

## Introduction

Welcome to the CACoP Newsletter, the voice of the Code Administration Code of Practice (CACoP). This quarterly newsletter from the CACoP Forum provides you with the latest information on cross-Code issues, important dates and key events.

In this edition, we will be covering:

- The development and launch date of the central CACoP website
- News and developments across the different Codes
- A closer look at how we are achieving CACoP Principle 8

If you have feedback on this Newsletter or if there are any further items you'd like us to be covering, please contact your Code Administrator – our details are available in the [Code Administration Code of Practice](#).

## The Latest Forum Discussions

All the approved minutes from the CACoP Forum meetings in 2021 are available on the Master Registration Agreement (MRA) website [here](#).

## Central CACoP website: due to launch in September

Many of you have highlighted to us your views that a central CACoP website would benefit you by providing a single source of cross-Code information.

Responding to this feedback, we have developed the requirements and the business case for such a website, which was agreed by the Code Panels earlier this year.

We are now building this website and are on course for it to go live in early September 2021. We will inform you once this website is live and where you can find it via your Code Administrator.

On this website, you will be able to find:

- CACoP products, such as the Central Modifications Register and the Horizon Scanner

- CACoP Forum meeting documents and minutes
- Guidance notes that will be produced by the Forum
- The CACoP Newsletter, with an option to receive a copy directly into your inbox each quarter

## Dates for your diary

Upcoming CACoP Forum meetings:

- 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021
- 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021
- 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Please email [cacop@gemserv.com](mailto:cacop@gemserv.com) if you would like to attend and observe any of these meetings.

## News and Developments

### Workgroup Code of Conduct document

The CACoP Forum has developed a Code of Conduct document which aims to provide some rules of engagement and behaviour in Workgroups.

The document is to be used as a tool for chairs, helping to create a level playing field and respectful environment to enable Workgroup members to voice their opinions and work collaboratively together to achieve their set tasks. The document, shared by all Code Administrators, helps to achieve a consistent set of rules for Workgroups across all codes.

### Future status of the Joint Office of Gas Transporters

The Joint Office of Gas Transporters has announced its intention to move the work presently undertaken by the Joint Office of Gas Transporters into a new limited company.

The Joint Office is governed and resourced collectively by the Gas Transporters through the Joint Governance Arrangements Committee and the Joint Governance Arrangements Agreement. The Joint Office of Gas Transporters has identified that, although the current model has been successful, it is completely reliant on Gas Transporters. The Joint Office needs to be capable of anticipating and responding to

developments with more agility than in the past and so a new approach is required.

The Joint Office of Gas Transporters has been considering how to ensure it is able to

effectively work with stakeholders to facilitate the changes needed to meet the UK Net Zero targets. It has found that creating a limited company from the existing Joint Office would minimise short-term disruption to current services while creating a platform to meet new demands and provide enhanced services in the future. Therefore, it intends to create a new limited company from July 2021.

More information can be found on the Joint Office website [here](#).

### CUSC Panel Elections

The Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) election takes place every two years. It determines the CUSC (Users) Panel members and Alternates for the period 1 October 2021 to 30 September 2023.

In order to be eligible to vote, you must have been a CUSC Schedule 1 party on 20 June 2021. National Grid ESO has prepared a guide to the election, to explain:

- The timeline for the elections and how they will take place
- How CUSC Schedule 1 parties are able to vote

You can find the guide [here](#).

### Energy Code Review

The Energy Code Reform: Governance Framework Consultation has now been published [here](#). BEIS and Ofgem are seeking views on its proposed institutional governance framework for the energy codes. The consultation closes on 28 September.

## Principle Focus



We have now reached Principle 8 in our look at the CACoP Principles.

This principle requires the estimated central system implementation costs to be provided and consulted upon prior to a Modification's final decision.

Most of the Codes are linked to central systems, which may then be impacted by a Modification. Where this is the case, the Code Administrator will liaise with the relevant system provider to obtain an assessment of the impacts and costs for changing the systems.

Wherever possible, this will be done during the solution development phase so that Code Parties can take this into account as part of their assessment of the Modification. This information will be included in any consultations issued during this time and considered by any relevant Workgroup.

In certain circumstances, a Code Panel can agree for this cost information to not be provided. However, such circumstances are extremely rare, and will usually be to prevent unnecessary delay or assessment cost.

The Code Administrator will also seek an indication of Parties' implementation costs during a Modification's assessment, to feed into the cost-benefit analysis. If you request it, this information can be kept confidential and only shared with the Code Panel and Authority. You

can also submit this information directly to the Authority if you want.

Code Administrators will review the actual implementation costs for a Modification following go-live. Where these are significantly different (be it higher or lower) to the estimated costs, the Code Administrator will review this for any lessons to be learnt.

We always welcome your feedback on how we are doing and if there's more you think we could do. If you have any comments or feedback on this, your Code Administrator will be happy to listen and capture your views.

## CACoP Products

The CACoP Forum has produced several items to help you navigate the cross-Code landscape:

- The [Central Modifications Register](#), updated monthly, lists all the open modifications across all the Codes.
- The [Horizon Scanner](#), updated every few months, summarises all the wider industry initiatives over the next five years which are expected to impact at least two of the Codes.

If there are any other items you would find useful and would like the CACoP Forum to consider, please let your Code Administrator know.