collated. [DCRP/MP/22/03 'EREC P2 Issue 8'](#) and [DCRP/MP/22/04 'EREP 130 Issue 4'](#) were approved by the Authority. A public consultation for EREC G12 'Requirements for the Application of Protective Multiple Earthing to Low Voltage Networks' has been released and will run until 17 March.

The Forum **NOTED** the updates.

4. UPDATE ON CODE REFORM

AU and JC provided an update on the Code Reform work.

Ofgem is currently working with the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS), which has now become the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ), to develop the legislative framework and that the bill is subject to parliamentary process. Ofgem has also requested views on the Code Consolidation proposals from the Stakeholder Advisory Forum (SAF) and was looking through responses from this.

JC provided the Forum with information on how the bill would be implemented and presented the key workstreams for this. AU presented the Forum with information on consequential and governance changes. Ofgem is reviewing the governance processes and developing the next steps for the role of the SAF. Ofgem is planning to hold further workshops to develop its thinking and will update the Forum on the timings of those meetings when dates are planned. JC noted that there were two key consultations in the pipeline.

ML asked how many responses Ofgem had received to the recent consultation and queried how Ofgem was going to look at these responses. AU replied they had received over 40 responses, and Ofgem would analyse and review the key parts for the workshops.

CB queried what participant types had responded and whether there were any key stakeholders missing. AU noted there had been a range of respondents and that they were currently in the process of analysing the responses but no key group was missed. AU noted that although Citizens Advice were involved it would be helpful to gain views from more marginalised stakeholders, however it was hard to get them. JC noted it was a challenging time for the industry and so it had been harder for respondents to meet the deadline, and therefore Ofgem has been accepting responses after the deadline. CB noted that smaller Suppliers did not always have the capacity to

answer and that larger Suppliers often responded without engaging properly. JC noted this had just been an information gathering consultation and further consultations will be issued to gain more insight from people.

TL asked if there had been any responses from Independent Gas Transporters (IGTs), noting the proposed merging of the UNC and the IGT UNC. JC responded that they had not received any from IGTs but that they had some input from engaging with them over Code Consolidation.

YR asked if Ofgem could share the responses with the Forum as it was useful to see the diversity of responses. JC stated that the responses would be published in due course.

YR queried when the upcoming request for information (RFI) was expected to be issued. JC stated this is expected within three to six months and that when there was a confirmed date they would discuss this with the Forum in more detail in advance of it being issued.

IMa queried if there was anything that the Forum could be doing in advance to help. JC responded it would be helpful for them to go into detail about what Code Administrators can and cannot share. AU appreciated that they could bring things to the Forum and noted Ofgem would want to engage with the Forum further on this. Forum members also advised Ofgem that it could reach out to individual organisations at any point if further input is needed.

TN noted that there would be a joint consultation from DESNZ and Ofgem and queried if Ofgem was proceeding on the assumption that it would all go through. JC responded that there were a lot of moving parts and the bill had not reached its conclusion but it was on track. AU did not anticipate any issues for joint consultation, and suggested this be discussed further at future updates.

The Forum **NOTED** the updates.

5. CACOP FORUM APPROACH FOR 2023

The Chair presented an updated set of terms of reference for the CACoP Forum to reflect the discussions held at the previous meeting around the approach for 2023.

The Chair noted their intent for the Forum to focus on sharing knowledge, ways of working and lessons learnt. Following the discussions under item 4 above, the Chair also proposed to add an objective around supporting Code Reform to the terms of reference. These areas will be added to the Forum's objectives in the terms of reference. The Chair advised the Forum to bring along colleagues who may be better placed to input on items and discussion points when possible. Members were also encouraged to take ownership of any agenda items they raise and encouraged more active engagement among the Forum. The Forum was supportive of these changes.

The Chair put forward a 'dynamic work plan' to replace the annual work plans developed in previous years. This would enable the Forum to more actively review its workload and priorities, and add new items to this throughout the year. The Chair asked members if they had anything else they wanted the Forum to look at to add to the work plan.

CB considered that the Code Reform work should be added to the plan. Other members agreed with this.

CB noted that the DCUSA had spoken about Revenues using Incentives to deliver Innovation and Outputs (RIIO-ED2) and that there was an obligation that the Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) had in respect of metering works. They questioned if work may come out of this that would be relevant to the Forum. CB proposed to take this away and come back to the next meeting with any further thoughts.

