

BT Technical Design Authority

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Role

The The Technical Design Authority (TDA) will provide a forum at which all technical aspects of Technology design will be presented, discussed, demonstrated (where practical) endorsed and/or approved. In addition the TDA will consider the ongoing cost impact of the decisions made and advise this to the TADC. The TDA does not have authority to make any commercial or cost decisions.

The Technical Design Authority will provide key recommendations and escalate design decisions to the TADC in cases of significant operational or service impact or deviations from the agreed ICT Strategy and/or Enterprise Architecture principles.

The Technical Design Authority will have the delegated authority to ratify any decisions relating to the designs developed by the BT programme or other BAU projects, within the authorities delegated via the approved Information Technology Blueprints, IT Strategies, Technology Roadmaps and technical design patterns. Areas outside of delegations will be provided as recommendations, containing options analysis to the TADC.

The Technical Design Authority will review and make decisions on all integration issues, relating to technical aspects of applications and technology architecture.

The Technical Design Authority may recommend scope items for inclusion in BT Releases where "should do" or "could do" items however the final approval will rest with the TEWC then PGC.

Responsibilities

- To ensure that all technology elements of all IR projects covering Applications Solution Architecture and Technical Architecture are aligned.
- To provide formal approval of any planned deliverable within the TDA's delegated authority i.e. to serve as a key review forum.
- To provide recommendations including options analysis and proposed recommendation(s) to the TADC. This may also include demonstrations of the solutions with supporting documentation.
- Ensure alignment with existing standards.
- Ensure alignment with agreed design patterns, Strategies and Roadmaps.
- Ensure alignment with sustainability models and enduring state.

Membership

The Technical Design Authority membership and administrative requirements are as follows:

Voting Members

- Refer to Appendix A attached.

Guests

- BT Programme Management Office (Jane Boniface)

Quorum: Chair + voting members to ensure a minimum of 67%
Consensus: Chair + voting members to ensure a minimum of 67%

Veto rights: Chair (Note 1)

Frequency: Twice Weekly (Tuesday and Thursday)

Programme Technical Design Authority– Membership

Technical Matters within the BT Programme scope

Voting Members

- **Chair:** Enterprise Architecture -Transformation Lead
- **Deputy Chair:** TLO Lead Architect

- R5 Heritage Decommissioning
- Domain Lead (L1)
- FAST Technical Solution Architect
- Technology Landscape Optimisation Programme Manager
- Service Leader
- Chief Information Security Officer
- SIDM (Workplace Technology Services)
- SIDM (Core Tax & Social Policy)
- SIDM (DIP, Analytics, Web technologies)
- SIDM (Supporting Technology Services)
- SIDM (Voice)
- Acting Chief Technology Officer
- Service Owner (L2) Cyber Security Operations
- IT Service Management – Project Manager

- BT Architects as required for specific topics

Note:

- *BT Programme Release Managers will have an optional invite however may only attend for specific topics as required.*