

# Digitalised Whole System Technical Code (dWSTC) Meeting Minutes

## Steering Group Meeting 8

**Date:** 20/07/2022      **Location:** MS Teams  
**Start:** 2:00PM      **End:** 4:00PM

## Participants

Attendee	Attend/Regrets	Attendee	Attend/Regrets
Jon Wisdom (JW) NGESO - Interim Chairperson	Attend	Jeremy Caplin (JC) Elexon - Wider Industry	Attend
Alan Creighton (AC) NPg - Distribution Network Operator	Attend	Steve Cox (SC) ENWL - Distribution Network Operator	Regrets
Ruth Kemsley (RK) EDF Renewables - Grid Code Party	Attend	Garth Graham (GG) SSE - Grid Code Party	Regrets
Mark Dunk (MD) ENA - Distribution Code Administrator	Attend	Gareth Haines (GH) Vattenfall - Independent Distribution Network Operators	Regrets
Gareth Evans (GE) ICOSS - Trade Association	Attend	Daniel De Wijze (DDW) Renewable UK - Trade Association	Attend
Gurpal Singh (GS) - Ofgem	Attend	Ed Rees (ER) Citizens Advice - Consumer	Regrets
Sean Winchester (SW) - BEIS	Regrets	Xiao-Ping Zhang (XPZ) Birmingham University - Wider Industry Alternate	Attend
Malcolm Barnacle (MB) SSEN Transmission - Onshore Transmission Owner	Regrets	Helen Stack (HS) Centrica - Distribution Code Party	Regrets
Robert Wilson (RW) NGESO - Electricity System Operator		Lauren Preston (LP) NGESO - Grid Code Administrator Alternate	Attend
Frank Kasibante (FK) NGESO - Technical Secretary	Attend	Richard Hubbert (RH) NGESO - Guest	Attend
Alex Head (AH) NGESO - Guest	Attend		Choose an item.

## Minutes recipients

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## Agenda

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1. Approval of 17/06/2022 Meeting Minutes
  2. Industry Engagement - Update
  3. ASR Workstream Update
  4. Digitalisation Workstream Update - Preview of user research activities
  5. Members Comments
  6. Any Other Business  
Engagement strategy - Members' suggestions
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## Discussion

The discussions held during the meeting are summarised below:

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### Approval of 17/06/2022 Meeting Minutes

The updated minutes were approved to be published. AC raised a typo that needed correction prior to publication of those minutes.

**ACTION:** FK to make the correction and share amended version with Steering Group prior to publication.

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### Industry Engagement - Update

FK gave an update from Grid Code Development Forum (GCDF) noting good engagement from attendees and that the forum enabled reaching out to small and less established market participants.

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### ASR Workstream Update

FK Informed the steering group that the initial session of the ASR workstream had been held on 5th July and that members were due to commence qualification and prioritisation work at their next scheduled meeting on 29th July 2022.

AC noted a concern that generators were less represented on the team.

FK Indicated that efforts were underway to get more generator representation on the team. RW agreed and said that a particular focus had been with trade organisations to try to either access their support or use this as a route to their membership.

DDW reiterated Renewable UK's effort to support targeted engagement and was already working with FK towards achieving that goal.

RK shared her commitment to reach out to her contacts regarding participation in the ASR workstream and further noted that it was generally easier for people to engage when there is tangible material.

JW noted that the team would bear the risk in mind and work on mitigation.

JC observed that it is important to note that the work on the Grid Code's Operation Code No.2 (OC2) might require a Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) change.

RW noted that the OC2 work does not intend to change obligations but to make it more accessible and by using a real example seek to illustrate the approaches that can be used.

RK said OC2 was not the most obvious choice but a very good starting point for the ASR work.

JW wondered whether this was the sort of update that the group wanted?

RK/AC indicated that these updates were good and quite useful and that sharing early ASR workstream findings would be a good way forward.

**ACTION:** FK to share ASR workstream early findings via circulation

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### Digitalisation Workstream Update - Preview of user research activities

**LP** provided an update on digitalisation indicating that a survey had been published and would remain open for a month. Focus groups that would test prototypes and input on what improvements must be made were being assembled. She introduced RH and AH who briefly demonstrated the prototype wireframes.

**RK** wondered whether priority could be given to a phased search and about the treatment and linking to legal definitions in the glossary. She reiterated that on its own as it stood was a good start.

**AC** expressed the need for emphasis on absolute clarity on what is and isn't a defined term (e.g., what's a Grid Code definition vs a helpful text?). He also noted that associated definitions should be included while developing the solution.

**JC** noted that a good accessibility level was worth considering when developing the digitalised code solution.

**LP** indicated that next steps would be user research activities, user interviews and customer journey work to understand where pain points are. She reiterated that the team was keen for their work to be steered by users.

**AC** suggested that it is worth considering where the journey starts while developing the customer journeys, so for example a desire to apply for connection to the system or a wish to explore the requirements on a particular technology type.

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### Members Comments

**JW** sought to know whether members had any general comments.

**AC** encouraged all steering group members to fill in the survey on code digitalisation that was referred to earlier by **LP**.

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### Any Other Business

#### Engagement strategy - Members' suggestions

**JW** - wondered whether steering group members could engage with members of their organisations or the categories of user that they represent?

**Meeting frequency:** The steering group agreed to retain the meeting frequency to enable retention of the correct engagement by and from members. The option to revisit the idea again sometime in the future was also agreed. **JW** indicated that more information from Ofgem/BEIS could come in soon, requiring Steering Group members' input and therefore agreed with the rest of the members that the meeting frequency should be retained but that this could be kept under review. Meetings are in the calendar until Christmas although with no meeting scheduled for August - so the next one is on Sept 13th.

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