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SEC Panel Meeting 141_2406

24 June 2025 09:30 – 14:00

Panel Paper Overview

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FOR DECISION, DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION				
1.	Minutes and Actions Outstanding FOR DECISION Draft minutes and Non-Confidential Actions (GREEN) Draft Confidential minutes and Actions (RED)	The Panel will be presented with the Minutes from the 140 meeting and the Actions Outstanding.	APPROVE the minutes as final; and AGREE that any actions marked as Propose to Close can be closed.	Cady Chappell, SECAS
2.	Election timeline notification FOR INFORMATION (CLEAR)	SECAS will provide a verbal update in presentation form which illustrates the upcoming election and timeline.	NOTE the update.	Cady Chappell, SECAS

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3.	SEC Panel Sub-Committee Highlights FOR INFORMATION Overview paper, Appendices A & B (CLEAR) Appendices C, D & E (RED)	This paper provides the Panel and SEC Parties with an update on recent activities undertaken by its Sub-Committees. This includes the key issues discussed, along with details of specific points the Sub-Committees would like to highlight. It also includes an update on the progress of SEC Modifications and the recent and upcoming decisions of the Change Sub-Committee under delegated authority from the Panel.	NOTE the contents of this report.	Robin Healey, SECCo
4.	CSPN Long Range Radio Committed Term Sub-Group FOR DECISION (AMBER)	This paper summarises the activity that has taken place since DCC updated SEC Panel in December, following receipt of SEC Panel support for the preferred option in the Future Connectivity North Outline Business Case in September 2024.	DISCUSS the contents of this Paper; and AGREE for the Head of Industry Operations to engage with Small and Large Supplier parties to seek support to engage with an external consultancy to carry out the proposed Comms Hub replacement feasibility study.	Jason Stevens, SECCo
5.	PAB Update and Terms of Reference FOR DECISION (GREEN)	This paper presents an update to the Panel on several proposed revisions to the PAB Terms of Reference (ToR) and seeks the Panel's approval of these amendments.	APPROVE version 1.3 of the PAB Terms of Reference.	Beth Procter, SECCo

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6.	Customer Challenge Group (CCG) Update FOR DECISION (AMBER-STRICT)	This paper seeks Panel approval of the proposed approach to the set-up of the Customer Challenge Group (CCG).	AGREE for SECAS to perform the function of CCG Secretariat; RATIFY the approach to procuring the CCG resources; AGREE for SECCo and SECAS to commence activities to establish the CCG; and RECOMMEND the release of funds to the SECCo Board for CCG establishment activities against the relevant budget lines.	Robin Healey, SECCo
7.	User CIO Procurement Outcome FOR DECISION (RED)	This paper provides the outcome of the User Competent Independent Organisation (CIO)/ Independent Privacy Auditor (IPA) Procurement and requests SEC Panel approval of the preferred bidder and release of funds. This has been recommended by the Evaluation Panel, which included the SECCo Head of Service Management.	NOTE the outcome of the User CIO/ IPA Procurement and the preferred bidder recommendation from the Evaluation Panel, accounting for any impacts to the final outcome following the BAFO process; and; APPROVE that the winning bidder be appointed as the User CIO/ IPA	Fiona Bond, SECAS

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8.	DESNZ Update FOR INFORMATION (GREEN)	DESNZ will provide an update in presentation form which illustrates the upcoming and current consultations. <i>(Late Slides)</i>	NOTE the update.	Jim Cosgrove, DESNZ
9.	Smart Meter Energy Data Repository (SMEDR) Update FOR INFORMATION (TBC)	DESNZ will provide an update in presentation on SMEDR. <i>(Late Slides)</i>	NOTE the update.	Kamran Lamb & Simone Chappi, DESNZ
10.	Ofgem Update FOR INFORMATION (GREEN)	Ofgem will provide an update in presentation form which illustrates the upcoming and current consultations. <i>(Late Slides)</i>	NOTE the update.	Ian Chalfon, Ofgem
11.	Consultation Response • DCC 2 Scope & Objectives Consultation Phase FOR DECISION (CLEAR)	There is currently one open consultation to which SECCo (on behalf of the SEC Panel) wishes to respond. • Ofgem consultation on DCC Review Phase 2 This paper outlines the key messages that will form the response to this consultation.	DISCUSS and COMMENT on the key messages for the consultation detailed in the paper (in particular the Mandatory Business and Additional User Services); and AGREE to delegate approval of the consultation responses noted to the Panel Chair.	Oli Meggitt, SECCo

