



Key Outcomes – Practitioner lodgment service working group

Venue: MS Teams
Date: 18 August 2026
Start: 1.00pm AEDT **Finish:** 1.30pm AEDT
Chair and facilitator: Julie Seiver
Secretariat: Kaethe Seidel-Wynne
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ATO Attendees:

Sonia Lark, Julie Seiver, Felicity-Ann Stokes, Adrian Romano, Bhumi Mandalia, Carl Bennett, Craig Willox

ATO Guest Speaker:

Leisa Letheby

Apologies:

Kelly Collins



Agenda item 1 – Welcome

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

The draft program for the Annual DSP Tax Time Event has now been released and is available to view on the [DSP hub](#). To register your attendance please [raise an EOI ticket](#) in the DSP service desk.

Agenda item 2 – Action item

There were no open action items.

Agenda item 3 – Tax time related documentation

The following change advices have been published to the [DSP hub](#):

- CA2026-005 Supporting news and media diversity – News bargaining incentive
- CA2027-004 Tax Loss Carry Back

Agenda item 4 – Update on general matters and tax time delivery

There was no update to provide.

Agenda item 5 – Tax Loss Carry Back

- An update was provided on the proposed Tax Loss Carry Back measure announced in the 2026-27 Federal Budget. The legislation has been introduced into Parliament but not yet enacted.
- The measure would apply to income years commencing on or after 1 July 2026 and if passed will impact the 2027 financial year.
- Eligible corporate tax entities would be able to carry back current year tax losses to one or both of the previous two years where tax was paid, resulting in a refundable tax offset.
- The refundable tax offset would be limited by the amount of tax paid in the carry back year and the entity's franking account balance at the end of the loss year.
- The project is currently in the design phase. Proposed changes include eight new labels at Item 13 in the Company Tax Return, and one additional label in the Losses Schedule and Consolidated Losses Schedule.
- Validation rules are being designed to prevent ineligible or incomplete claims and to support basic calculation checks.



- The measure is considered simpler than the Tax Loss Carry Back measure that applied during the COVID-19 period due to its narrower scope, applying only to the current year and the two preceding years, with fewer label requirements.

Agenda item 6 – Delivery update

The draft [August 2026/27 DWIS Product and Program Delivery Roadmap](#) was published in the DSP Hub on 18 August. A walk through was provided.

A DSP queried whether the Payment Summary Annual Report (PS) will remain as XBRL, or if it will be converted to XML. It was confirmed that it will be converted to XML as a new SBR2 service.

Agenda item 7 – Agent online environment

There was no update to provide.

Agenda item 8 – DSP communications

Information about the following topics can be found in [issue 31](#) of the DSP newsletter:

- Managing large batch transmissions
- Bulk Data Exchange added to the API system maintenance page

Information about the following topics can be found in [issue 32](#) of the DSP newsletter:

- Decommission of closely held trusts TFN Report services
- Inactive ABNs in SBR pre-fill data may require action
- There's still time to share your feedback on DSP news
- Payday Super appreciation

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Agenda item 9 – Platform update

Systems were reported as stable, with performance and capacity operating as expected. Transaction volumes have increased, driven by Payday Super activity, with superannuation transactions approaching STP reporting levels. An extended outage window for SBR2 Production is scheduled this weekend to support a significant platform upgrade.

Agenda item 10 – DSP feedback/issues

A question was raised regarding awareness of the planned CGT Schedule XML conversion and the communication of this update at the DARG. A suggestion was made to help bring visibility of DARG discussions to this broader group. It was acknowledged that opportunities to increase visibility of relevant messages and outcomes would be considered.

Agenda item 11 – Close

The next PLS working group meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 1 September** at **1.00pm AEDT**.