Competition in Connections Code of Practice
0002 – Self-Design Approval Processes
Appendix One – Legal Text Change Proposal

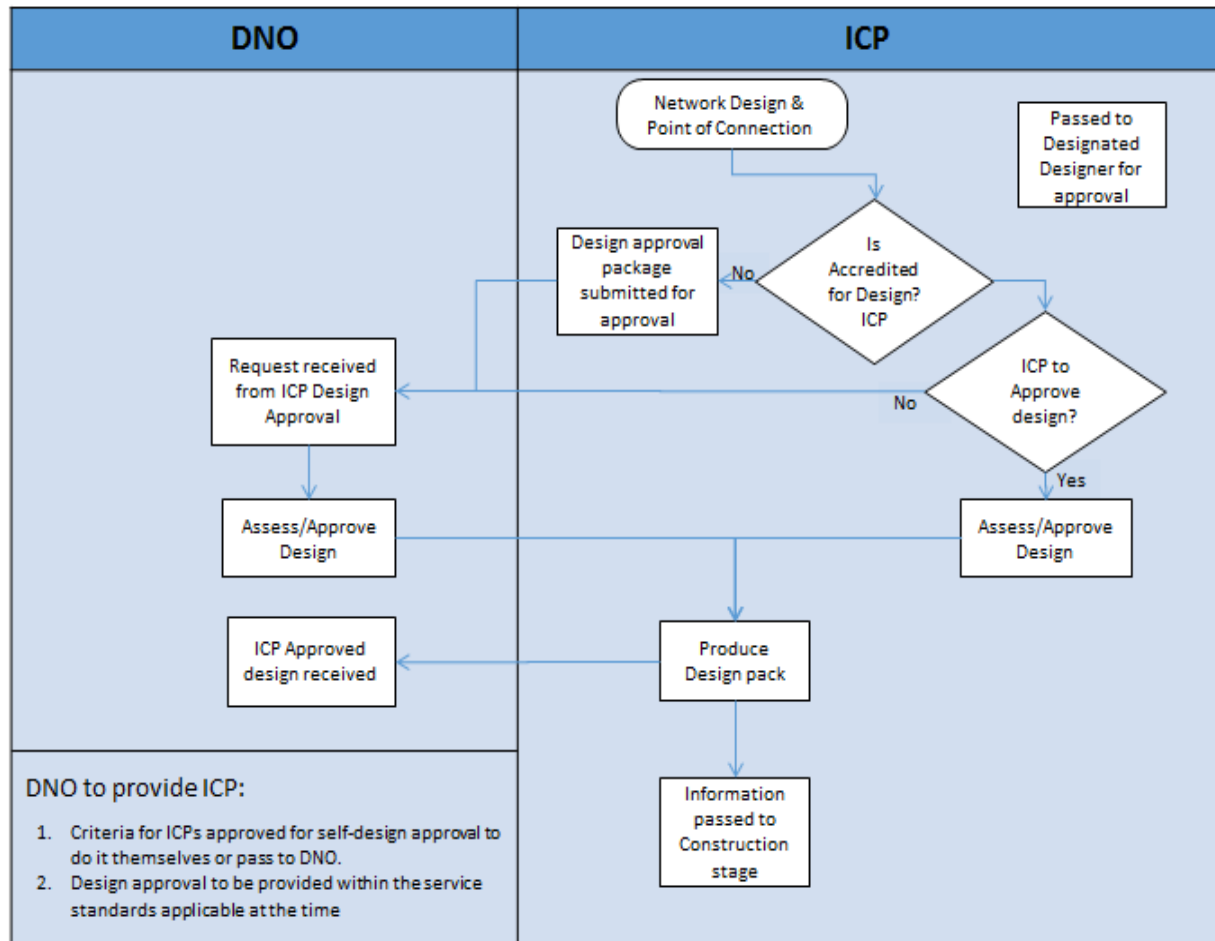Please see below the current flow diagram in section 4.16.1:

