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## **Introduction to the Project**

- This presentation tells you about CWC's Improvement Programme known as Improve
- It explains why it is relevant to HA
- It introduces the history and theory of process improvement and how CWC has developed a model for construction
- It tells you all about a six-stage improvement programme
- It explains how it is led and managed
- It is jargon-free and based on practical hands-on work



## What theory is it based on?

CWC's unique approach is an evolution of the established theory on process improvement:

### "Lean"

A way to do more and more with less and less whilst delivering exactly what the customer wants at minimum cost

### "Six Sigma"

Adopts a customer focus identifying where variability exists in a process and then providing the tools to reduce variability and improving performance



### **Reducing Repair Time**

#### **Achieved with:**

- Increase in number of repairs
- Same level of resource
- Improved management & control

Time on the Repair 10 13 30-35% After Min Reductior 23 17 Before Min TARGET 5 10 15 20 25 0 Days

Outcomes:

1 Quality improved **1**77%

2 Client Satisfaction 87 - 93%

3 Project costs kept at original level throughout 5-year programme

4 £2m+ saving



### The 3 Elements of Work



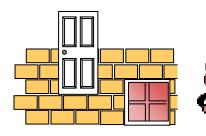
#### Value Adding

Any work that changes the nature or shape of the works – Maximise



#### Non-Value Adding

Any work that is necessary <u>under current</u> <u>conditions</u> but does not increase works value – Minimise





All unnecessary work
– Eliminate



### **CWC Approach**





### It isn't rocket science

- In the 1960's NASA employed a team of engineers at a cost of \$1.5 million to design a pen that would write in the vacuum of space...
- ...the Russians took a pencil
- We will work on improvements without unnecessary complexity
- Most of the work will be done by the staff





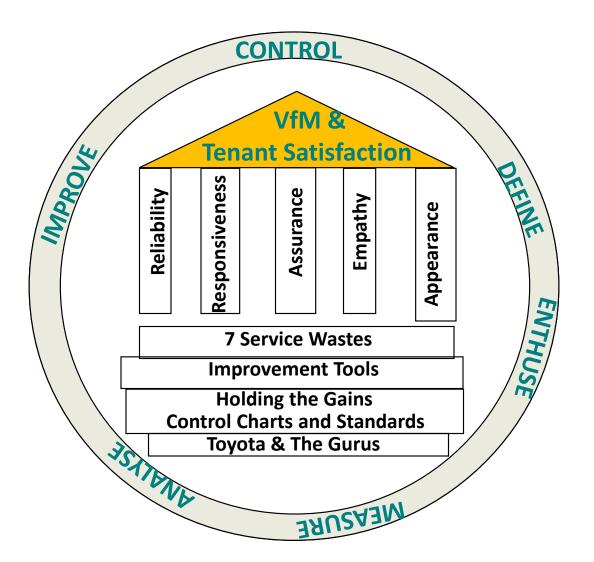


### What will the programme cost?

- A significant management input is needed
- CWC's input is cost neutral
  - CWC will work at risk for fees incurred
  - Client will not pay fees unless savings in excess of the fee level are identified

