

DCC: Set up for Success?

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(Re)Introducing ELEXON

By now, you should know us and our model ...

So what's new around ELEXON?

- Moving towards half hour settlement
- Maintaining data quality
- Contributing expertise to the SMIP
- Strengthening our team
- Understanding the risks that will face the DCC Licence holder





What we'll talk about today...

Drivers of the DCC Regulatory Framework

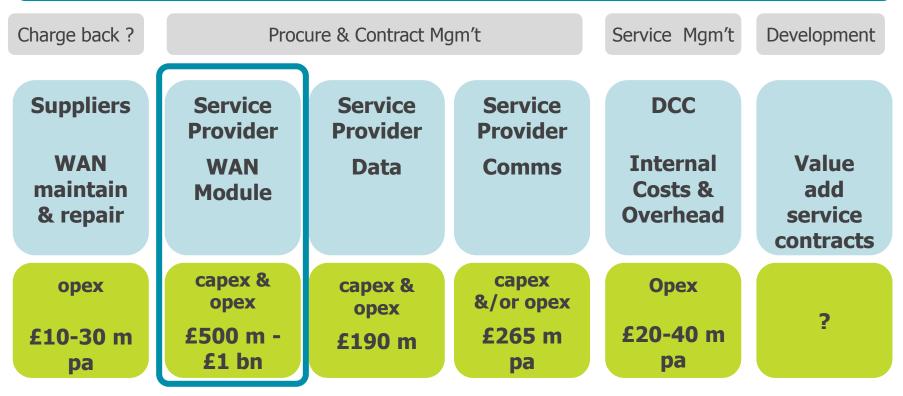
Objectives	Business Activities	Risks
We need to ensure:Consumer protection	1. How do the DCC activities fit together?	3. Consequences of parallel procurement
 Operational integrity Promote competition 	2. What are the considerations around the WAN module?	4. How should we map and manage risks?

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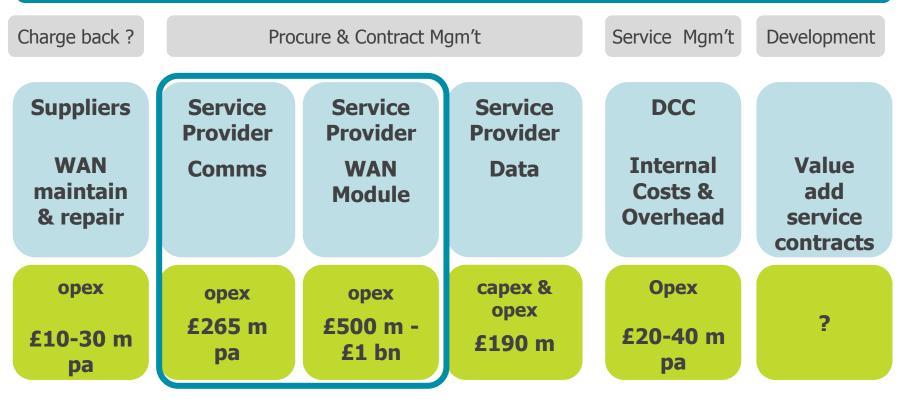
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...And the inclusion of the WAN modules raises several questions for the DCC

WAN Module Considerations

What does WAN module *ownership* mean?

How to ensure most efficient financing arrangements between DCC, service providers, suppliers and external financiers?

What are the appropriate interfaces to manage handoffs between DCC, WAN service providers and suppliers?

How to manage the physical logistics of WAN modules to ensure efficient installation?

Will the regulatory regime allow for recovery of stranded contracts?

We are keen to work with industry and partners to bottom out these issues

Getting the DCC involved early in SP procurement is essential

What would happen to the milestones?
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Key Ch What are the advantages of an early DCC?
Advantage of an early DCC
Establishes "the heart" sooner from NETA
Allows time for service implementation Preserves DCC / DCC SP competition
Earlier What issues would be encountered?
Consequences of a revised approach
More Programme resource
Risks of parallel activities
Evolving DCC scope and role
Trade off between cost and speed
Risks & costs outweighed by speed
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Recognise trade-offs in procurement approaches and their impact on DCC

Involve DCC to consider the long-term impacts of procurement strategy

Provide clarity for DCC financing

Ensure service provider contracts are robust and have aligned incentives

The procurement strategy needs to set the DCC & DCC SPs for success

There are a variety of risks that will impact the DCC

Financial

- Cost of capital
- Cost of equipment and services
- Inflation
- Internal cost
- Supplier default
- Lower-than-expected demand for DCC services
- Optionality for nondomestic customers

Operational

- Supply chain
- Service provider failure
- Commissioning timelines
- WAN installation
 process
- Equipment performance & safety
- New entrants
- Registration data handover
- Consumption data quality & security
- SP fragmentation
- Failure to achieve DCC service standards

Regulatory & Political

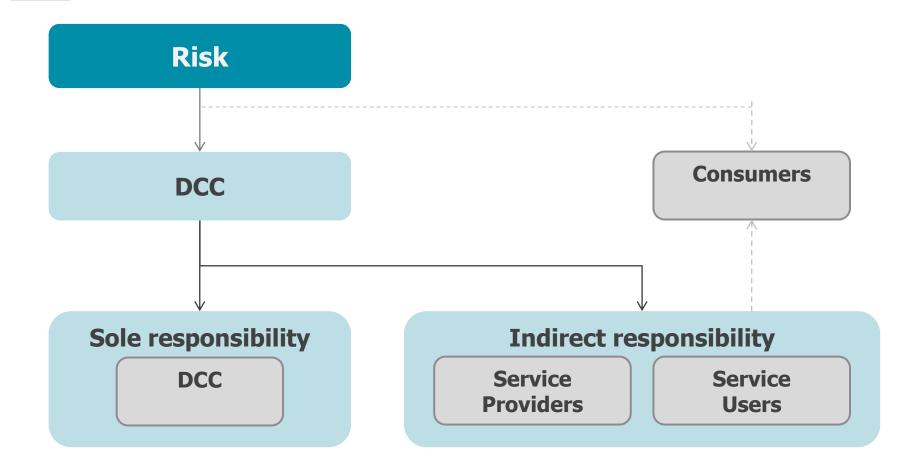
- Scope creep
- Retail charging rules
- Regulatory risk going forward
- Updates to SEC
- Programme delay or cancellation
- Ongoing government policy risk
- Programme failure

Strategic

- Risk allocation & windfall losses (for novated contracts)
- Provision of new services
- Lower speed of rollout
- Technological obsolescence
- Inefficient contract portfolio

To achieve operational stability and commercial viability the DCC needs balanced risk and reward

The regulatory framework should allocate risks where they can best be managed



Some risks are best managed outside the DCC

Today we highlighted three issues...

The WAN module arrangements raise questions

Clear responsibilities and regulatory control will be required

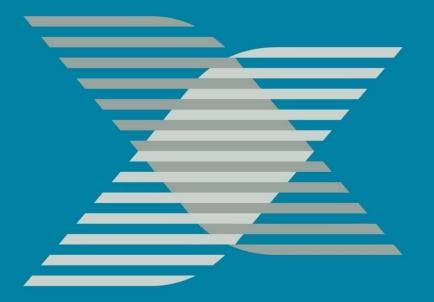
The procurement strategy significantly impacts the DCC's attractiveness and required capabilities

The DCC needs a voice ... and the sooner the better

Risks and uncertainty is a key element of the programme

Need to allocate risks to those best placed to manage them – and price them accordingly

There are many issues still to resolve, a strong DCC voice will benefit everyone



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