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12.	Operational Performance Regime (OPR) and Baseline Margin Project Performance Adjustment (BMPPA) FOR INFORMATION (CLEAR)	This paper sets out the SEC Panel's annual obligations to assess the engagement the DCC has undertaken with its customers for the prior Regulatory Year (RY24-25). This paper sets out the approach to fulfilling the requirements.	NOTE the proposed approach	Chris Thompson, SECAS
13.	SEC Engagement Day FOR DISCUSSION (AMBER)	This paper highlights core messages developed for the SEC Engagement Day (1 July) and seeks SEC Panel feedback, reflections and any additional considerations that SEC Panel would like the SECCo Executive Team to bear in mind.	NOTE the update; PROVIDE any reflections and/or considerations for SECCo Executive Team to consider before the SEC Engagement Day.	Alina Bakhareva, SECCo
14.	Customer Experience Project Outcomes FOR INFORMATION (AMBER)	SECCo will provide an update in presentation on the Customer Experience Project Outcomes.	NOTE the update	Hollie Danes-Grey, SECCo
15.	Brand re-design FOR DECISION (RED)	This paper seeks Panel approval for a brand/ corporate style re-design project – SEC (Smart Energy Code) Brand and Visual Identity Evolution. The paper outlines: a) the project scope – three work packages, b) approach	RECOMMEND to the Board the approval of the budget for proposed services.	Alina Bakhareva, SECCo

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		for selecting the agency, and c) the cost. The figures quoted below are commercially sensitive and have been negotiated down from standard rates proposed to commercial organisations to recognise our not-for-profit status.		
16.	DCC On-Boarding FOR INFORMATION (GREEN)	This paper provides the Panel with visibility of the Onboarding Improvement Project which the DCC, with support from DESNZ and in collaboration with SECCo, are running in response to findings from two independent, Government commissioned reports on the long-standing challenges with the customer onboarding process.	NOTE the contents of this paper and; NOTE that this initiative is being brought forward for visibility, in line with SEC governance expectations. There are no expected actions required of the SEC Panel at this stage.	Paul Clark, DCC & Alina Bakhareva, SECCo
17.	Quarterly Event of Default Update FOR DECISION (RED)	The purpose of this paper is to provide the SEC Panel with updates on new and existing Events of Defaults (EoD), Parties that have entered the Supplier of Last Resort (SoLR) process, and to seek SEC Panel approval of the proposed course of action. The paper also outlines details of a Party refusing to pay cancellation charges relating to SEC Security & Privacy Assessment fees and proposed next steps.	NOTE the update, and AGREE the action.	Lorna Clarke, SECAS

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18.	Contract & Funding Requests FOR DECISION (RED)	The SEC Panel is requested to consider and approve the request to extend three consultancy contracts. The Board will then be requested to sign the related contracts, and release associated funds.	NOTE the contents of this paper; APPROVE that Gridmerge Limited be engaged as the SMKI Specialist for up to 3 years, and associated budget; APPROVE the 3-month SoW for Engage Consulting, and associated budget; APPROVE the 3-month extension for Kate Goodman, and associated budget; and RECOMMEND to the Board that the above contract be entered into, and funds released.	Abi Hermon, SECAS
19.	Horizon 7 Update FOR DECISION (RED)	Documentation sent directly to Panel from SECCo		N/A
20.	Transitional Governance update FOR INFORMATION (GREEN)	SECAS provides its view in presentation form on the recent Transitional Governance meetings, and highlights any updates relevant to the SEC.	NOTE the update.	N/A

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21.	DCC Operational Update FOR INFORMATION Operational update and Major Incident Reporting (AMBER)	The DCC will provide an Operations update, covering the high- level updates from the previous month. The Major Incident report gives an incident summary, actions taken and root cause.	NOTE the update.	N/A
22.	User CIO Quarterly Performance Review FOR INFORMATION (GREEN)	This paper provides the SEC Panel with an overview of the Q4 2024-25 (Jan-Mar) quarterly performance review meeting held between the User Competent Independent Organisation (User CIO), SSC Chair, SECCo and SECAS. The Panel is asked to note the contents of this paper and share any further feedback regarding User CIO performance, with the SECAS Security and Privacy team.	NOTE the contents of this paper.	N/A
23.	Any Other Business	- DCCs proposed go-live approach for SMETS1 DCO re-procurement		Angela Love, Panel Chair