

Stakeholder Briefing Document

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Overview

CWP is a collaboration between four UK-based telecom network operators; Airband, County Broadband, ITS Technology and Wight Fibre, who wish to create a common wholesale platform for their respective businesses, but also to serve the UK-wide industry with an independent set of services and platform capability.

In doing so, CWP wishes to solve two industry challenges:

1. To Provide a [One Touch Switching capability](#) enabling end customers to switch broadband and telephony services between different telecom retail services providers. This requirement is driven by an Ofcom determination soon to be published, but currently going through consultation.
2. To provide a wholesale marketplace capability that allows different UK-based telecom network operators to enable their retail services provider customers to add/change/remove end-customer services. The platform will also enable the wholesale requirements of the £5bn UK Government [Building Digital UK](#) infrastructure investment programme.

A tender for the CWP platform will shortly commence and suitable software, SaaS or PaaS providers will be asked to provide a proposal for its supply and support.

Ownership

Currently the founder members have exchanged an MoU during this project phase. Later, a governance structure along lines of [LINX](#) will be put in place.

Plan

At present (May 2021) CWP are in the tender phase, but service will be launched later this year. The objective is to allow all UK telcos to become members by the 2022 Ofcom OTS deadline and facilitate wholesale services needed for BDUK tender compliance and other business growth opportunities.

Evolution

The project that will start at the end of the tender phase will initial consist of a POC of shortlisted platform(s) following by a deployment phase that will deliver provisioning workflow, OTS workflows, wholesale products, SLAs and billing. Following these initial requirements, future requirements will be opened up to the CWP membership and prioritised based on demand.

Cost

Low Entry Cost Membership will be based on value gained from CWP from individual members. A setup fee, monthly subscription and transaction fees will recover the cost of the platform and ongoing governance.

When?

CWP intends to engage with future members in Q4 2021. Prior to this, progress updates will be provided in INCA's SWSIG.

Integration

The CWP will consist of a set of open APIs as well as a WebApp. Members can choose to integrate their OSS/BSS through the APIs or by using the WebApp.

Complexity of integration depends on Members own OSS/BSS. But supplier and other members will assist new members in platform training and integration.

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