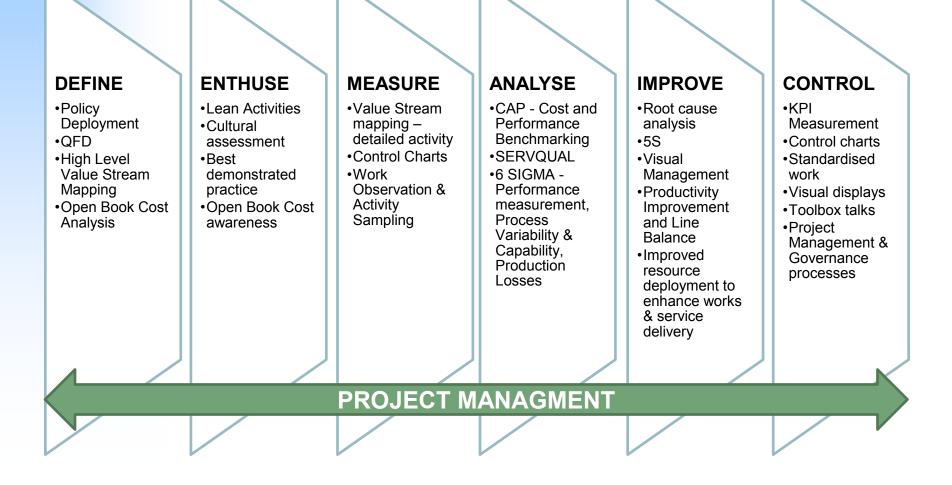


### The CWC Lean-Sigma Model





## **Tools and Techniques**





## **Step 1 Define**

### The purpose is to define :

- What the customer values
- The context, scope, expectations of the improvement programme



- The overall 'vision' of the Service
- 'Short-term' objectives
- How the programme will be delivered;
  - Programme schedule

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- Commitment and support to make-it-happen!
- Roles & responsibilities team and champion
  - Project management & governance

### **Step 2 Enthuse**

### The purpose is to :

- Enthuse all concerned to participate and support the improvement programme
  - Awareness
  - Alignment
  - Acceptance
  - Involvement
  - Achievement
  - Sustainability
- Accept Change
- Draft a charter

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### **Step 3 Measure**

# The purpose is to collect appropriate data :

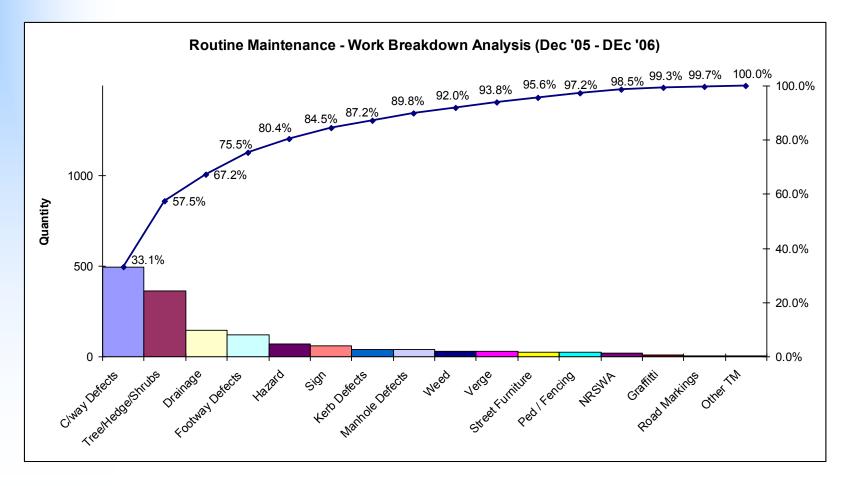
 What gets measured, analysed and reviewed leads to what is acted on



- We will focus on the real key measures
- For each service area we need to know;
  - How many service events per year (e.g. phone call)
  - How many per million go wrong
- This will be very hands-on looking at real processes



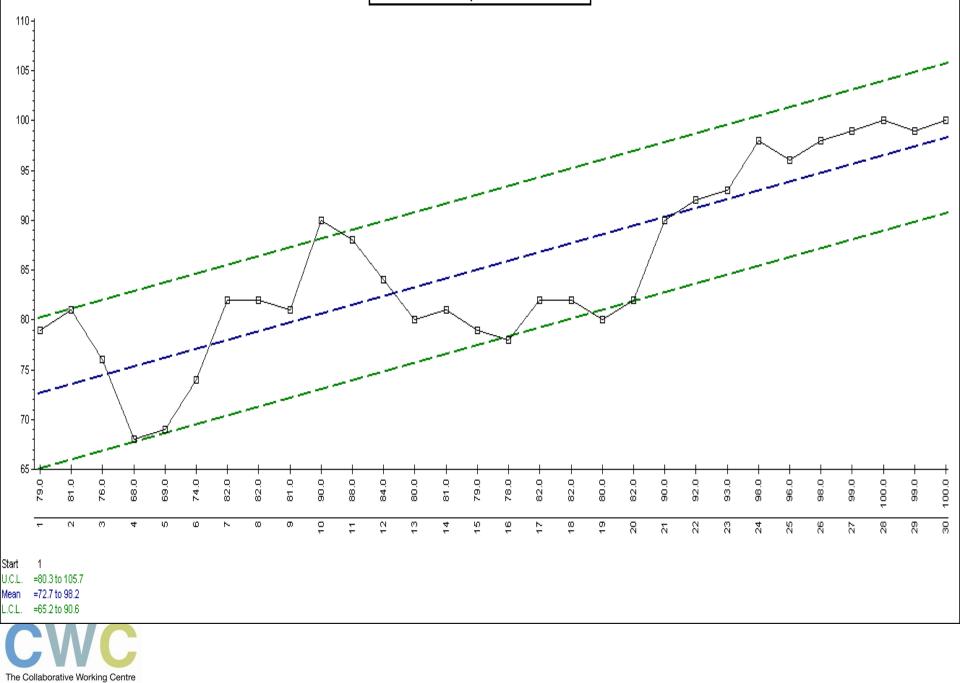
#### Diagnostic – Capturing the Current State Breakdown of Work Conducted by RM Gangs



