



Key Outcomes

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Title:	PLS working group – key outcomes		
Issue date:	26 March 2019		
Venue:	WEBEX		
Event date:	20 March 2019	Start: 1:00pm AEST	Finish: 2:00pm

Chair:	Sonia Lark	Facilitator:	Sonia Lark
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Attendees: names/section	<p>ATO – Mick Ferris, Sonia Lark, Sonya Summers, Anne Soe, Paul Mosca, Alex Barnes, Danny Figueiredo, Ross Barns, Madhavi Talapaneni, Scott, Rumford, Natalie Perring, Michael Karavas, Karen Greaves, Joel Powell, Amrik Singh, Mick Ferris.</p> <p>Industry – Mike Denniss (Class Super), Mike Behling, Scott Reid, Trent Hayes (MYOB), Kevin Johnson (Reckon), Michael Wright, Saiful Larry (Sage), Paul Siriwardana (Thomson Reuters), Grant Whytcross (Wolters Kluwer), Andrew Sprankling, Kelvin Newton, (Xero).</p>
Apologies: name/section	Jack Wee (Catsoft), Sandeep Gopalan (Govreports), Shane Paxton (Thomson Reuters), Samson Palkuri (Wolters Kluwer), Anthony Migliardi (Xero).

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Agenda item: 2 – Action item update

Updates on outstanding items were provided. (see [action items](#))

Ross Barns provided responses to a number of previous queries, including those

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relating to the deduction schedule. These responses have been [published](#) in a separate document on the SWD website.

Agenda item: 3 – Activity statement services

Michael Karavas advised the group that work has commenced to make information reported through STP available for prefill for activity statements from 01/01/2020 (W1 and W2 labels).

Some of the proposed changes include:

- the W1/W2 figures will be totalled from the parent reports
- there will be a wholesale as well as a retail offering
- prefilled amounts will be editable
- an opening and closing balance will be viewable after the activity statement is calculated – a final credit/debit position.

If an employer doesn't lodge an activity statement but has reported STP data, a process will be put in place so that after a reasonable amount of time (to be determined), the PAYGW liability will be raised on the integrated client account. A notification will be issued to the client prior to this occurring.

Action Item: An Expression of Interest will be sent out for members to be involved in a group which can move into the detailed design for the wholesale service.

Agenda item: 4 – Tax time 2019

Mick Ferris advised there has not been a lot of change this fortnight. He is working on providing the document showing the legislative changes discussed at the last meeting.

The next EVTE drop will reflect the changes reverted back.

Ross Barns advised the iitr BIG will be updated as soon as possible – the changes are currently being reviewed prior to release.

Scott Reid (MYOB) queried the SMSF changes which have not passed legislation. Mick Ferris advised there was a potential for some changes to be approved at the next super session, but they could potentially be pulled if they are not approved. There have been five updated super change advices recently published.

Agenda item: 5 – Platform update

Madhavi Talapaneni advised that the platforms have been stable over the past fortnight, with the certificate issues being rectified with minimal outages.

Madhavi confirmed there are now more teams working through the 'stuck' message batches, and a fix being implemented shortly should see a reduction in the amount getting stuck moving forward.

Agenda item: 6 – DSP feedback

Kevin Johnson (Reckon) queried whether there was any update on the status of the issue with bulk emails from the software developer website – they are not able to be received.

Scott Rumford advised the DPO is working with security to get this resolved, and he will follow up.

Sage and MYOB highlighted an issue they are experiencing with inconsistencies in the SBR transaction data statistics reports being provided.

In addition, the current format of PROD2 transmission report is not the same as the previous PROD1 report. Account managers have stated that the ATO is working on this but no solution has yet been provided.

These will be taken as an action item for follow up.

A query was raised in relation to the reporting of self-education expenses under label V.

Further information has been provided by Ross Barns – see item 9 on the 2019 IITR deduction schedule Q&A document which has been [published](#) with the other meeting artefacts for the 20 March PLS working group meeting.