

DSC Delivery Sub-Group

Meeting Summary

Monday 24th August 2026 at 10:30am
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Industry Attendees		
Name	Organisation	Initials
Daniel Kearney	Utilita	DK
Andrew Rowlands	ESG	AR
Joanne Rush	SSE	JRU
Danny Cortis	EDF Energy	DC
Paul Senior	Utilita	PS
Anusha Patel	Corona Energy	AP

Xoserve/Correla Attendees	
Name	Initials
Karen Gray	KG
Paul Orsler	PO
Kirby Smith	KS
James Randle	JR
Vikki Orsler	VO
Rob Westwood	RW
Ceri Jones	CJ
Simon Harris	SH

Slides available [here](#).



1. General Meeting Administration

1a. Welcome and Introductions

Karen Gray (KG) welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced herself as the DSC Portfolio Release Manager. KG confirmed the agenda and advised that the meeting would cover a change proposal, a change pack, project updates and the change delivery pipeline.

KG informed all attendees that this meeting is being recorded and published on Xoserve's website.

1b. Previous DSG Meeting Summary and Action Updates

KG asked attendees to review the previous Delivery Sub-Group (DSG) meeting summary. No comments were received and the summary was approved. KG confirmed there were no outstanding actions to review from the previous meeting.

2. Changes in Change Development

2a. New Change Proposals

2ai. XRN 6115 - Minor Release 17 Parent Change Proposal

KG presented XRN 6115, the parent change proposal for Minor Release 17. The release consists of four changes:

- XRN 5582B - Energy Invoice Upload from UK Link to Gemini
- XRN 5805 - Alternative Solution to Address Instances Where VBA Macros are Present in DN Templates
- XRN 5955 - Private Networks Duplicate MPRNs Long-Term Fix
- XRN 6081B - Meter Reading Service Improvements: Reconciliation of Multiple Read Requirements Historic Reporting and Technical Solution

The release is currently targeting implementation at the end of November 2026. The changes are funded through Service and Operate activities, although additional costs associated with XRN 5955 are currently being assessed. No questions or concerns were raised by DSG representatives.

2b. Undergoing Solution Options Impact Assessment Review - None for this meeting

3. Detailed Design

3a. Design Considerations

3a.i XRN 5955 - Private Networks Duplicate MPRNs Long-Term Fix

James Randle (JR) presented the solution overview for XRN 5955. The change is designed to address duplicate meter point issues affecting private network sites. The solution will:

- Receive and validate current private network address information supplied by Ofgem.
- Undertake a two-stage matching process consisting of:
 - Full address matching.
 - Postcode matching and manual review.
- Produce lists of potential duplicate meter points for affected networks.
- Introduce a new allowable value to support identification of private network duplicates.
- Record private network meter points separately from standard meter points.
- Implement updates to a number of BAU processes to prevent future duplicate creation, including reporting, address maintenance and meter point creation activities.

JR advised that the majority of system impacts will be within CMS. Additional CMS testing activity outside the standard Minor Release scope has resulted in an estimated additional cost of approximately £30,000.

JR also confirmed that the option of displaying private network identifiers within customer-facing systems such as Find My Supplier was considered but discounted due to the associated cost and limited benefits.

No questions or concerns were raised by attendees.

3b. Requirements Clarification – None for this meeting

4. Major Release Updates

4a. XRN 5983 - February 2026 Major Release

Rob Westwood (RW) provided an update on the February 2026 Major Release which included:

- XRN 5906 - Extended PC4 Read Submission Window



- XRN 5872 - Updates to the AQ Amendment Process
- XRN 5914 - Shorten the Line in the Sand Period
- XRN 5922 - Change the Line in the Sand Process to a Rolling Period

RW confirmed the release was implemented successfully on 27 February 2026, on time and within budget.

Three of the four changes have now completed Post Implementation Support (PIS). XRN 5872 remains open while discussions continue with PAC regarding reporting requirement submissions and the timing of first usage.

No questions were raised by DSG representatives.

4b. XRN 6045 - June 2026 Major Release

RW provided an update on the June 2026 Major Release which included:

- XRN 5702 - Update to Replace Fax as a Form of Communication
- XRN 5805 - Alternative Solution to Address Instances Where VBA Macros are Present in DN Templates

The release was implemented successfully on 26 June 2026. The project has now progressed through closure activities, and a close-down report is expected to be presented to Change Management Committee in September 2026.

No questions were raised by DSG representatives.

4c. XRN 6065 - Minor Release 16

RW provided an update on Minor Release 16 which delivered:

- XRN 6081A - Meter Reading Service Improvements: Fix Historic NDM Check-to-Check Reconciliation Issues

The release was originally planned for implementation on 14 August 2026.

During testing, three defects were identified which required utilisation of the contingency implementation date of 21 August 2026.

RW confirmed the change was successfully implemented on 21 August 2026 and, at the time of reporting, no post-implementation issues had been identified.

4d. Minor Release 17

KG provided a further update on Minor Release 17.

The current indicative implementation date is 27 November 2026. The release contains four candidate changes, including XRN 5955 and the remaining XRN 5805 template activities.

KG advised that XRN 5955 currently carries additional delivery costs of approximately £25,000 which will be funded by Distribution Networks.

No questions were raised.

4e. November 2026 Release

KG provided an update on XRN 6095, the November 2026 release.

The original scope included:

XRN 6081C - Enduring Solution for NDM Check-to-Check Reconciliation

XRN 5940 - Addition of Consumption Adjustment and Updated Meter

Readings to Initiate an AQ Calculation Month (Modification 0890)

Following previous discussions regarding costs, funding arrangements and benefits, XRN 6081C has been temporarily removed from scope pending further review.

An updated Business Evaluation Report will be presented to Change Management in September.

KG advised that, although referenced as the November release, XRN 5940 is now targeting implementation on 29 January 2027 to ensure adequate focus and delivery assurance.

No questions were raised.

5. Change Pipeline

KG presented the latest Change Delivery Pipeline and forward view of planned change activity.

Key updates included:

- The November 2026 release implementation is now expected to take place in January 2027.
- Implemented changes continue to be tracked within the pipeline view.
- XRN 5805 remains visible within the pipeline as the remaining templates will be delivered through Minor Release 17.
- Three changes currently remain on hold while further assessment is undertaken with the service provider.
- One previously on-hold change has been removed following incorporation into the wider Address Project.

No questions were raised by attendees.

6. AOB

6a. UK Link Sustain Outage Reminder

RW and Paul Orsler (PO) provided a reminder regarding the forthcoming UK Link Sustain outage. The outage supports upgrades across four core applications:

- ISU
- BW
- AMT



- PO

The outage is scheduled between Friday 28 August and Saturday 29 August 2026.

During the outage:

- Inbound files received after 9:00pm on Friday 28 August will be held until service restoration.
- Outbound files will not be processed.
- SwitchStream processing will be unavailable.
- CMS will not be available to users and a maintenance page will be displayed.

Following completion of the outage activities, held files will be processed and services restored according to the agreed recovery sequence.

PO confirmed there are no anticipated impacts to Gemini services, although specific monitoring and continuity activities will be undertaken throughout the outage window.

Attendees were advised to contact the project team if further information on UK Link, Gemini or portal impacts is required.

No concerns were raised.

This was the end of Monday 24th August 2026 DSC Delivery Sub-Group meeting.

Next Meeting: 21st September 2026

If you have any questions relating to the above meeting summary, please email uklink@xoserve.com