

Review of post FGO DSC Change Management Committee arrangements

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FGO and DSC arrangements - background

- FGO went live on the 01 April 2017
- Xoserve were confirmed as the Central Data Service Provider (CDSP)
- Xoserve operate under a joint governance model
- New DSC Change and Contract Management arrangements were created to enable Transporters (GT&IGTs) and shippers to manage CDSP activity
- The new arrangements fall within a period of high volatility due to IS central system replacement

DSC ChMC arrangement - observations

1. The merger of different change processes is complex (UK Link, Bubbling Under, Gemini, CPs etc)
2. Meeting papers are delayed or not available at the meeting
3. The DSC change process lags too far behind the UNC change process
4. The change proposal template is complex and too long at 25 pages
5. The same subjects and issues are reported at multiple meetings
6. The DSC ChMC meetings are too long

DSC ChMC arrangements - Conclusion

The DSC ChMC creates a DSC governance subgroup to review the arrangements and makes recommendations

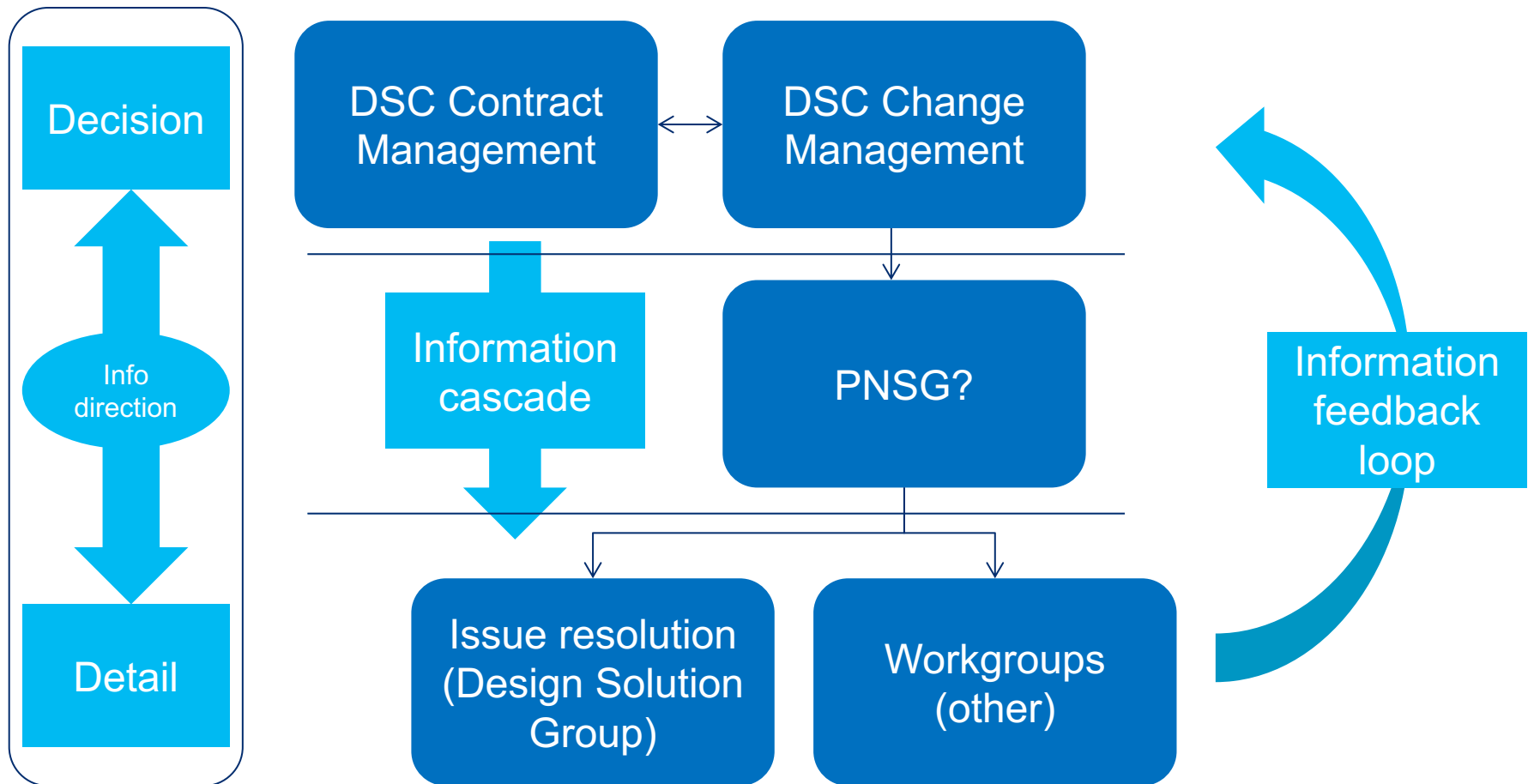
Area of review include –

1. Consolidation of the Change Proposal documents
2. Consolidation of change reporting
3. Alignment of UNC and DSC change processes
4. Better production of meeting papers
5. Other, inc structure of the DSC management and subgroups???

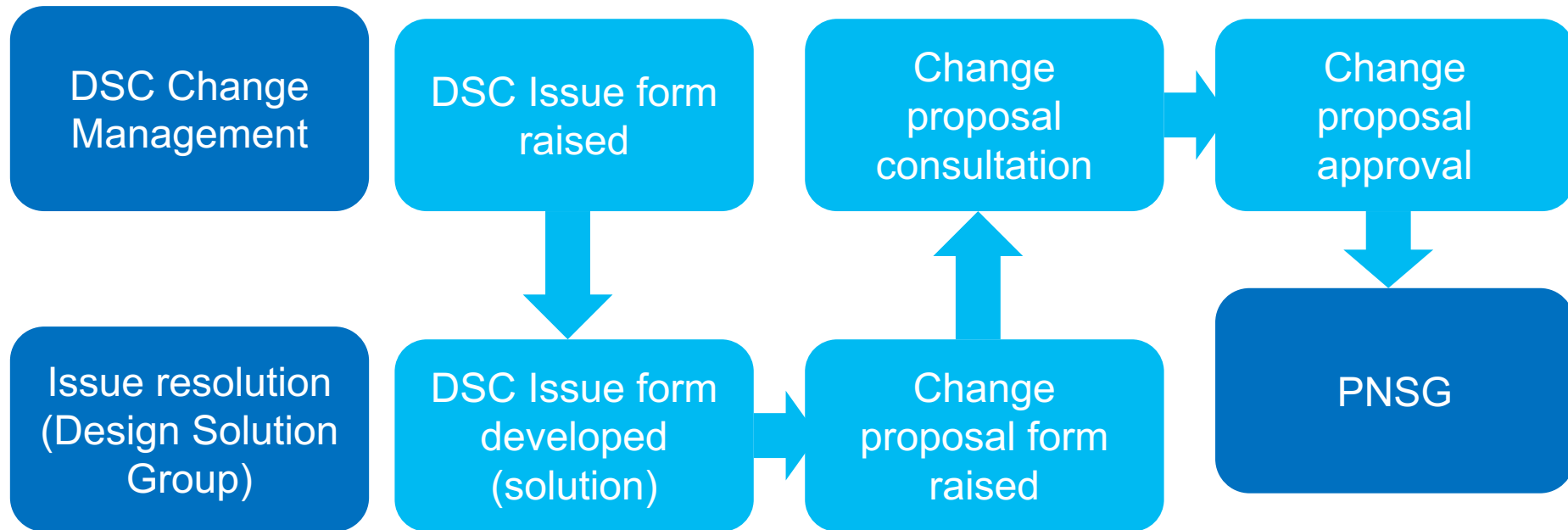
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Issues, proposals and solutions

