Dev Manager vs Architect vs Tech Leads Expectations | AFS

SDLC Phase	Dev Manager	Architect	Tech Lead
Project Inception (Pre- discovery doc)	Understand business motivation/ROI	 Understand high level technical needs/implementation complexities Prototype as necessary Provide technical feedback to business on proposed vendors, and business solutions 	Not involved
Discovery Doc	 Review Scope items Confirm scope covers business objective/motivation Determine Team Assignment Confirm scope covered in High Level Design Challenge Data Flow/High Level design - thinking of business ROI/speed to market - balance with tech debt/foundational needs Review High Level Estimate - push faster 	 Determine High Level Architecture (before/after) Create high level data flow diagram(s) Determine Business Failure recovery needs (AKA- 15 minute resolution time like with NACHA processing, file report regeneration etc) Determine Production Support maintainability and error recovery/monitoring/alerting strategy Prototype/Proof of concept as necessary Create High Level Estimate (Data flow → dev man sprints to accomplish) 	Understand and Review Scope items and features Confirm scope covered in High Level Design Review High Level Estimate - Inject sanity - slow it down Identify Possible SPIKES
Architecture Review Meeting		 Review Design with other Architects Make updates to architecture with their feedback Get Architec Committee Approval to send it to SteerCo 	Not involved
Steering Committee	Review Proposed Project with Steering Committee ???		Not involved
Sprint 0 (Design Phase)	Challenge design- discuss areas of opportunity for similar design elements	 Give guidance to Tech Leads on Technical Approach Confirm Low Level design covers all scope items Confirm Low level design adhere to agreed upon Solution Design Update High level dataflow if necessary Identify external team resource NEEDS, communicating to DM and PM to identify and coordinate resource usage/scheduling 	 Challenge design- hash out technical approach with Architect Take ownership of application design from Architect Create Low Level Sequence diagrams Develop POC's (not exclusive to TL, Dev team can be involved too) Execute R&D SPIKEs (not exclusive to TL, Dev team can

			be involved too)
Sprint 0 (PBI Writing) and other Grooming	 Follow up with business to complete RTM mapping PBIs to Scope Items Look for similar PBIs and combine/group in Sprints for efficiency Identify external team resources to fill needs (Axos or vendor) and work with the vendor and/or the PM to confirm scheduling Owns final estimate and communication of estimate to PMO 	Answer questions as needed	 Explain low level design Use low level design to help define PBI scope Help QA understand scope of testing Help QA understand "HOW" to test Look for similar PBIs and combine/group in Sprints for efficiency
PBI Execution	 Help Tech leads distribute work to team members Drive completion Clear blockers 	Answer questions as needed	Help devs answer questionsHelp QA testDrive completionClear blockers
Code Reviews	Only involved if needed for overrides	 Spot check code reviews to confirm development is following low level design and dev standards Confirm branching and merging is properly being used 	TL (or Sr Engineers)- Please see Code review section under TL Expectations Tech Lead Expectations
Testing	 Review Test case completion/thoroughness Drive completion Clear blockers Track bugs, help prioritize with business 	Answer questions as needed	 Review Test case completion/thoroughness Drive completion Clear blockers Triage Bugs for remediation
UAT Testing	 Confirm expected release items are included in the release pushed to UAT Ensure Project artifacts (AKA-UAT Test plan) exist are thorough, and are clearly communicated to all needed parties Ensure we get written UAT business signoff 	Spot check Error Scenario testing efforts follow anticipated Prod Support Error monitoring/recovery requirements	 Prepare Runbooks Work with QA/business to ensure UAT test plan covers scope items Triage bugs and release updates
Test Automation	•	•	•
Prod Support Knowledge Transition	Facilitate communication	Track and add feedback to tech debt backlog Review app/project architecture with Prod Support	Provide Insights about how the components are connected

		Confirm error recovery/monitoring/alerting strategy is clearly communicated to prod support	
Release Activities	Confirm proper releases are prepared, referenced in runbooks, and are following change management standards	 Confirm branching and merging is properly being used for hot fix and minor/standard releases Spot check runbook to ensure expected components from high/low level design are in fact being updated 	 Final updates to Runbook based on Staging deployment practice run Collaborates with other team(s) and SM to organize single runbook/release
Support in Production	Triage Bug fix needs across teams to TLs	Perform initial tech analysis with Prod Support to determine bug or 3rd party/transitory issue Create the bug with following info: Repro steps Current behavior Expected behavior Screenshots Environment Bug Reason Application Category	 Own doing deep dive investigation into bugs, fixing if possible Manage hot fix release and branching/merging

Dev Manager role:

- Execution -
 - Be the initial contact point for business for dev execution day to day and in XO type meetings
 - Work with the SM to ensure that commitments are seamlessly delivered on time
 - Work with the SM to ensure team has sufficient work in long term (at a minimum 2 sprints out)
 - Ensure the communication level between Dev and Business teams is sufficient and healthy
 - Work with the SM to follow up on retro feedback to ensure action items are completed
 - Solve the obstacles that blocks the team members
 - Work with the SM and PM to ensure that SDLC is performed correctly
 - Maintain and monitor KPIs (weekly/sprint-sprint)
 - Collect and Present Quarterly KPIs
 - Work with the SM to ensure that project "decisions" and other requirement updates are documented in confluence
 - Work with the SM to follow up on SNOW tickets
- Resource management
 - Hiring and Onboarding
 - o 1:1s
 - Review Timesheets
 - Training (skillsoft assignments, knowledge transfer sessions)
 - Review Vacation Plans

Architect role: @

- Participate in larger organizational architecture discussions/committees to maintain understanding and adherence to Enterprise standards.
- Create Development Guidelines for teams including CISO/OWASP concerns
- Size Infrastructure needs
- Be the chief technical resource the TLs and teams can rely on to either answer questions, or find who can answer technical questions.
- Own and maintain tech debt and miscellaneous backlogs
- Guide business in prioritizing Production support feedback, tech debt items, and other non-functional work items (IE- tech upgrades).
- Gather and provide some KPI data (CC, Bug rate, etc)
- Responsible for ensuring all design and application documentation is kept up to date in Confluence, and Production support is notified of updates/changes that effect their ability to support the applications

Technical Lead:

Additional Notes:

The Current Sprint should be owned only by the Tech lead and co-owned (with TL authorization) by the SM once it was already committed during sprint planning.