

User Flow — Backend Endpoint Interactions

This document shows the step-by-step flow from the user's perspective, highlighting which endpoints are called and which backend services are involved at each stage.

User Action	Endpoint Called	Services Used	Backend Outcome
User logs in / connects HMRC	POST /auth/login GET /auth/hmrc GET /auth/hmrc/apple	auth.js → hmrcAuth.js	User authenticated, HMRC OAuth tokens saved
Upload spreadsheet	POST /files/upload	files.js → parser.js → aiCategoriser.js	File stored, rows parsed, AI categorises, transactions marked
Review transactions	GET /files/:id GET /transactions PATCH /transactions/:id/verify	files.js → transactions.js	User views & verifies categories, transactions marked
Create submission	POST /submissions	submissions.js → aggregator.js → hmrcPayload.js	Verified transactions aggregated, HMRC payload sent
Check submission status	GET /submissions/:id/status	submissions.js	Returns status: pending, accepted, or failed
Deadline reminders sent	(no user action, scheduled)	scheduler.js → emailer.js	Daily cron checks deadlines, sends reminders, logs
View notifications	GET /notifications	notifications.js	User sees history of reminders/alerts