33% of work carried out by RM gangs was attributed to C/way Defects followed by 24.4% on Trees/Hedges/Shrubs.



% Jobs Completed 1st Time



### **Step 3 Measure**

### Understand the structure of costs

- Cost of the works
  - Labour
  - Plant
  - Material
  - Subcontractors
- Preliminaries (cost of directly managing the works)
- Overheads
- Profit
- Risk

Client Cost of Managing the works



### **Step 3 Measure**

### What does this give us?

- The whole team have an understanding of true costs
- Allows informed decisions
- True cost information underpins Lean initiatives
- Understanding of costs through the <u>whole</u> delivery



## **Step 4 Analyse**

### The purpose is to:

- Diagnose the current state
- Understand how well work activity is being delivered
  - 1. Value added
  - 2. Non-value added
  - 3. Waste



- How well is the 'system' performing to meet the needs of the Customer
- Basis from which to develop an improved 'future state' process
- Identify & prioritise opportunities to improve



## What kinds of waste are there?

### 7 elements of waste 7 Service Wastes

- Overproduction
- Waiting
- Transporting
- Overprocessing
- Unnecessary Inventory
- Unnecessary Motion
- Defects

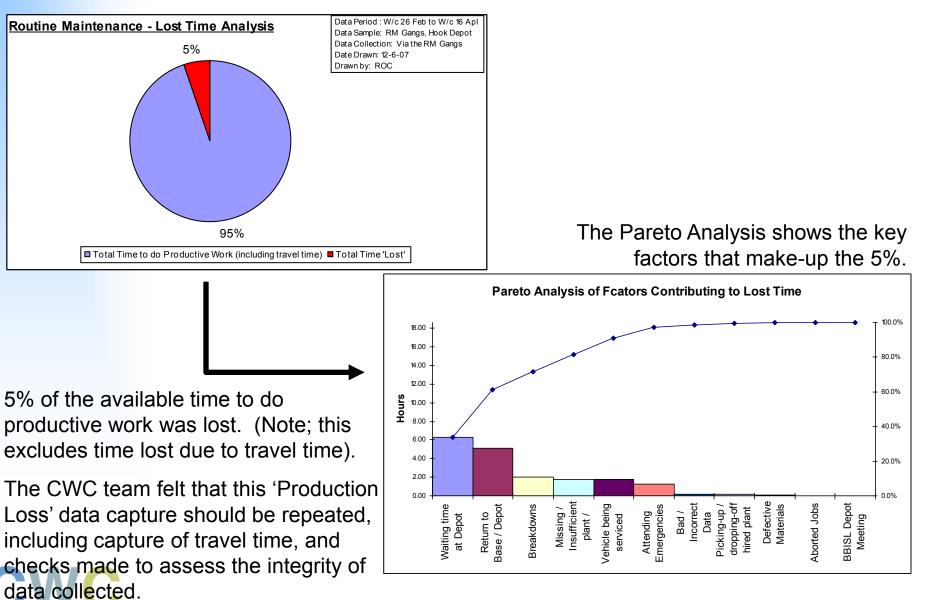
Delay

Duplication

- Unnecessary Movement
- Unclear communication
- Incorrect inventory
- Opportunity Lost
- Errors

