

Meeting Session	Panel (Open Session)
Paper Reference	Panel_2026_0318_07_CACoP Forum Headline Report
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Code Administrators Code of Practice (CACoP) Forum Headline Report

1. Synopsis

- 1.1 This report sets out the headlines from the CACoP Forum meeting held on 25 February 2026 via Microsoft Teams. The full minutes and associated papers will be made available on the CACoP website.

2. Agenda Items Covered

- 2.1 During the last CACoP Forum meeting, the following agenda items were covered:

Actions Update

2.2 Horizon Scanner

- Forum members discussed the future of the Horizon Scanner, noting it has not been published for over a year and that its value and purpose have become uncertain. Members observed duplication with individual code forward work programmes and low engagement from stakeholders.
- It was agreed that the Terms of Reference do not mandate publication nor define a frequency or format. Ofgem will confirm whether a consolidated scanner is required or if links to individual code scanners would fulfil the obligation. The action remains **open**.

2.3 2024 CACoP Code Survey (Ref 0912/02)

- Elexon confirmed that survey responses are being consolidated, following improved response rates after reminders to forum members to provide highlights from the survey. Members discussed the intended purpose, format and publication timing, with several attendees questioning the value of publishing results so long after survey completion.
- Members requested sight of the draft output to ensure accuracy, particularly concerning the inclusion of SEC data. The draft will be circulated by **28 February**, with comments due by **06 March 2026**, before being sent to Gemserv for publication. The action remains **open**.

2.4 Chair Handover (Ref 0912/03)

- The Chair confirmed that the handover from Elexon to NESO is complete. This action is **closed**.

Ofgem Update

2.5 Members noted that Ofgem had provided comments on the latest CACoP draft. Key areas requiring amendment relate to:

- Clarifying use of the term “*Code Managers*”, to avoid confusion with future licensing arrangements.
- Ensuring a footnote is included to distinguish existing Code Managers from any future licensed entities.
- Updating Principle 12 to reflect a move from annual to **every-other-year** surveys, noting confusion around the term “biannual”. Forum members will review terminology to ensure clarity.
- Ofgem confirmed that recent decisions on data best practice require changes to **Principle 17**, and the introduction of a new standalone **Principle 18**. These should not be combined, as Principle 18 introduces a distinct publication obligation. The draft will be updated to reflect Ofgem’s decision. The DCUSA Secretariat has completed this drafting on behalf of the group and this has been shared with the Chair.

2.6 The updated version will be circulated for Forum review and then progressed through:

- Panel input (see attachment 1),
- stakeholder consultation, and
- final submission to Ofgem for approval.

Any Other Business

2.7 Survey Results

- Members reiterated that the consolidated survey results will be circulated for review before being passed to Gemserv, with comments due by **06 March 2026**. A clearer timeline for future surveys—reflecting the new every-other-year cadence—will be brought to a future meeting.

2.8 Horizon Scanner

- Before confirming the future approach, Ofgem will verify whether CACoP explicitly requires publication of a consolidated Horizon Scanner, or whether referencing individual code scanners would be sufficient.

2.9 Forum Regularity

- Members agreed to move from **bimonthly** to **monthly** Forum meetings. Meetings will be held on a **Tuesday** during the **third week of each month**, with sessions cancelled if there are no agenda items.

2.10 CACoP Website Calendar

- Members highlighted inconsistencies in cross-code and industry meeting listings on the CACoP website calendar. It was noted that Codes remain responsible for maintaining their own entries. REC will follow up internally where needed and provide access to anyone who needs it. It should be noted that the DCUSA Panel Open Session meetings have been populated and published on the CACoP website.

2.11 Ofgem Consultation – Sector Performance Indicators

- Ofgem highlighted a new consultation on proposed indicators for Ofgem performance and the health of the energy sector, encouraging members to provide feedback before the closing date of **07 April 2026**.

3. Date of Next Meeting

- 3.1 The next CACoP Forum meeting will be held on 17 March 2026 but the exact date is yet to be confirmed.

4. Actions

- 4.1 The DCUSA Panel is invited to:
- **NOTE** the contents of this Paper; and

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