



# Delivering 21<sup>st</sup> Century Construction

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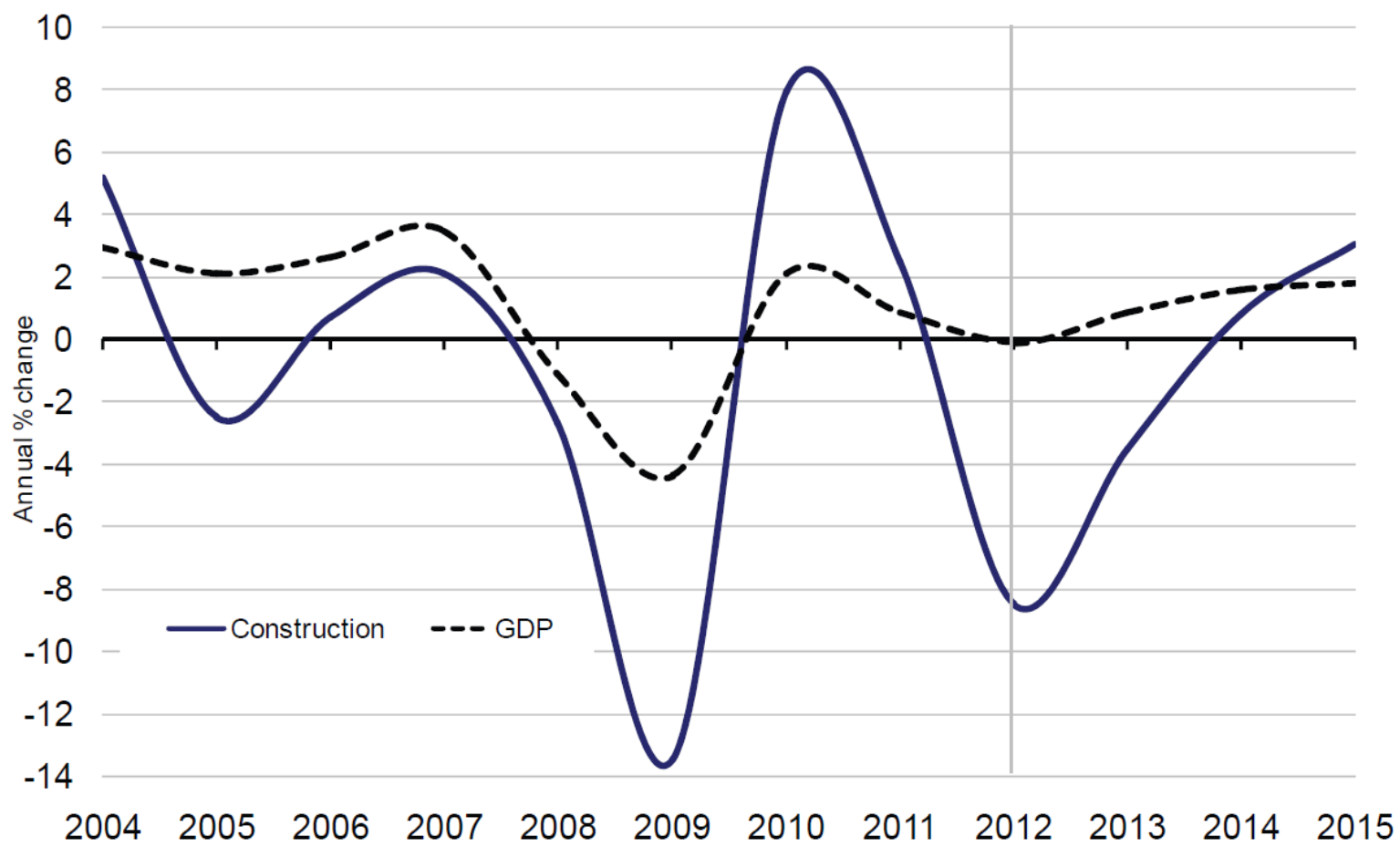
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# Context

