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## SEC Panel Meeting 152

09:30 – 14:00

### SECP\_152\_2605 – Meeting Headlines

#### Decision, Discussion and Information Items

##### 1. SECP\_152\_2605\_01: Minutes and Actions Outstanding (For Decision) (RED)

The Panel **APPROVED** the confidential and non-confidential minutes from SEC Panel 151, including minor amendments.

The Panel **NOTED** the Actions update and **AGREED** to close all actions marked as Propose to Close, except for SECP149/05, pending further information from the SMDA on the DCC's decision to not use the SMDA for independent Communications Hub testing.

##### 2. SECP\_152\_2605\_02: SEC Panel Sub-Committee Highlights (For Information) (RED)

SECCo provided updates on the latest Sub-Committee activities and key issues, including highlighting the agenda and focus areas for the upcoming Finance Sub-Committee pilot meeting scheduled for 28 May 2026. SECCo also provided an overview of the Customer Challenge Group's (CCG) upcoming activities related to [Ofgem's consultation on the DCC's Draft Allowed Revenue Determination](#), and a CCG forward look.

The Panel **NOTED** the update and **AGREED** for action SECP150/CONF02 to be closed.

##### 3. SECP\_152\_2605\_03: Ofgem Draft Determination on allowed Revenue (For Discussion) (GREEN)

The DCC presented its review of the [Ofgem's Draft Determination on DCC's allowed Revenue](#), which covers the period of November 2026 to March 2028. The DCC highlighted the Draft Determination broadly maintains funding for core services and major programmes and proposes a disallowance of 6%.

The DCC advised the deadline for consultation responses is 14 July 2026, with the Final Determination expected to be handed down by Ofgem by 30 September 2026. The DCC will engage with the CCG and attend a stakeholder event run by Ofgem in June, as part of next steps.

The Panel **NOTED** the update and **AGREED** to consider Panel's response to the consultation at the June Panel meeting.

##### 4. SECP\_152\_2605\_04: Quarterly Risks Update (For Decision) (RED)

SECAS provided the Panel with the Quarterly Risks Update. The Panel **APPROVED** the additions and amendments to the SEC Panel Risks and Issues and **NOTED** the updates to Sub-Committee Risks and Issues. In addition, the Panel **AGREED** for action SECP149/CONF02 to be closed.

##### 5. SECP\_152\_2605\_05: Annual Performance Assurance Report (APAR) (For Decision) (RED)

SECCo and the SEC PA presented the Annual Performance Assurance Report (APAR) for SEC Panel consideration. SEC PA highlighted the APAR covers activities from January to March 2026 and

focuses on the establishment of the Performance Assurance Framework, service management, stakeholder engagement, and the Proof-of-Concept activity.

The Panel **AGREED** to delegate approval of the APAR to the Panel Chair, including the circulation of the APAR on the SEC Website.

#### **6. SECP\_152\_2605\_06: SMEDR Update (For Discussion) (RED)**

The DCC provided an update on the DCC's Smart Meter Energy Data Repository (SMEDR) proposal, which began as a DESNZ funded innovation program in 2022 and concluded in 2025, and assessed the viability of unlocking additional use cases through improved access to smart metering data.

The Panel **DISCUSSED** the SMEDR in the wider industry context and **NOTED** that DESNZ will publish the joint Ofgem-DESNZ scoping exercise response in June 2026, with an Ofgem consultation on the Domain Co-ordinator role under the Energy Digitalisation Framework to follow, over the summer.

#### **7. SECP\_152\_2605\_07: DESNZ Update (For Information) (GREEN)**

DESNZ provided an update on its recent publications, forthcoming consultations, and key milestones. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

#### **8. SECP\_152\_2605\_08: Ofgem Update (For Information) (GREEN)**

Ofgem provided an update on its recent publications, forthcoming consultations, and key milestones. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

#### **9. SECP\_152\_2605\_09: Consultations (For Decision) (CLEAR)**

SECCo provided the Panel with proposed response themes to the following consultations:

- Minded-to position for Project Activity 2 (Customer Engagement) of the DCC BMPPA Scheme for the 4G Communications Hubs and Networks Programme; and
- DESNZ consultation on further SEC Changes relating to Virtual WAN.

The Panel **PROVIDED FEEDBACK** on the proposed responses and **AGREED** to delegate approval of the consultation responses to the Panel Chair.

#### **10. SECP\_152\_2605\_10: Draft End of Regulatory Year Report (For Decision) (AMBER)**

SECCo presented the Draft End of Regulatory Year Report 2025-26 for Panel feedback and approval. The Panel **PROVIDED FEEDBACK** on the draft report and **RECOMMENDED** the inclusion of an executive summary or synthesised overview document.

The Panel **APPROVED** the content of the Draft End of Regulatory Report 2025-26, subject to the Panel Chair's final review, and **AGREED** to its circulation via appropriate communication channels.

#### **SECP\_152\_2605\_11: SEC Party Engagement Day Agenda (For Decision) (CLEAR)**

SECCo presented an update on the SEC Party Engagement Day, which is scheduled for 15 July 2026, and provided an overview of prospective agenda items and an update on venue availability.

The Panel **NOTED** the update and **REQUESTED** that a 'Save the date' invitation be issued to SEC Parties, ahead of a central London venue finalisation.

#### **11. SECP\_152\_2605\_12: Engagement and Communications Strategy (For Information) (GREEN)**

SECCo presented an update on the SECCo Engagement and Communications Strategy, including providing an overview of strategic priorities and presenting the Panel with a view of re-branding material.

The Panel **COMMENTED** on the need to ensure accessibility requirements are considered for any re-branded materials and **NOTED** the update.

**12. SECP\_152\_2605\_13: Contract Requests (For Decision) (RED)**

SECCo provided the Panel with details of SECCo Contract requests. The Panel **APPROVED** the contract requests and **RECOMMENDED** to the Board that the contracts be entered into and funds released.

**13. SECP\_152\_2605\_14: DCC Consultations and Operational Update (For Information) (AMBER)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**14. SECP\_152\_2605\_15: 2G in the North Update (For Information) (GREEN)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**15. SECP\_152\_2605\_16: DCC Onboarding Update (For Information) (GREEN)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**16. SECP\_152\_2605\_17: Sub-Committee Reporting (For Information) (CLEAR)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**17. SECP\_152\_2605\_18: SEC User Entry Update (For Information) (RED)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**18. SECP\_152\_2605\_19: Transitional Governance Update (For Information) (GREEN)**

This paper was provided for information only. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

**19. SECP\_152\_2605\_20: Any Other Business (AOB) (CLEAR)**

The Chair advised that the Government has increased the mileage rate to reimburse the use of a private car, and the Panel Expenses Policy will be updated in line with this change.

The DCC Panel Member reminded Panel that the 2G service in the North would be switched off on 31<sup>st</sup> May and that DCC had been liaising with SEC Supplier Parties to ensure that they were aware of this.

No further business was discussed.

**Next Meeting Date: 23 June 2026.**