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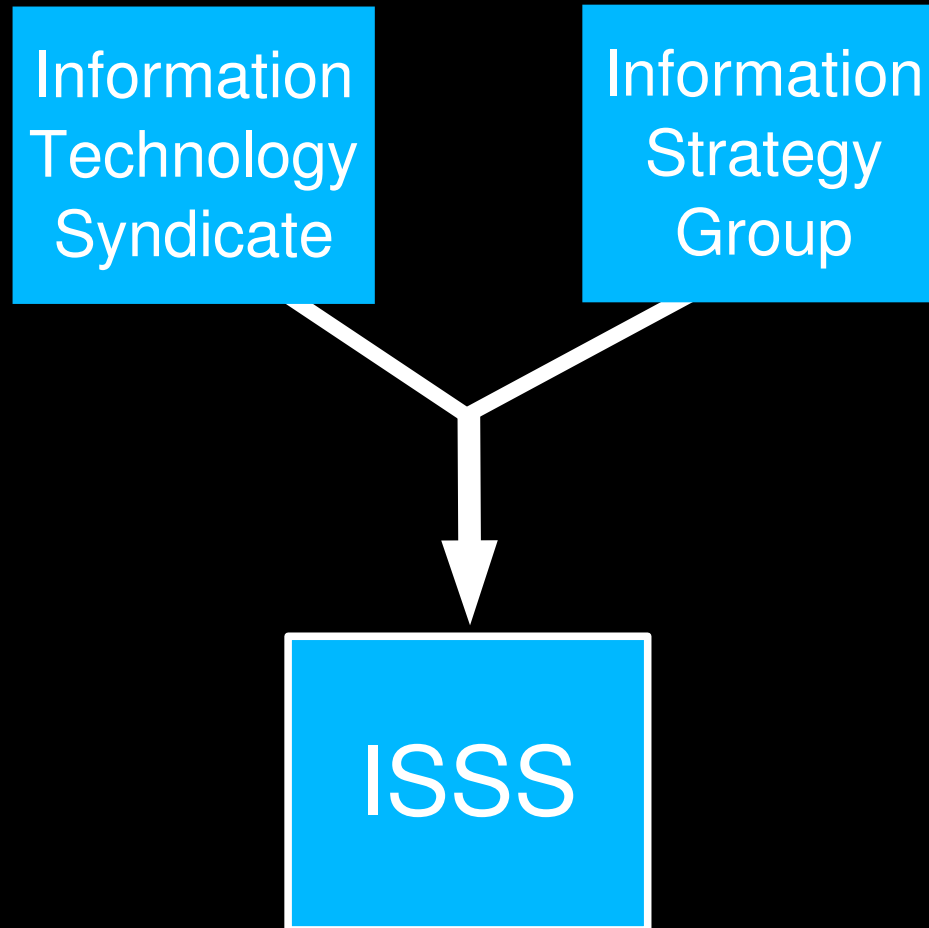
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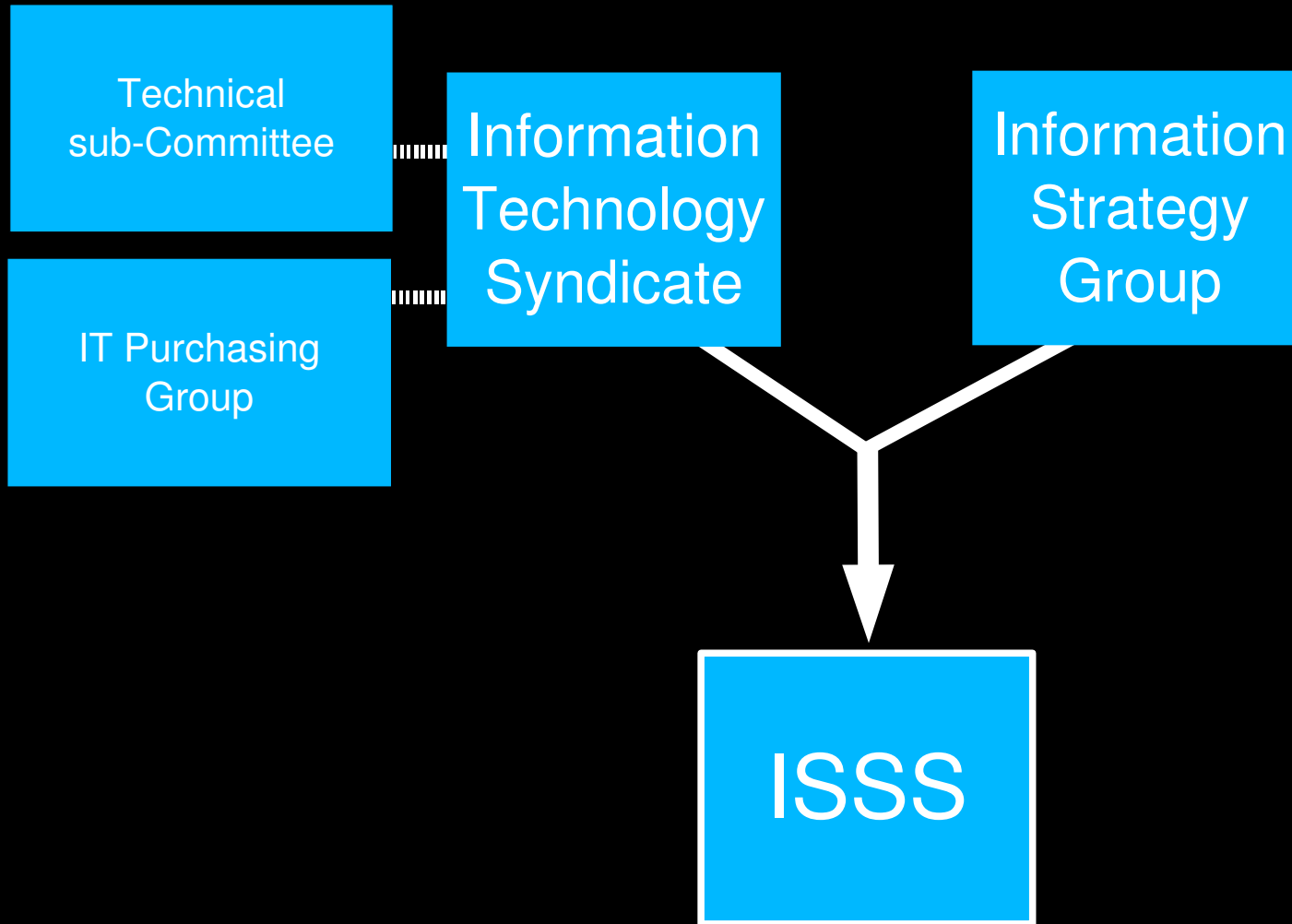