DSC ChMC arrangements – Information hierarchy

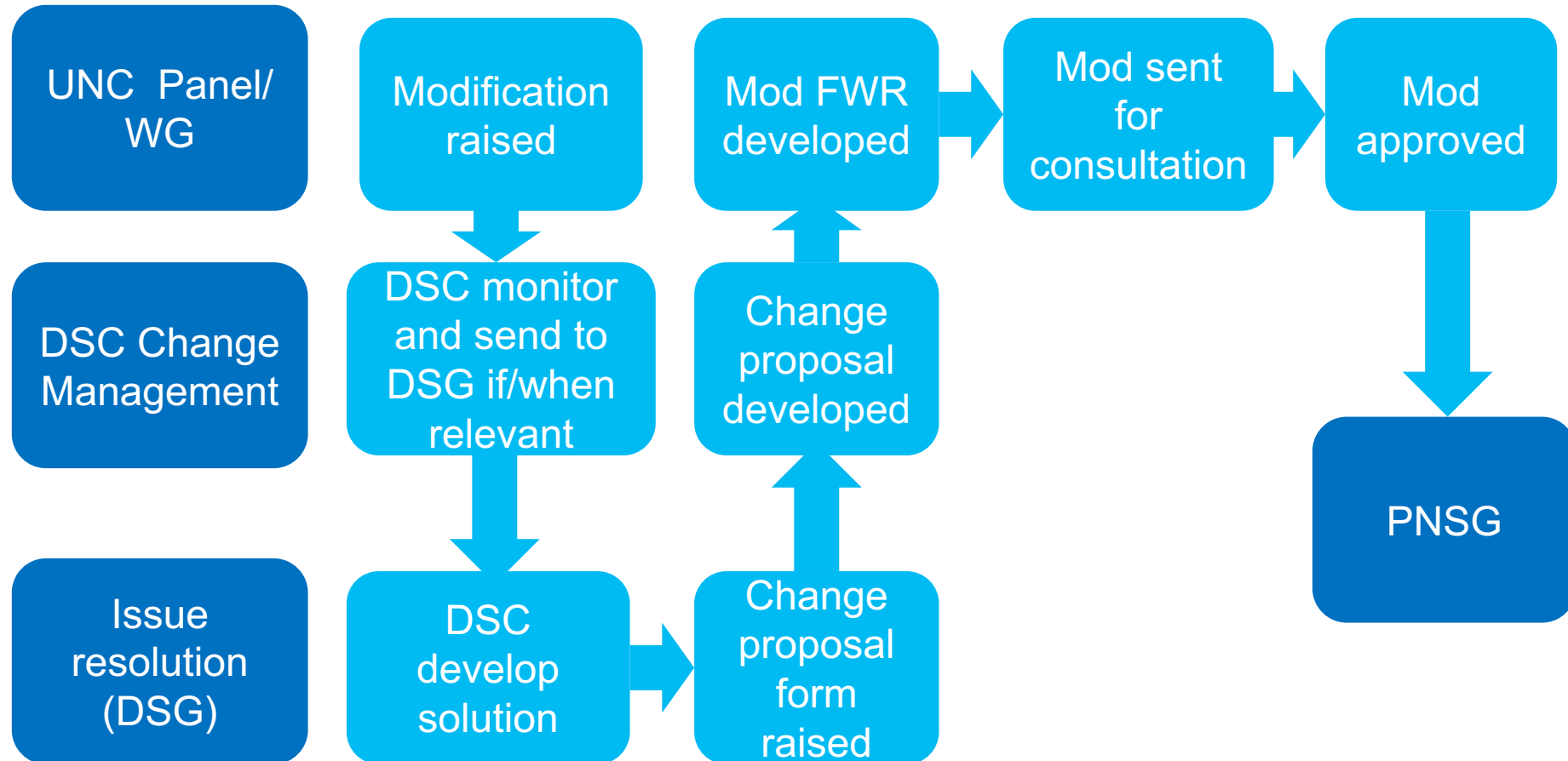


DSC ChMC arrangements – Documentation and DSC change process



Xoserve manage the change process centrally
(Critical friend, document drafting support, reporting, updates,
design & implementation)
Change always owned by the industry (GTs/IGTs/Shippers)

DSC ChMC arrangements – UNC and DSC change process



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DSC ChMC arrangements – Development considerations

Areas for further thought and consideration –

1. Is Xo funded or resourced to deliver the central change function?
2. How deep does change design need to go before being handing over to PNSG?
3. How will DSC ChMC and PNSG interact once solution is approved?
4. How is dual governance between DSC and other codes avoided?
5. How can the proposed process reduce the risk of stranded cost?

DSC ChMC arrangements – Solution activity strawman

Area for development include –

1. Develop a new Issue Request and Change Proposal documents
2. Develop a single reporting spreadsheet
3. Review and develop DSC/UNC change process
4. Agree how DSC ChMC interplays with DSC and PNSG, plus other industry groups (e.g. UNC DW)
5. Review change budget and Xo 2018 budget