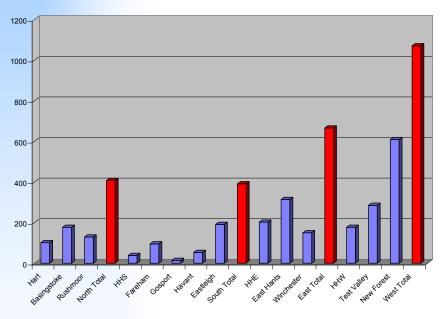


#### Diagnostic – Understanding the causes and level of 'Production Losses'

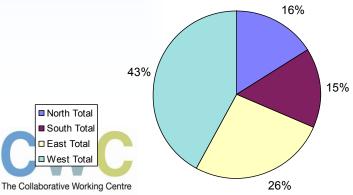


#### Diagnostic – Capturing the Current State Breakdown of Work Conducted by RM Gangs

Total No. potholes recorded on PEM per Area (Dec-05 to Nov 06)

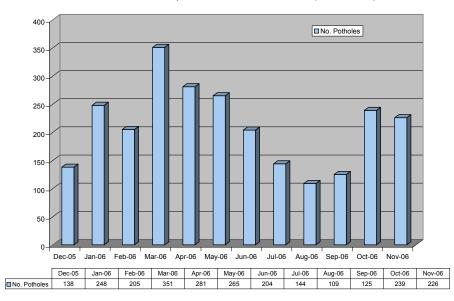


Breakdown of Pot Hole Work conducted by RM gangs (Dec 05 Dec 06)





Over 42% of the total Pot Hole repair work carried out by RM gangs was located in the 'West' region



#### No. Potholes per month recorded on PEM for all Areas (Dec-05 to Nov-06)

Peak time for dealing with Pot Holes focused through the months of Spring

## **Stage 5 Improve**

### The purpose is to:

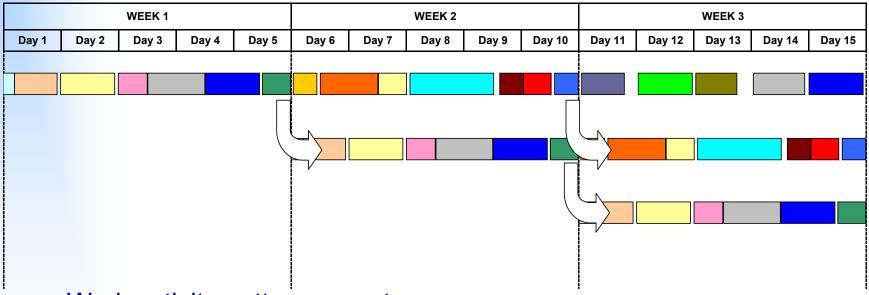
- Apply proven tools and techniques to deliver real, tangible improvements:
  - Overall set-up and organisation
  - Planning, management & control
  - Systems, Practices, Processes
  - Productivity
  - Production Losses
  - Logistics



- Take a Customer focused view in-line with the defined Future State System / Process
- Improving Quality, Delivery, Cost, Satisfaction



### Standardising Work Activity Even Flow Production



- Work activity pattern repeats
- Agreed improved interaction of operatives
- Easier to plan, organise and control
- Productivity improvements result

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#### Depot – Improving Gang Turn-Around Time Applying the Concept of Changeover Time Reduction Techniques

#### What is Changeover Time Reduction?

- Originates from the Single Minute Exchange of Die (SMED) concept, as applied extensively within manufacturing businesses to help maximise the time available for machines and processes to produce components, etc.
- Whenever a machine is changed over to enable production of a different component, a series
  of tasks will be carried out. The SMED technique identifies all of the changeover tasks that
  must be carried out and allocated them into one of two categories:
  - **INTERNAL** : All tasks that must be when the machine is stopped
  - EXTERNAL : All tasks that can either be prepared before the machine is stopped & tasks that can be done when the machine is restarted

External Tasks	Internal Tasks	External Tasks
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• The primary aim is to optimise the process for carrying out the INTERNAL tasks so they are completed in a safe manner and in the shortest possible time