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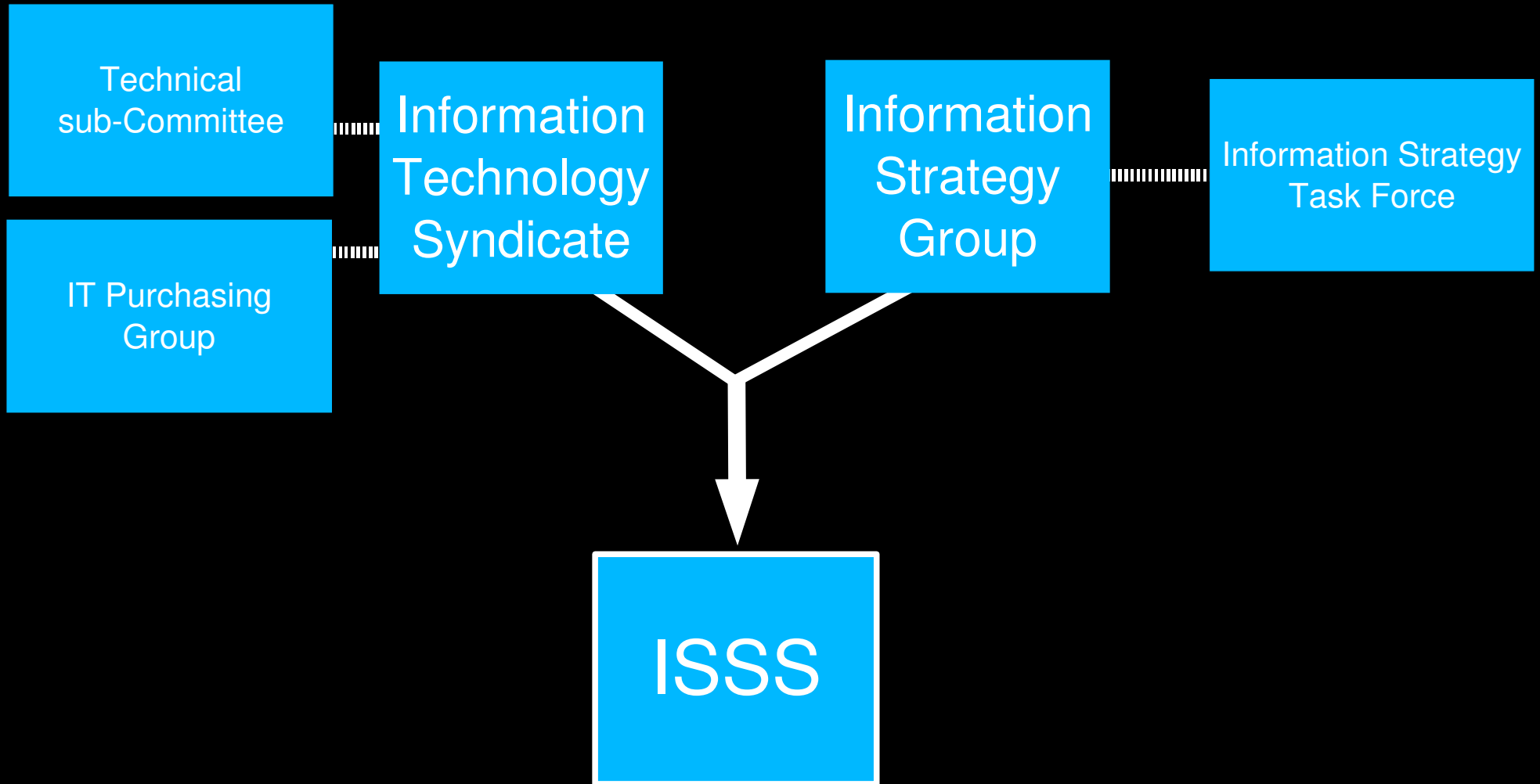
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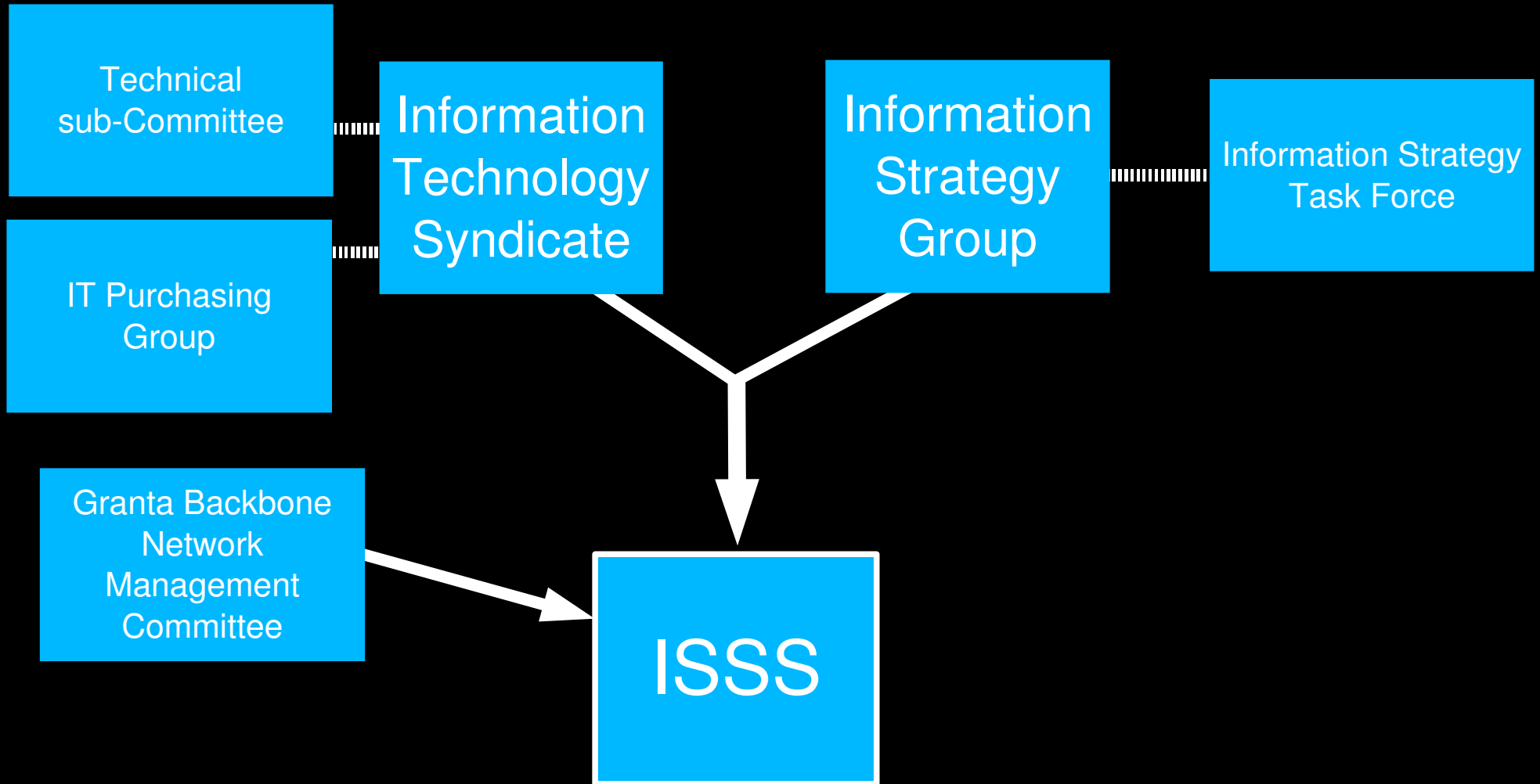
