

Key Outcomes – Practitioner lodgment service working group

Venue: MS Teams

Date: 21 October 2025

Start: 1.00pm AEDT Finish: 1.26pm AEDT

Chair and facilitator: Julie Seiver

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Attendees:

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Agenda item 1 - Welcome

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

Agenda item 2 - Action item updates

As discussed in the last PLSWG meeting, the BIC action item has now been closed. There are currently no open action items.

Agenda item 3 – Tax time related documentation

Last week, Government announced that there will be some changes to the Better Targeted Super Concessions/ Div 296 tax measure and therefore changes to our proposed legislation including the start date. As a result, the published change advices will be updated.

In the Government announcement they indicated law may be introduced in early 2026 therefore we don't anticipate receiving the updates until the new year.

Agenda item 4 - Update on general matters and Tax time delivery

The AS2025 BIG is currently undergoing a final review and is anticipated to be published in the coming weeks.

Changes to LDG.list BIG are proposed to include information on how a revision or a revised activity statement will appear when you call it in place of AS.list 2009.

ASLRPT v2 conformance suite changes were anticipated to be included in December EVTE, however have since moved to February EVTE.

DPO are still awaiting a timeframe on when there will be a fix to the ITCRPT 2023 issue raised last meeting where ITCRPT only returns ITCRPT11 Lodgment Status for returns with a status of 'Received'. If there are years in which a client did not lodge, these will not be returned. This issue has been placed on the Scheduled service artefacts changes page in the DSP Hub to track.

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Agenda item 5 - Delivery update

October EVTE deployment took place over the weekend of 18 October 2025.

An updated Product and Program Delivery roadmap is amid finalisation and anticipated to be available to share with the group at the next fortnights PLS meeting.

Agenda item 6 – Platform update

A small disruption occurred overnight with SBR2 services, impacted services were rebooted and back online by 7.35am this morning.

Agenda item 7 - Agent online environment update

Planned maintenance will be carried out for Online Services for Agents (OSfA), Online Services for Business (OSB) and Online Services for Individuals (OSI) over 3 weekends in November. Communications will be issued to prepare agents that their access to OSfA in particular will be impacted during these periods.

Reported OSfA issues of late have been case specific and related to particular agents' digital IDs or accesses, rather than systemic.

The Tax Ombudsman published their report of the registered agent phoneline last week. Although there is not a big impact on PLS, the review does touch on OSfA, and as such the ATO are currently working through the report recommendations.

Agenda item 8 - DSP communications update

Information about the following topics can be found in issues 40 and 41 of the DSP newsletter:

- · Payday Super legislation introduced
- TLS 1.2 has been decommissioned in EVTE
- Reminder: strengthening authorisation in the SSP model webinar 17 October
- Reminder: Change Freeze for Tax Time 2025
- Cyber Security Awareness Month: MFA
- Guidance for agents and employers on authorisation changes in the SSP model
- ATO API Portal naming conventions

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Agenda item 9 - DSP feedback

If DSPs are experiencing any challenges or concerns around the new production TLS 1.2 decommission date of Saturday 31 January 2026, please reach out to the DPO as soon as possible.

The next PLS working group meeting is scheduled to be held on **Wednesday 5 November 2025** due to the Victorian public holiday for Melbourne Cup.

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