### **Depot – Improving Gang Turn-Around Time**

It was agreed that target criteria for defining how well Teams 'flow' through the Depot should be set:

i.e. 20 minute turn-around time and out on the road by 8:00 (or 8:15am depending on gang's terms & conditions)

The concept of 'SMED' (see pervious slide) were introduced to the CWC Team, and tasks required to complete the loading-up of lorries categorised into INTERNAL and EXTERNAL activities

Pre-EXTERNAL	INTERNAL	Post-EXTERNAL
<ul> <li>Forward visibility of the planned work (e.g. 3-5 day forward schedule) that is 'topped' up with 'emergency' jobs</li> <li>Vans / lorries refuelled</li> <li>Tools / equipment required to support the scheduled jobs ready</li> <li>Materials (where possible) prepared in advance of the van / lorry loading time</li> <li>'Visual' display board ready to show the order of vehicle loading</li> <li>All loading plant fully manned to ensure the loading schedule can be carried out effectively</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conduct loading activities in-line with defined Loading Schedule</li> <li>Where possible, conduct any activities concurrently (e.g. 1<sup>st</sup> gang member to carry out loading, 2<sup>nd</sup> gang member to deal with any paperwork tasks, etc)</li> <li>LHE to be available during the defined loading window to direct work gangs as necessary</li> <li>Depot management / supervision to oversee the efficient 'flow' of gang loading activities to ensure the 20 minute turnaround is achieved</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Paperwork completed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> gang member when on the road</li> <li>Any material spoils to be 'cleared- up' as required by designated Depot worker(s)</li> <li>Materials, plant and equipment to be prepared ready for the next day's schedule of work for each gang</li> <li>At 'end-of-day', preload vans / lorries as much as possible</li> </ul>

Basic overview of Loading activities. Detailed work tasks & sequence to be defined. Also repeat for 'End-of-Day' Depot activities.

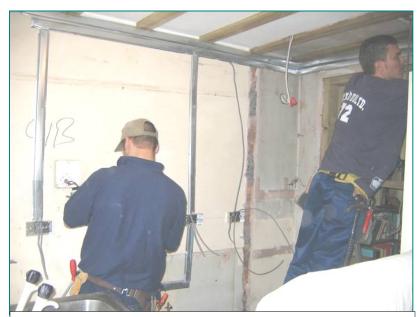
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## Improving On-Site Delivery

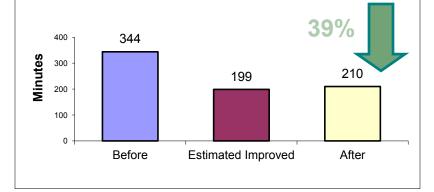
### Improvements

- Direct observation
- Work specification
- Innovation in products & materials
- Work methods