GROWTH IN UK CONSTRUCTION OUTPUT AND GDP

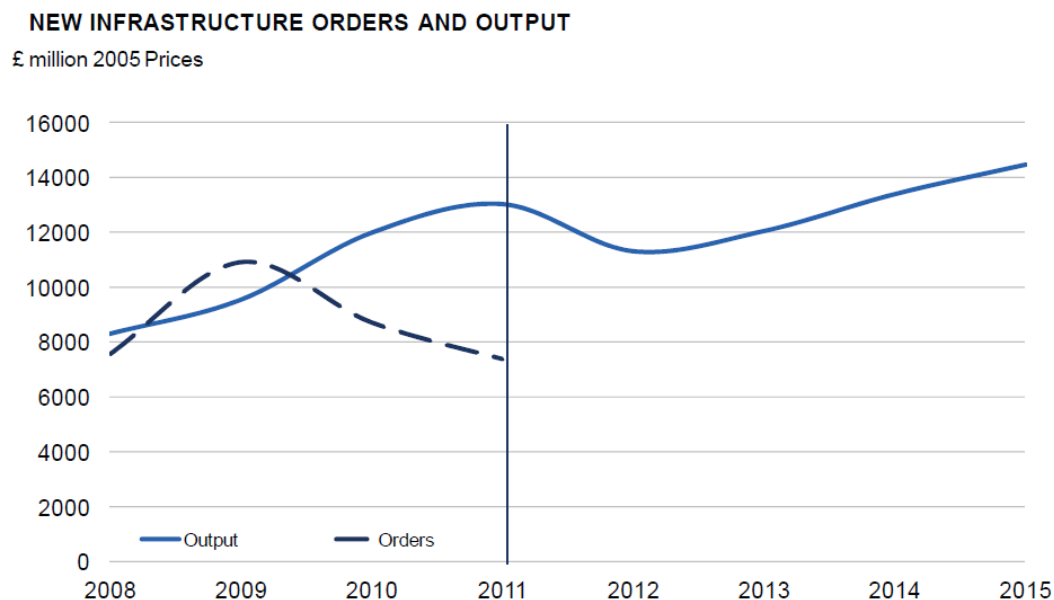


Source: ONS, Experian.



# Analysis of Construction Forecasts

- Shows cyclical behaviour of industry
  - Not all construction sectors responding at same rate
  - Construction forecast to decline in 2013 by circa 3.5%
- Infrastructure forecast to lead growth
  - 2012 infrastructure output down circa 13%, but orders up 38%
  - Output to grow in 2013 and beyond



Source: ONS, Experian.



# Autumn Statement 2011 and 2012 – consistent policy



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## AUTUMN STATEMENT 2011

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November 2011

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## AUTUMN STATEMENT 2012

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December 2012



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## National Infrastructure Plan 2011

November 2011

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## National Infrastructure Plan: update 2012

# National Infrastructure Plan - overview

- A vision for the UK's infrastructure
  - Effective planning for medium term across all sectors
  - Long-term ambitions for each sector
- Mobilising funding and financing infrastructure *investment*
  - New approach to public private infrastructure investment – PF2
  - UK Guarantees Scheme – up to £40bn
  - Pension Investment Platform, Insurances, Inward Investment
  - Established Green Investment Bank - £3bn capitalisation
- Focusing on delivery
  - Prioritising major projects through a new Cabinet Committee
  - Bringing down costs in planning and through the Infrastructure Cost Review

# The vision – long-term ambitions for each sector

## Transport



## Energy



## Communications



## Environmental networks



Note: this is a selection from the fuller list of ambitions in the National Infrastructure Plan



# The vision – performance and cost analysis

- In general, performance has risen since 2005, but so have costs

Sector	Evolution of performance		Evolution of cost	
	Since 2005	Change 2010 to 2011 <sup>a</sup>	Since 2005	Change 2010 to 2011 <sup>a</sup>
Major roads	↑	Stable	↑	Improved
Rail	↑	Improved	↓	Improved
Airports	↓	Stable	↑	Improved
Ports	↑	Stable	↑	Improved
Electricity	↑	Stable	↑	Stable
Gas	↑	Improved	↑	Stable
Communications	↑	Improved	↓	Improved
Water and sewerage <sup>b</sup>	↑	No 2011 data	↑	No 2011 data
Waste	↑	Stable	↑	Stable
Flood risk management	↑	Improved	↓	Improved

Source: HM Treasury analysis, see Annex D for details.