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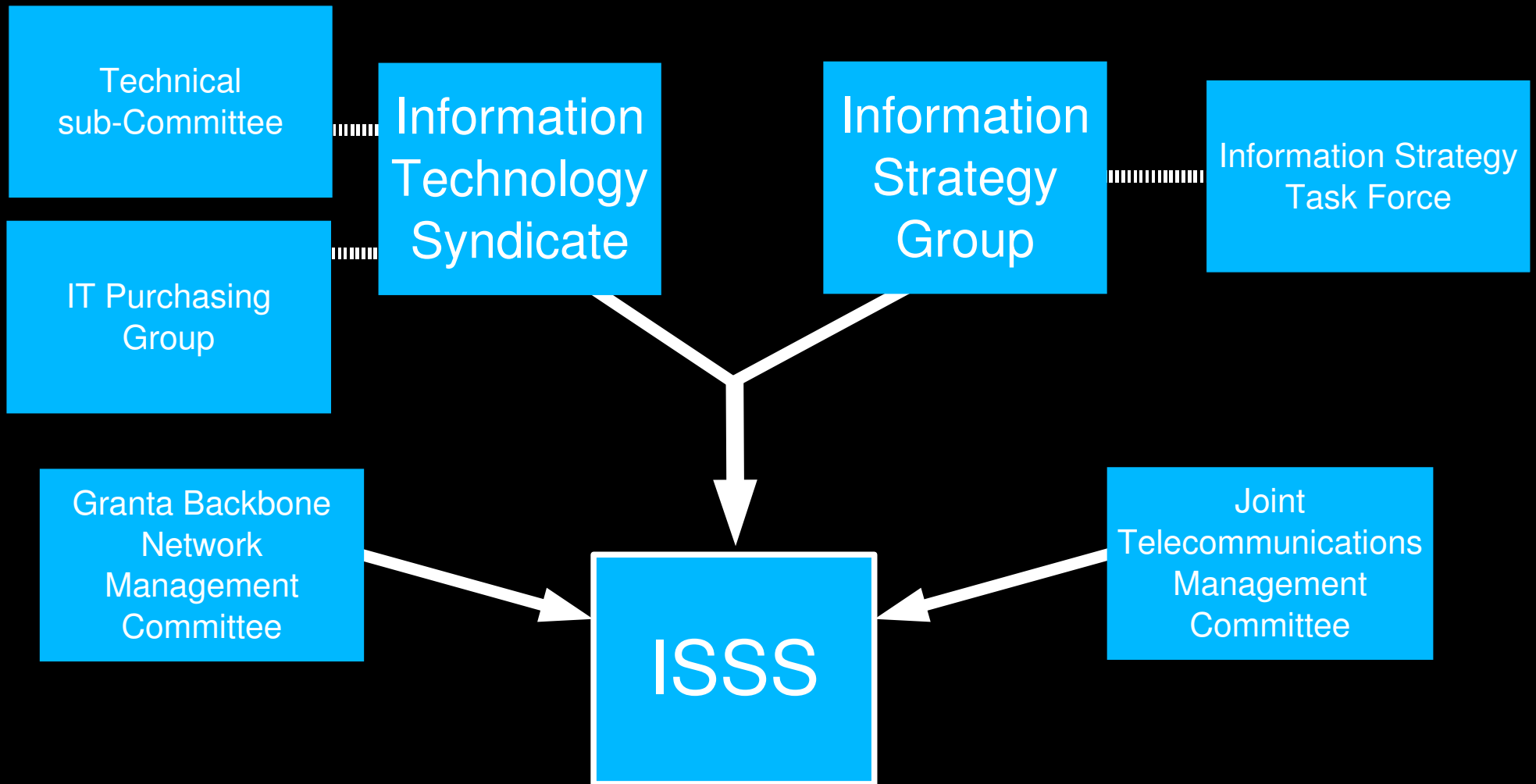
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Terms of Reference

