

# Panel Meeting 56 – Headline Report

29 June 2021  
Videoconferencing

This Headline Report provides a record of the decisions made by the Panel.

## 1 Change Report

The Panel considered the proposed assessment approaches and assessment timetables for new change proposals:

[CPM041 Sharing Non-Household Emergency Contact Details'](#), [CPM043 Bilaterals Interface Solution](#), [CPW124 Revisions to Panel Composition](#), [CPW125 Panel Membership and Voting Rights](#) and amended timetable for 'CPW110 'Sharing Non-Household Emergency Contact Details'.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) the assessment plans for new change proposals (12 in favour); and
- **AGREED** (unanimous) the amended change proposal plans (12 in favour).

## 2 CPW070a - Bilaterals Interface Solution

The Panel considered the change proposal '[CPM043: Bilaterals Interface Solution](#)' which sought to provide for a central 'Bilateral Hub' through which processes specified by the Operational Terms will be progressed, thereby removing the need for forms. Amendments are required to the Wholesale Retail Code (WRC) and Market Arrangements Code (MAC) to enable Trading Parties to use the Bilateral Hub for the first process to be implemented, i.e. Verification of meter details or meter supply arrangements ('C1')

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (majority) to recommend the implementation of CPM043a/CPW070a to Ofwat for approval (12 in favour, 1 against <sup>1</sup>); and
- **AGREED** (majority) to recommend an implementation date of Wednesday 22 September 2021, if Ofwat approval is received by 30 July 2021 (12 in favour, 1 against).

## 3 CPW106 – Management of Long Term Vacants

The Panel considered the change proposal '[CPW106 Management of Long Term Vacants](#)' which sought to reduce the number of long-term vacant premises in the market by defining the criteria under which Supply Points for long term vacant premises should be deregistered and implementing a process for their deregistration and potential temporary or permanent disconnection.

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<sup>1</sup> An additional Panel member joined the meeting after the Change Report



The Panel:

- **AGREED** (majority) to recommend the implementation of CPW106 to Ofwat for approval (12 in favour, 1 against); and
- **AGREED** (majority) to recommend an implementation date of 5 Nov 2021, if Ofwat approval is received by 10 Sep 2021 or 31 Mar 2022, if Ofwat approval is received by 3 Feb 2022.

#### 4 CPW117 – Shortening the Late Payment Default Timeline

The Panel considered the change proposal '[CPW117 Shortening the Late Payment Default Timeline](#)' which sought to reduce the burden of credit requirements on Retailers by creating a new payment option. By shortening the late payment default and termination timeline, there would be a corresponding reduction in the credit support requirement.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) to recommend the implementation of CPW117 to Ofwat for approval; and
- **AGREED** (unanimous) to recommend an implementation date of 5 Nov 2021, if Ofwat approval is received by 15 Oct 2021 or 3 Dec 2021 if Ofwat approval is received by 12 Nov 2021.

#### 5 CPW120 – Final Meter Reads Where No Visual Read Available - Withdrawal

The Panel considered the withdrawal of change proposal '[CPW120 Final Meter Reads Where No Visual Read Available](#)' from the change process, at the proposer's request.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) to suspend the change proposal for CPW120 and that if no other Proposer wishes to adopt the change for the change proposal to be withdrawn.

#### 6 Market Improvement Fund

The Panel considered the updated Market Improvement Fund (MIF) Project Selection and Governance Document.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) to approve the proposed and updated key components of the first MIF funding round; and
- **AGREED** (unanimous) to approve the updated Project Selection and Governance Document.