MP103 'DCC SOC2 Assessment'

April 2020 Working Group Meeting summary

Overview

SECAS provided an overview of the issue identified by MP103 and the proposed solution.

Issue:

- Service Organisation Control 2 (SOC2) audit framework is inflexible and proves difficult to adapt to the DCC and its Service Providers

- SOC2 Assessment proves burdensome and provides no benefit to the Data Communications Company (DCC) nor the Security Sub-Committee (SSC), whilst incurring unnecessary cost

Proposed Solution:

- Changes to SEC Section G 'Security' would enable the DCC to make necessary changes to replace SOC2 assessment.

- Once changes are complete, the DCC will then work towards presenting a replacement security assessment for the current SOC2 arrangements. Changes to Section G would enable the DCC to make necessary changes to replace SOC2 assessment.

Actions

The Working Group agreed with the proposed legal text, and that the modification should proceed to a Refinement Consultation.

Next Steps

The following actions were recorded from the meeting:

- SECAS will prepare and issue a Refinement Consultation which will be released on week commencing Monday 6 April.

- Following the Refinement Consultation, SECAS will provide the Panel with an update on progress.