

Panel Meeting 62 – Headline Report

14 December 2021
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This Headline Report provides a record of the decisions made by the Panel.

1 Change Report

The Panel considered the proposed change plans for [CPM047 ‘Change to Panel Quorum’](#), [CPW130 ‘Transfer Read Estimate Reason Codes’](#), [CPW129 ‘Review of Post RF Materiality Threshold’](#) and [CPM048 and CPW131 ‘Suspending certain MPS charges pending full review of the MPF’](#).

The Panel also considered the amended change plan for [CPW120 ‘Final Read where no visual read is available’](#).

The Panel:

- **NOTED** the Change Report and;
- **APPROVED** (unanimous) the plan for CPM047 ‘Change to Panel Quorum’
- **APPROVED** (majority) the plan for CPW130 ‘Transfer Read Estimate Reason Codes’ (12 in favour, 1 against)
- **AGREED** (unanimous) the plan for CPW129 ‘Review of Post RF Materiality Threshold’
- **AGREED** (majority) the plan for CPM048 and CPW131 ‘Suspending certain MPS charges pending full review of the MPF’ (11 in favour, 2 against)¹
- **APPROVED** (majority) the amended plan for CPW120 ‘Final read where no visual read is available’ (12 in favour, 1 against)

2 CPW070b-1: Bilaterals Interface Solution

The Panel considered [CPW070b-1 ‘Phase 3 - Bilateral Transactions’](#) which sought to deliver additional Bilateral Hub functionality and the meter repair or replace (‘B5’) process.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) to recommend the code amendments of CPW070b-1 ‘Phase 3 – Bilateral Transactions’

¹ The plan agreed was an amended plan as determined in the meeting. This allowed for an extended assessment to accommodate evidence gathering in addition to a consultation which would still enable a recommendation to be made in time to meet the proposed implementation date (subject to an Ofwat decision).



- **AGREED** to recommend two implementation dates:
 - Additional Bilateral Hub functionality - 2 February 2022 if Ofwat approval is received by 20 January 2022, and
 - B5 process - 31 March 2022 if Ofwat approval is received by 20 January 2022

3 CPM047: Change to Panel Quorum

The Panel considered [CPM047 'Change to Panel Quorum'](#) which sought to reduce the Panel quorum due to the number of active Wholesaler Panel Members becoming insufficient in January and February 2022. This change would be temporary until the Code Change Committee formally commenced its term in March 2022.

The Panel:

- **AGREED** (unanimous) to recommend CPM047 'Change to Panel Quorum'
- **AGREED** to recommend an implementation date of:
 - 14 January 2022, if Ofwat approval is received by 12 January 2022

4 Market Improvement Fund

The Panel considered a paper outlining the key components for the second MIF (Market Improvement Fund) funding round:

- Bidding application window – March 2022
- Total fund amount - £1.5 million
- Minimum/Maximum bid amount – Unchanged at £10K minimum and £150K maximum

The Panel:

- **APPROVED** (unanimous) the proposed key components (bidding application window, total fund amount and minimum and maximum bid amount) for the second MIF funding round