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<b>Update of SMP02 – ‘Safety Committee’ to Version 5.0</b>	
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## Background

Following the release of [Report of the Armoured Cavalry Programme \(Ajax\) Lessons Learned Review](#), SMP02 has been updated to recognise Recommendation 18 – “Information to senior personnel at DE&S [1\*-4\*] and the SRO”.

Recommendation 18 recommends that any dissenting/contrarian opinions from personnel within the project safety committee (PSC) should be adequately considered and recorded.

## Description

This SEB announces the update of [SMP02](#) from Version 4.3 to 5.0, changes to the guidance include:

- New wording at Para 2.1.2.2. (d) to capture diverse perspectives amongst stakeholders including but not limited to those derived from dissenting views, analyses, or challenges during Safety discussions/deliberations.
- New wording at Para 2.2.8.1. (b)-(c) to include the recording of any specialist advice and challenges to safety arguments, including the PSC’s response.
- New wording at Para 2.2.10.6. to highlight potential project risks if the PSC does not adequately consider and record diverse perspectives amongst stakeholders during Safety discussions/deliberations.
- Replaced ‘Team Leader’ with ‘assigned individual holding formally-delegation responsibility’.
- Minor amendments to text within the SMP (e.g., typos, grammar, etc.).

## **Actions to be Taken**

1. [For cascading as appropriate]

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