- <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/reporter/2006-07/weekly/6079/19.html>
- (c) to keep under review the information requirements of the University and the Colleges, and **advise the Council and the General Board on priorities** for and other matters relating to the development and application of appropriate information policies, facilities, and services in support of those requirements;
- (d) to ensure that any such information policies, facilities, and services provided are **operating effectively and are fit for purpose**;
- (e) to **oversee the direction and planning** of the **University Computing Service** and **Management Information Services Division** and to approve general principles for the allocation of resources and priorities in the use of their facilities;

Membership

- the Vice-Chancellor (or deputy) to chair
- three persons appointed by the Council
- three persons appointed by the General Board
- three persons appointed by the Colleges' Committee
- two persons elected by the staff, one each UCS and MISD
- two students including at least one graduate student
- up to two co-opted persons
- + Registry, Librarian, Directors of UCS, MISD, and Finance Division have the right to attend

Personalities - members

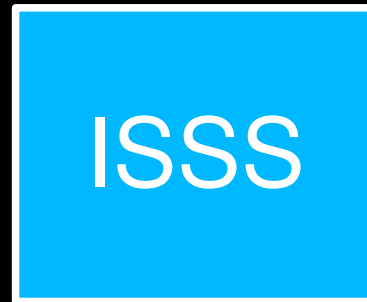
- Prof. Steve Young (Eng, Chair)
- Council appointed:
 - James Matheson (Eng)
 - John Norman (CARET)
 - *(vacancy)*
- *General Board appointed:*
 - Prof. Nolan (Linguistics)
 - Prof. Littlewood (Physics)
 - Dr Carpenter (Neuroscience)
- Colleges' Committee appointed:
 - Sir David Wallace (Churchil)
 - Dr. Rob Wallach (Kings)
 - Ian du Quensay (Newnham)
- UCS/MISD Elected:
 - Andy Richardson (MISD)
 - **Jon Warbrick (UCS)**
- Students
 - Mark Fletcher (CUSU)
 - *(vacancy)*

