

Meeting Session	Panel (Open Session)
Paper Reference	Panel_2026_0819_09_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 key headlines from the CACoP Forum meeting held on 21 July 2026 via Microsoft Teams.

2. Actions Update

Principles Update (Ref 2502/01)

- 2.1 Forum members reviewed feedback received on draft Principles 12, 17 and 18 following consideration by a number of industry Panels. Discussions focused on the proposed assessment framework associated with Principle 17, clarification of data best practice requirements, and feedback relating to the use of the term ‘endeavour’ within the drafting. Members noted that data best practice requirements are expected to form part of future Code Manager licence obligations and that feedback received would be incorporated before the Principles are progressed further. The action was subsequently closed.

Horizon Scanner Review and Terms of Reference Update (Ref 1205/01 & 1205/03)

- 2.2 Members considered website usage statistics associated with the CACoP Horizon Scanner, noting that engagement remained limited, with only twenty views recorded from six individuals during the previous quarter. Forum members discussed whether the Horizon Scanner continued to provide sufficient value and concluded that it had largely been superseded by alternative cross-code initiatives.
- 2.3 Following discussion, Forum members unanimously supported removing the Horizon Scanner from the CACoP Terms of Reference. It was agreed that the Terms of Reference would be recirculated with the relevant references removed to provide members with a further opportunity to review the wider document and submit any additional comments.

Terms of Reference Comprehensive Review (Ref 1205/02)

- 2.4 The Chair confirmed that limited feedback had been received on the wider Terms of Reference review. Forum members agreed that additional time should be provided for members to consider the document, with further discussion to take place at a future meeting. The action remains open.

Adding a Reporting Metric related to Ofgem Attendance at Workgroups (Ref 1205/04)

- 2.5 Ofgem confirmed that only high-level information regarding Authority attendance at workgroups was required and advised that the purpose of the exercise was to improve understanding of attendance patterns and support comparisons between externally reported and internally tracked information. The action was closed.

3. Workplan Update

CACoP Principles

- 3.1 Members continued their review of proposed updates to the CACoP Principles, including discussions on the Open Energy Data Maturity Framework, data best practice obligations and the terminology used within the Principles. Members considered whether alternative wording could provide greater clarity and discussed the suitability of introducing a 'comply or explain' approach for data best practice requirements. Forum members generally recognised the importance of progressing the updated Principles ahead of the first Code Manager designations.

Terms of Reference

- 3.2 Members reviewed the Terms of Reference and discussed the process required to remove the Horizon Scanner following the earlier vote. Ofgem confirmed that amendments to the Terms of Reference can be approved directly by the Forum and do not require separate Authority approval.

CACoP Survey Timing

- 3.3 Members discussed whether the annual CACoP Survey should be undertaken earlier in the year to increase the time available for stakeholders and code bodies to consider and respond to findings. The discussion recognised the forthcoming Code Manager appointments and wider Energy Code Reform activity as drivers for revisiting the timetable.
- 3.4 Members supported the proposal in principle, whilst noting the importance of avoiding clashes with stakeholder surveys undertaken elsewhere in the industry where possible. NESO agreed to bring forward a proposed survey timetable for consideration at the August 2026 meeting.

4. Ofgem Update

- 4.1 Ofgem advised that there were no substantive Authority updates for this meeting and indicated that further updates are expected to be provided at the August CACoP Forum meeting.

5. Any Other Business

Central Modification Register Template

- 5.1 Members received an update on proposals to include modification prioritisation information within Central Modification Registers to increase transparency of assessment outcomes and support implementation of the updated prioritisation framework.
- 5.2 Forum members generally supported the proposal, although some representatives wished to undertake further discussions internally before providing formal agreement. It was agreed that the matter would remain under review and that an update would be circulated once additional feedback had been received.

6. Date of Next Meeting

- 6.1 The next CACoP Forum meeting will be held on 18 August 2026.

7. Actions

- 7.1 The DCUSA Panel is invited to:
- **NOTE** the contents of this Paper.

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