Using Lean for Property's Process Improvement

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Continuous Improvement Journey

Our Plan This initiative is another step in our department's evolution and Cl journey

Our Objective

To continually evolve and improve

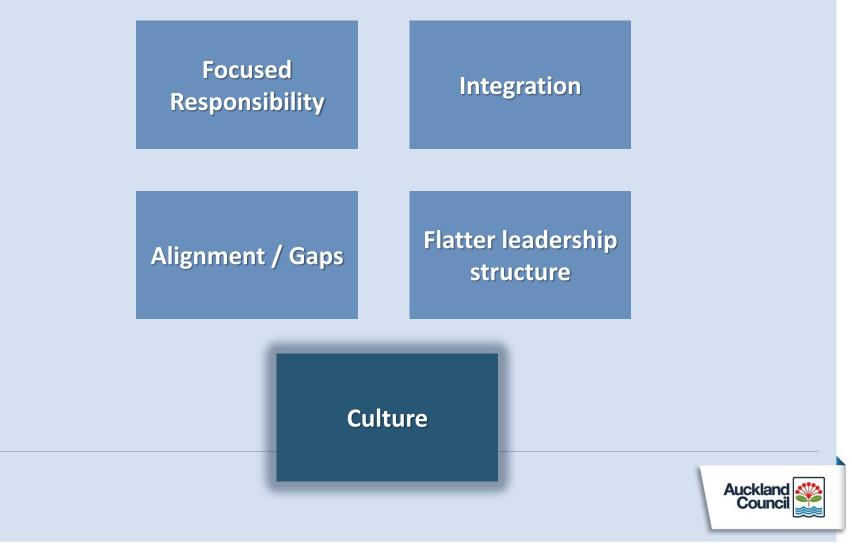
Our Purpose

The delivery of value for money property and fleet services, quality advice to our customers and the optimal management of Council's service property portfolio

Our Vision

World class property function that is financially astute, and delivers on Auckland's expectations and aspirations

Five key areas of attention



Current State



- Data integrity
- System integration
- Suppliers rationalised
- Dashboard evolving

Wide range of improvement initiatives: underway

- Systems and data improvement plan
- Customer : relationship and performance
- Supplier : relationship, performance and leverage
- Capability review
- Benchmarking



Missing





Bottom up – Team culture



Measure at right level – Department vs functional vs teams

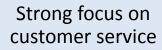
Visibility and regular review



CI Methodology

Selection

Criteria

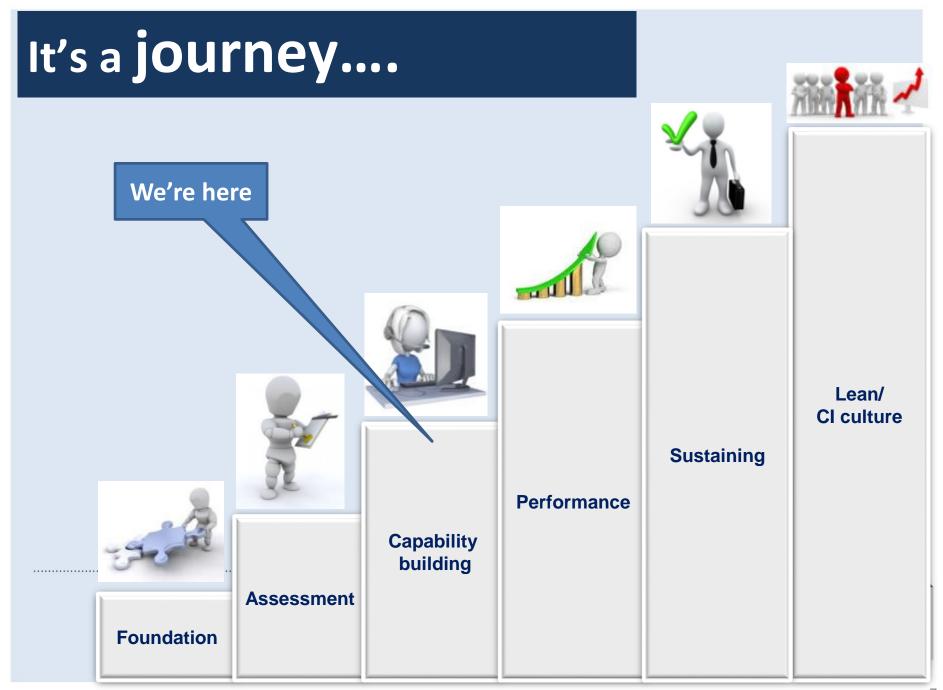


Opens up and displays performance and improvement initiatives

Reduce cost, increase flexibility and consistency of service

A methodology that resonates with what we do and understand – construction, sustainability, etc Select a hybrid. Primarily Lean, supported by Six Sigma