+ two co-opts *(vacant)*

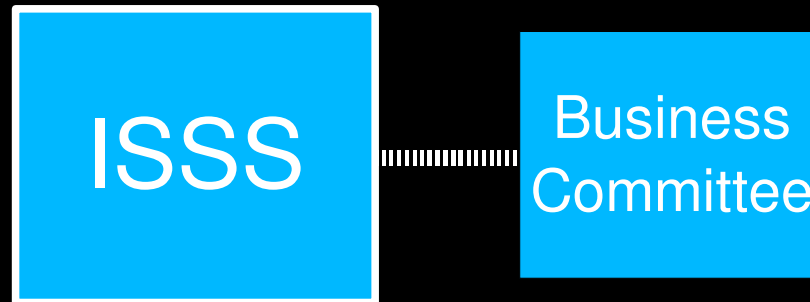
Personalities - attending

- Registry - Dr Jonathan Nicholls
- Librarian – Peter Fox
- Director of UCS – Dr Ian Lewis
- Director of MISD - Paul Dampier
- Director of Finance – Andrew Reid
- The Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Planning and Research, Prof. Tony Minson, requested and received a standing invitation to attend
- Secretary – Ian Troup

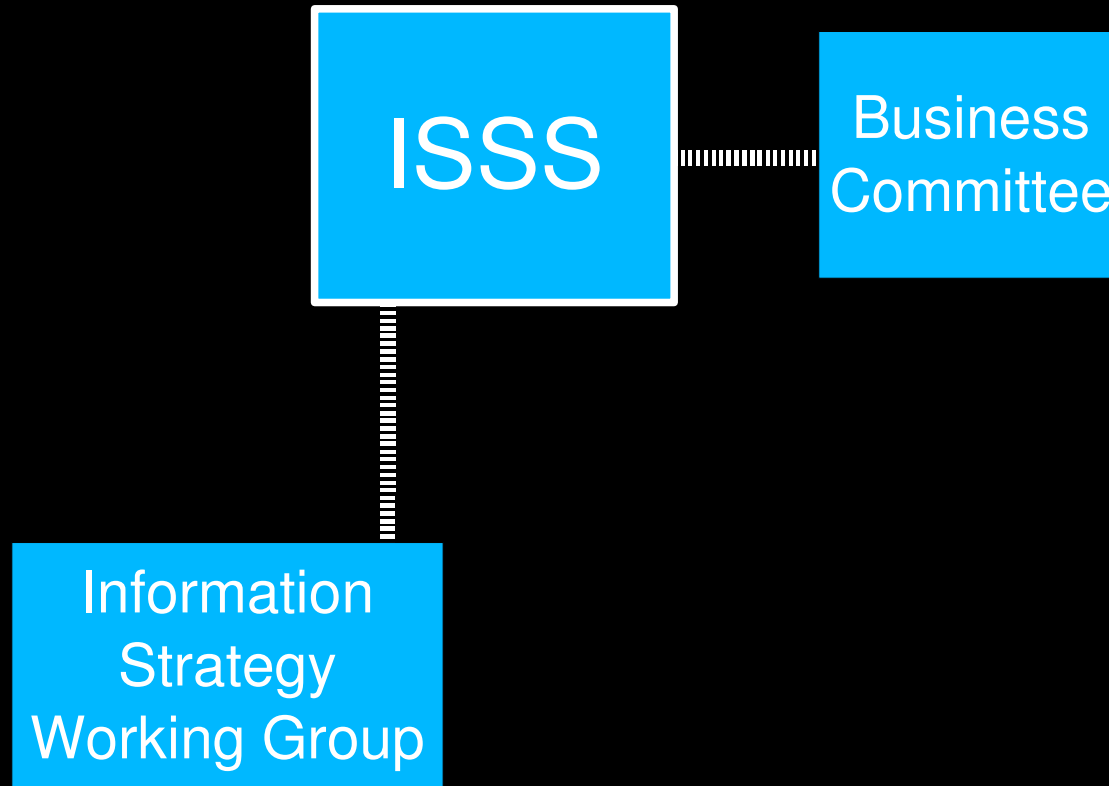
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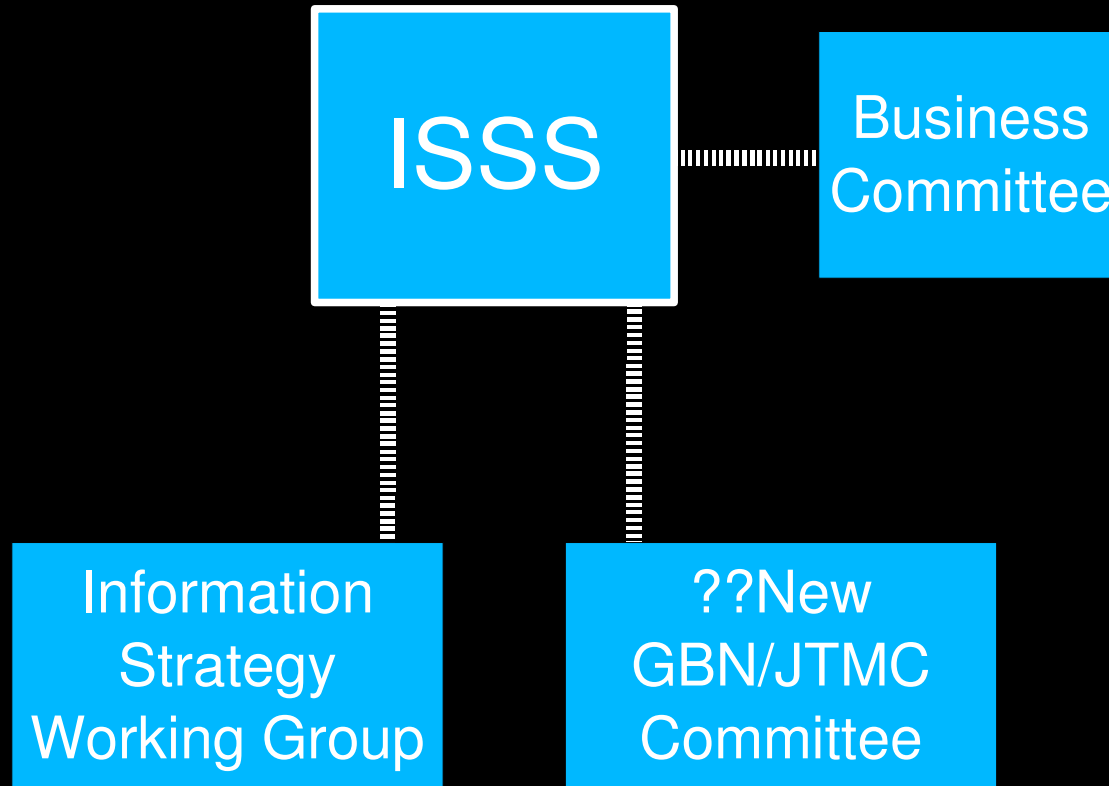
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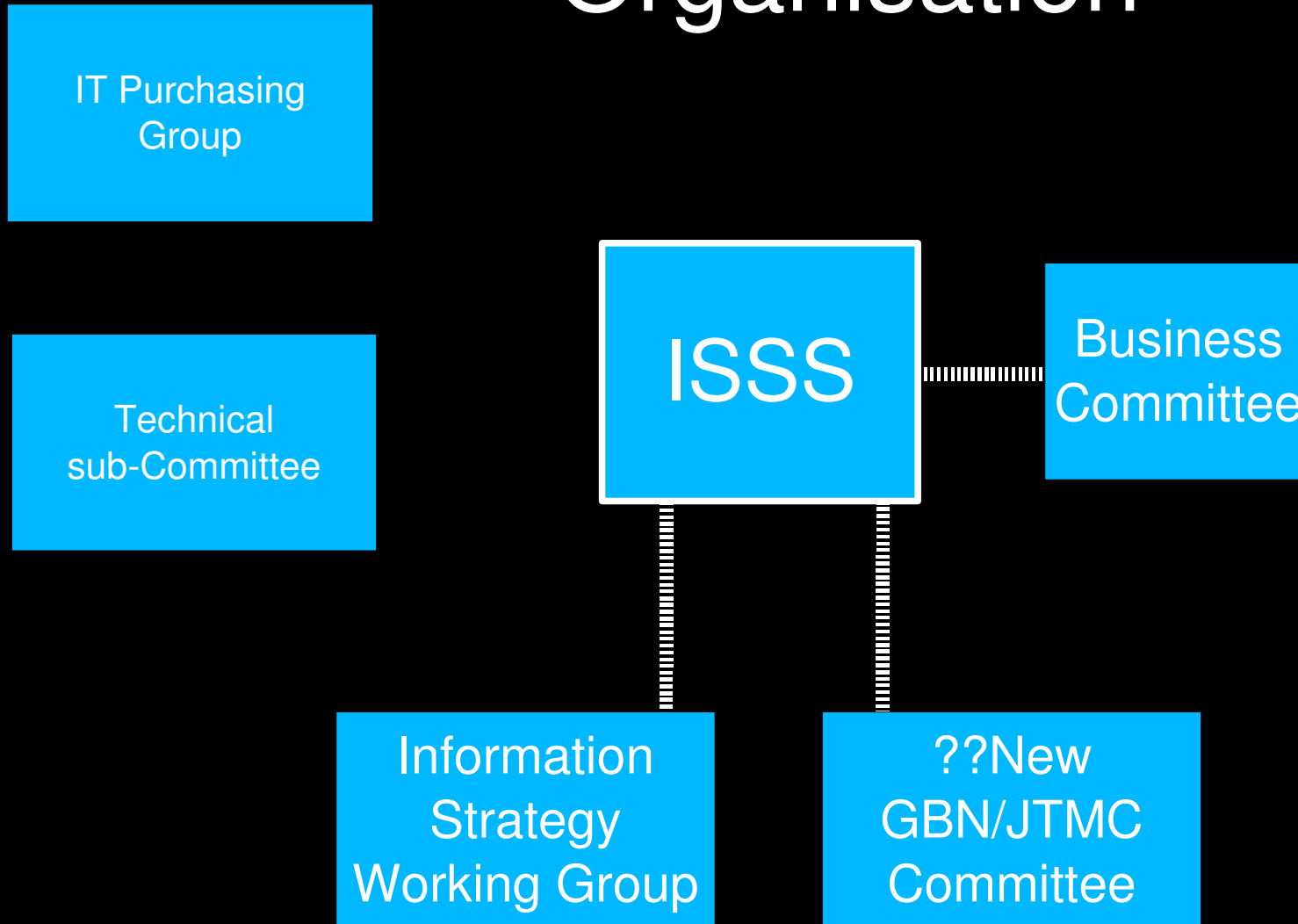
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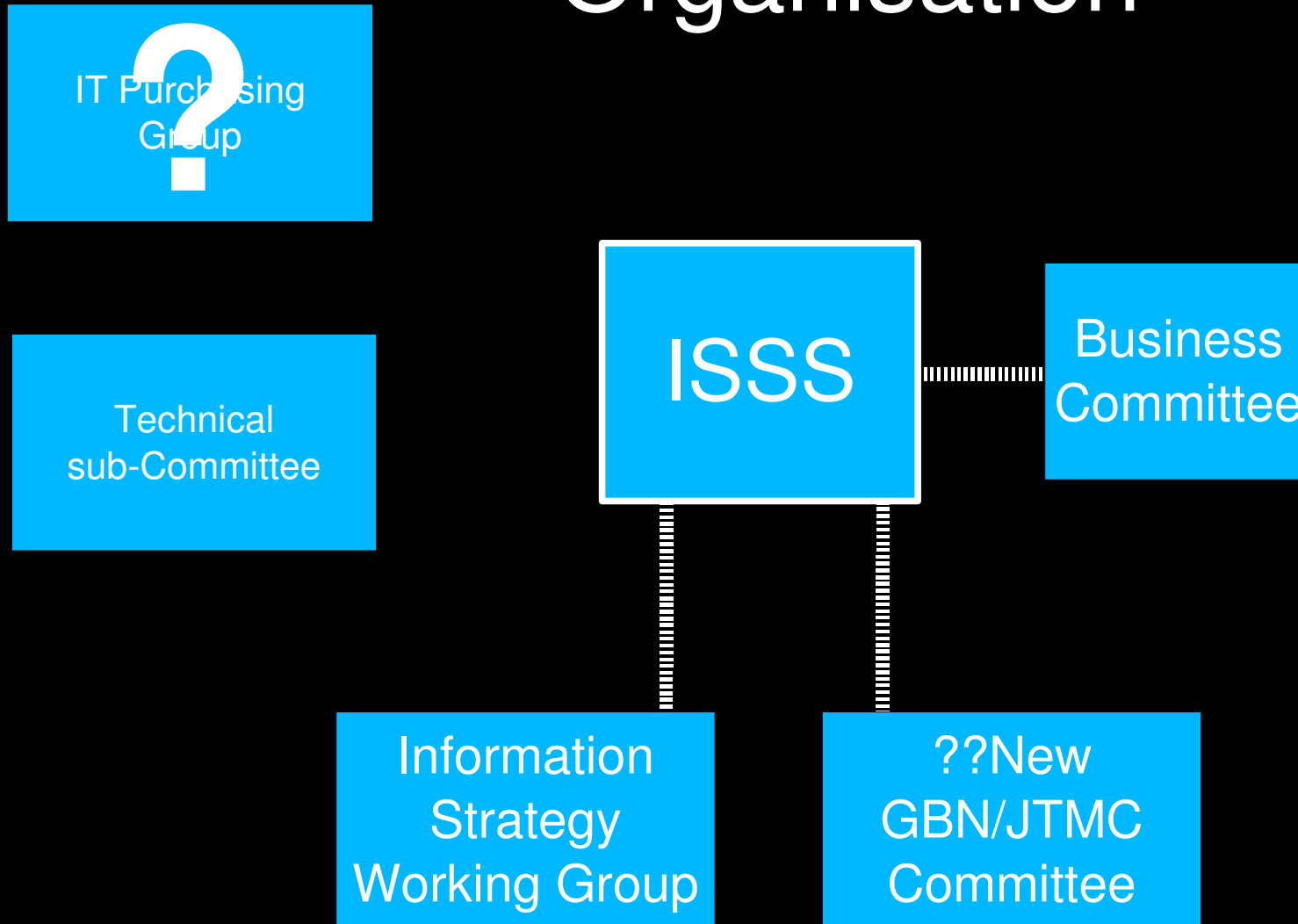
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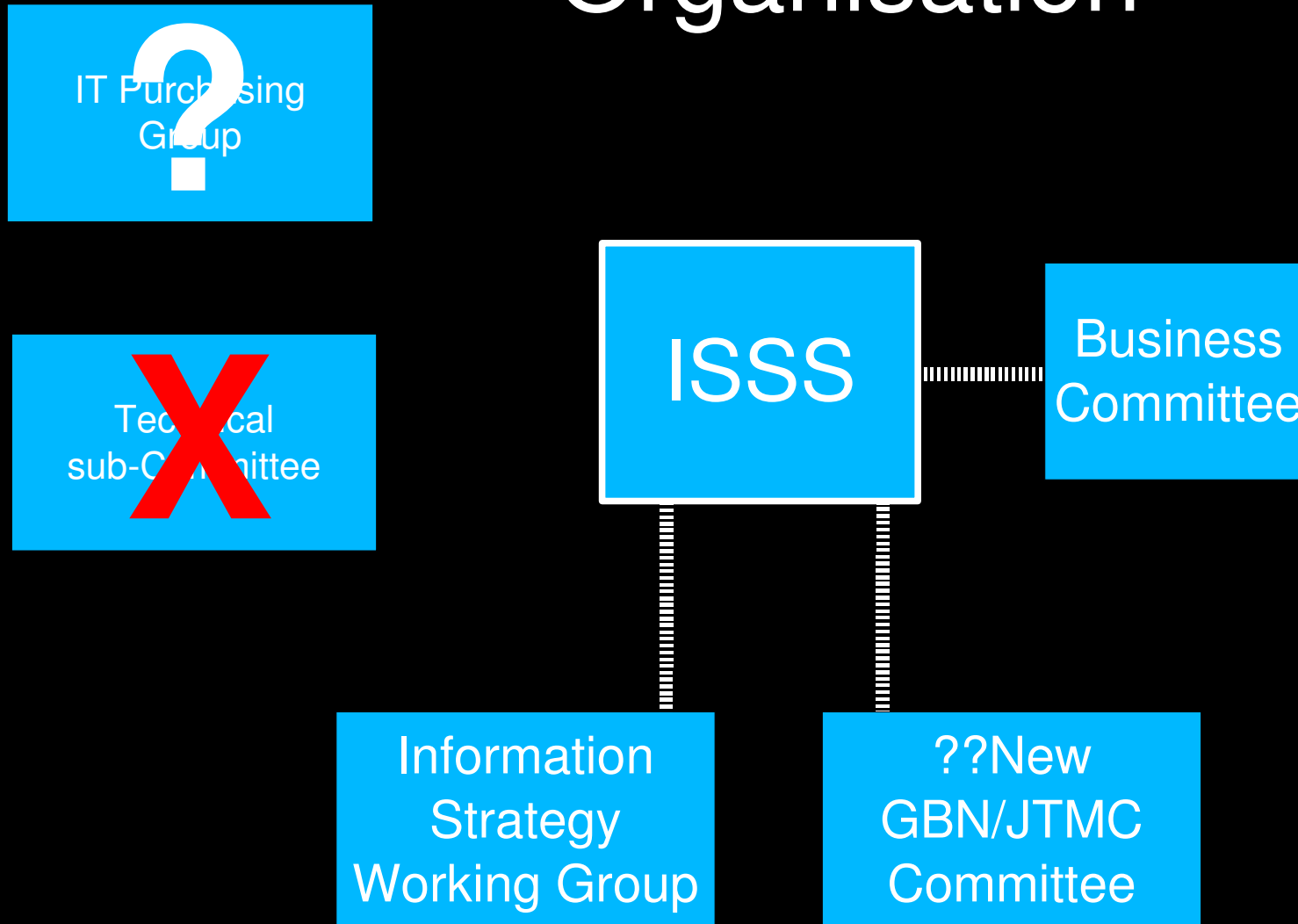
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Progress?

- Three meetings; much introspection, internal organisation
- Project Governance; Bulk-email; UCS charges; Web cache migration; Turnitin
- Project reports: CamSIS, CHRIS, Telecoms, Web Review, Reporting, ...
- ISWG looking at: Internal Communications, Identity/Role Management, Improved Search, Records Management

One conspicuous success

- Papers and minutes on the web:

<http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/committee/iss/>

They were not bad men. They had worked hard on behalf of [...] for hundreds of years. But it is possible, after a while, to develop certain dangerous thoughts.

One is that, while all important enterprises need careful organization, it is the organization that needs organizing, rather than the enterprise

Terry Pratchett, Thief of Time