Reduced Time for 1st Fix Electrics





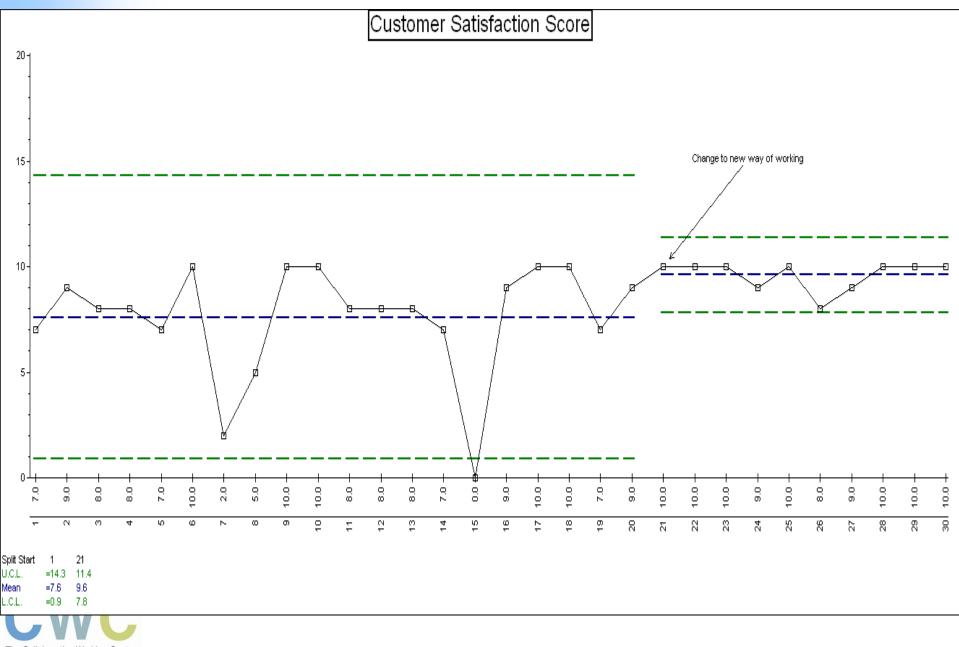
## **Stage 6 Control**

#### The purpose is to:

- Ensure sustainability
- Establish how the improved process should be carried out
- Appropriate service delivery measures
  - (e.g. Control Charts)
- Create / encourage ownership
- Ensure in-house capability
- Change management







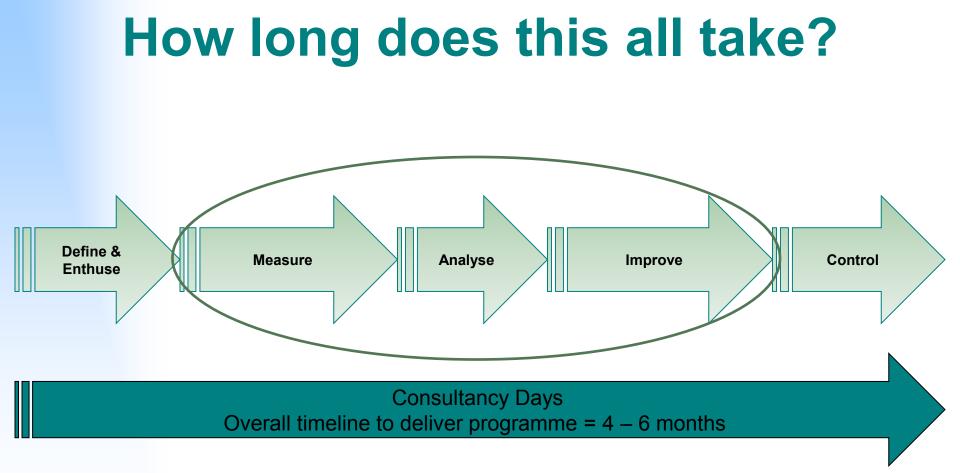
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### Summary

This programme is about Adding Value by:

- Reducing waste
- Increasing customer satisfaction
- After a century of theory CWC has developed a methodology for the construction industry
- There are six stages
  - Define Enthuse Measure Analyses Improve Control
- The whole process will take up to six months
- A group of key people will need to drive this







### **Current State**

#### Programme

- Programme scope & value.
- Number of contractors & sub-contractors/suppliers & value of work.
- Procurement process and selection criteria.
- Contract arrangements form of contract, improvement incentives and cost transparency.
- Degree of collaborative leadership and team behaviour.
- Organisation structure and staff numbers.
- Adequacy of management controls
- Benchmarking and performance measurement data collected to date.
- Process improvement activities undertaken to date



## **Project Management & Governance**



### **Project Management & Governance**

- Set up a Steering Group to drive the programme
- Include all relevant stakeholders and contractors
- Develop a plan:
  - Set context / vision for the programme
  - Sign-off target areas for improvement
  - Oversee progress and deliverables through-out
  - Ensure sufficient commitment and support
  - Remove any 'barriers to success'
  - Support the roll-out of improvements
  - Champion a programme of continuous improvement



## **Core Improvement Team (CIT)**

- Multi-Discipline
- Multi-Organisation
- Full-time as part of the CIT
- Establish a team that will 'own' and drive an improvement 'programme'
- CWC Lean Sigma will provide and grow;
  - a structured approach, the 'know-how', challenge, and guidance
- It is up to RHL and the CIT to;
  - support, adopt, grow and flourish