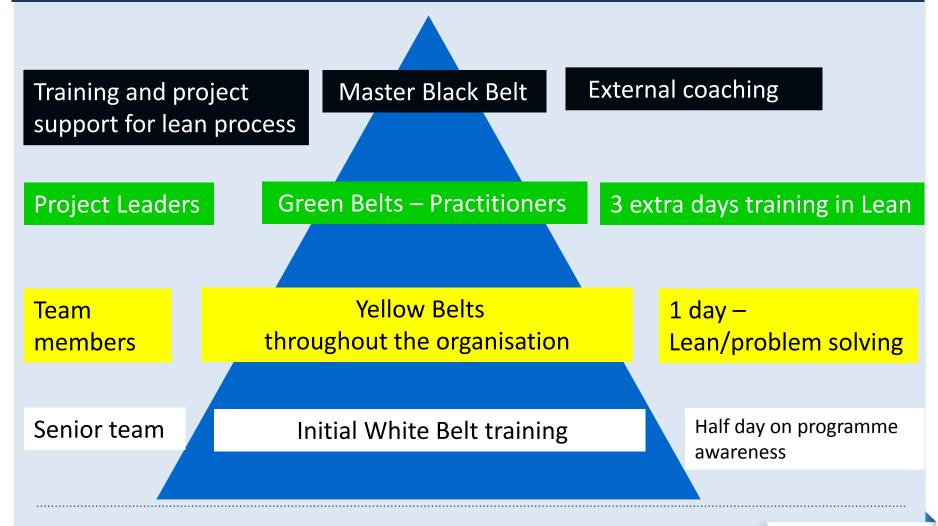
Foundation and Assessment Stages

- Started Oct 2014
- Management team keen to engage '
- Senior team attended lean awareness workshop
- Identified candidate projects
- Checked project alignment with business plans

Decided to adopt PDCA roadmap



Capability Building – training structure used



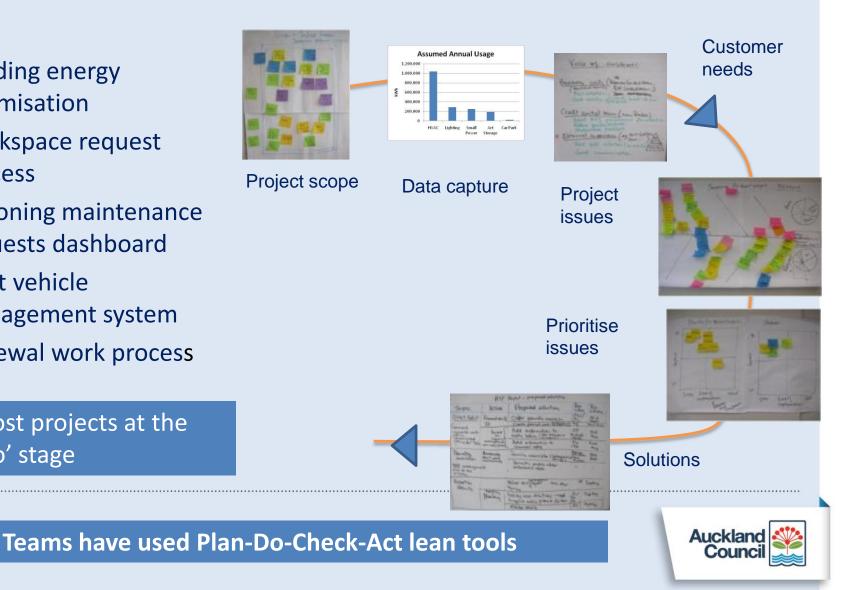
Candidates trained at Yellow and Green Belt level



Performance – Green Belt projects

- **Building energy** optimisation
- Workspace request process
- Actioning maintenance requests dashboard
- **Fleet vehicle** management system
- **Renewal work process**

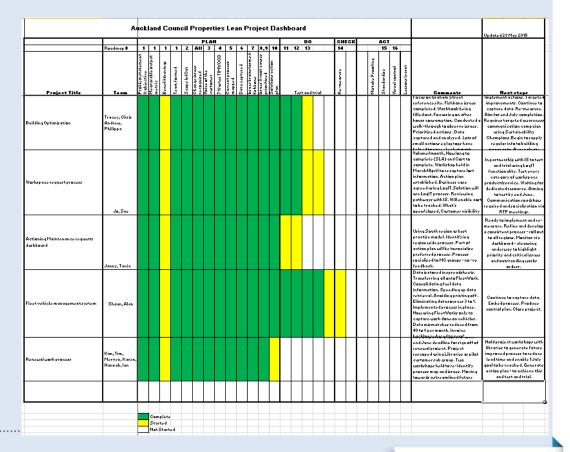
Most projects at the 'Do' stage



Sustaining – approach taken

Project Dashboard

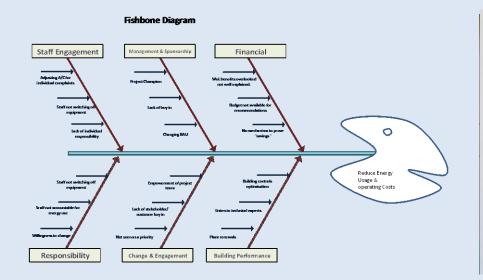
- Leadership team involvement
- Regular 'drumbeat' review sessions
- Project dashboard
- Starting to use 'lead' measures
- Involvement of customer groups







Sustaining – lessons learnt



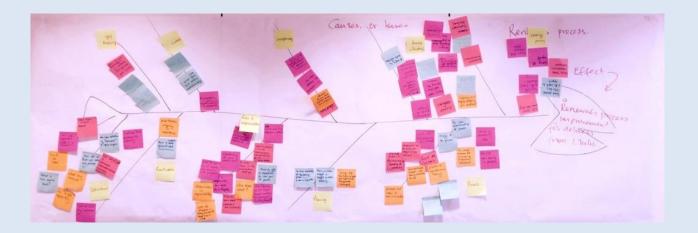
Customer & Community Paper Science response consistancia (niteriori) 57% 50%

Property Department Balanced Scorecard

- Finding a balance between BAU and improvement
- Making the process robust across re-organisation
- Linking improvement with existing KPI's and making meaningful improvements
- Start with manageable size improvements
- Site reference visits help
- Leadership: energy, top priority and presence
- Cross-project support and competition



Moving towards a Lean culture



- Empowering the team to improve processes
- Accelerating project completion
- Make it 'easy' to improve
- Moving from just functional to cross-functional projects

Aiming for 'self-initiated' improvement