Figure Five – Process steps in carrying out the connection Self-Design Approval

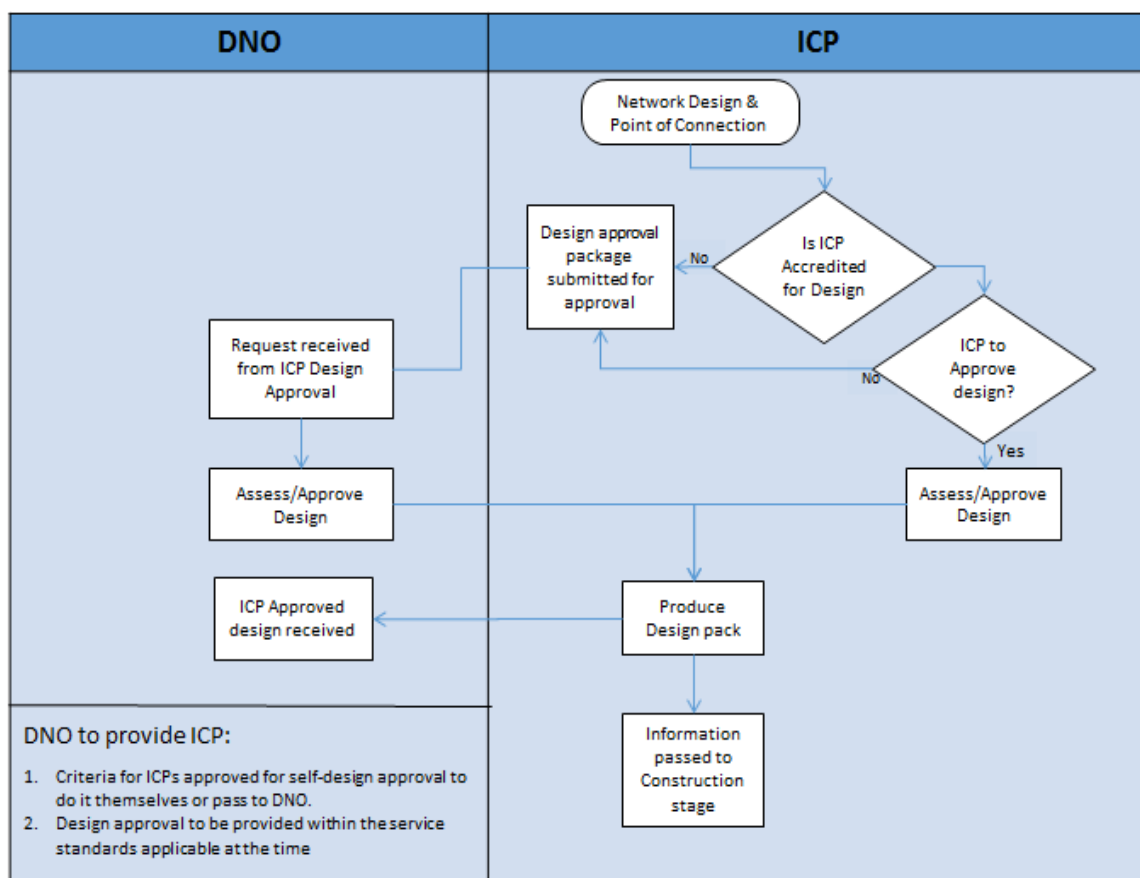This would be the new proposed flow diagram for section 4.16.1:

Figure Five – Process steps in carrying out the connection Self-Design Approval

The legal text for 4.16.3 would be deleted as follows:

~~4.16.3 DNOs will set out the criteria by which ICPs can carry out their own design approval~~.

To be replaced with:

4.16.3 DNOs shall complete and publish ~~on~~ the following standard tables on their website.

The proposed tables would be set out as follows:

Table One – The market segments where the ICP is able to self-approve its designs

Relevant Market Segment	Self-approval of designs available (Yes/No)	Comment
LV demand		

HV demand		
HV/EHV demand		
EHV/132kV demand		
DG LV		
DG HV/EHV		
UMS LA		
UMS Other		
UMS PFI		

Table Two - Qualifying criteria that will apply to allow an ICP to move between the different levels of design approval

Level	Criteria
1	
2	
3	
etc	*ICP fully able to self-approve contestable designs**

*If applicable

The legal text in section 4.17 would be deleted as follows:

4.17 Review of self-design approval processes

4.17.1 By 15 January 2016, the DNO shall, in co-operation with the other DNOs, review the processes and procedures for design approval by ICPs, taking into account lessons learned from practical application of the processes and consultation with stakeholders. The conclusions of this review must propose a modification or series of modifications to this Code. The modification(s) must be progressed to decision through the change governance process. The modification(s) must ensure that the Code contains a clear, common process for design approval by ICPs. The modification(s) must contain the criteria that establish when an ICP can approve its own designs, the criteria that dictate when the ICP can approve its own designs and a definitive list of what information the DNO will provide to ICPs.

4.17.2 The DNO must take all reasonable steps to progress the modification(s) through the governance process and have implemented in the Code by 30 April 2016.