The Chair noted the consumer aspect, and considered the Forum should discuss the consumer topic in the future. This would be added as an ongoing item in the work plan.

MF suggested that the CACoP document itself should be reviewed. This will be added to the work plan.

YR queried the difference between the dynamic work plan and the horizon scanner. The Chair responded that the horizon scanner lists general initiatives and activities across the energy sector that may result in cross-Code modifications in the future, whereas the dynamic work plan will be the list of work items that that the Forum intends to complete.

The Chair noted their intention to review the overlap between the CACoP Forum and the CCSG. They noted that some CACoP Codes were not part of the CCSG, which meant that discussions on cross-Code changes is fragmented. They planned to investigate whether the CCSG's membership should be expanded to include these Codes to enable these discussions to be consolidated.

CB noted that the current CCSG member Codes all had obligations within their Codes to engage with the CCSG. They considered this should not be a voluntary approach, and so queried if any further Codes joining the CCSG should also be changed to include these obligations.

JS queried whether the Chair had spoken to the relevant Code Administrators and their Panels. The Chair confirmed this would be part of the next steps if the Forum was supportive of exploring this further. CB also agreed to discuss this with the Ofgem CCSG representative (JC), and seek understanding on any rationale for why not all the CACoP Codes had been included in the CCSG initially. CM noted that if this was progressed then they would need to consult with their Panel, but also questioned why the technical Codes had been excluded from the CCSG when it was first set up.

ACTION 46/01: The Chair to reach out to the CUSC, the D-Code, the Grid Code and the STC representatives to discuss the proposal that these Codes become CCSG members.

ACTION 46/02: The REC (CB) to reach out to the Ofgem CCSG representative to discuss the proposal for expanding the CCSG membership and understand if there were any reasons why the technical Codes were originally not included in the CCSG membership.

The Forum agreed that this investigation into the consolidation of cross-Code discussions with the CCSG should be added to the work plan.

DK confirmed the updated dynamic work plan and the terms of reference would be published on the CACoP website.

ACTION 46/03: The Chair to update the dynamic work plan and publish this on the CACoP website.

The Forum:

- **AGREED** the approach to the CACoP Forum for 2023;
- **AGREED** the updates to the terms of reference; and
- **AGREED** further items to add to the dynamic work plan.

6. PRINCIPLES DEFINING THE RECCO DIGITALISATION STRATEGY

PD shared the RECCo's digitalisation strategy design principles and stated that they would be made public around April 2023.

IMa questioned whether the RECCo data would ever be completely open. PD responded that all RECCo data could probably be made open, except perhaps Meter Point Numbers (MPxNs), and over time this could happen.

DT suggested RECCo look at section 105 of the Utilities Act. PD acknowledged this suggestion and agreed to look into this.

CB queried whether this review needed to look at data points across all the Codes. PD responded that this work had started within RECCo but they were planning to engage with other Codes as well. They had already reached out to individuals from some Codes on this and invited further engagement from Forum members. PD considered this work should focus on identifying the metadata owner for each data item, as they would technically own that data, and discuss the use of the data further with them. They agreed that this is not something that RECCo could carry out in isolation.

The Chair considered this was an area the Forum could aid with, and support with co-ordinating and facilitating cross-Code discussions on this work. CB highlighted a sub-working group with experts looking at the Codes with that data and that it would be helpful to have those data experts in a group. The Chair agreed to liaise with PD and CB after the meeting to confirm a goal and plan for the Forum's input and support with this work, which could then be added to the dynamic work plan.

ACTION 46/04: The Chair, RECCo (PD) and the REC (CB) to confirm the input and support the Forum can provide on the RECCo digitalisation strategy, for addition to the dynamic work plan.

The Forum **NOTED** the updates.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair highlighted that going forward any AOB would need to be highlighted to the Chair prior to the meeting.

DT informed the Forum that a REC change rather than a DCUSA change may be needed relating to the Meter Operation Code of Practice (MOCOP) agreement. CB and DT agreed to discuss this outside of the CACoP meeting.

SUMMARY AND MEETING CLOSE

DK thanked members for their engagement at this meeting, noted that they had had some good discussions, and provided a recap of what had been discussed.

The next CACoP Forum meeting will be held on 11 April 2023. The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.