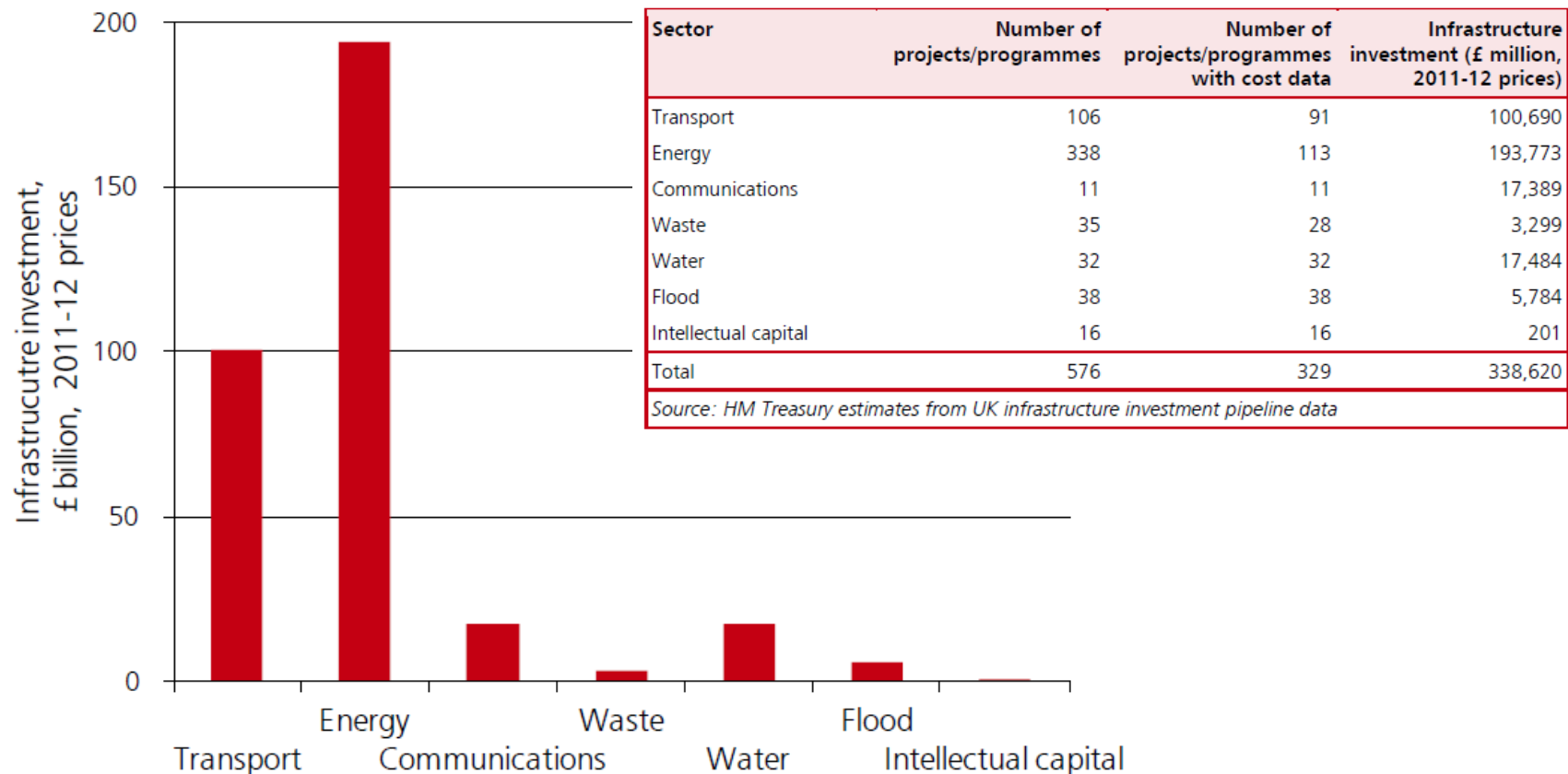
<sup>a</sup> +/- five points is classified as stable

<sup>b</sup> Data for water and sewerage are to 2010. Updated indices are not available due to significant changes in data collection by Ofwat

# UK infrastructure investment pipeline

2012-15 and beyond overall investment in economic infrastructure of more than £300 billion across over 500 projects and programmes

Chart 4.A: Infrastructure investment pipeline overview<sup>a</sup>

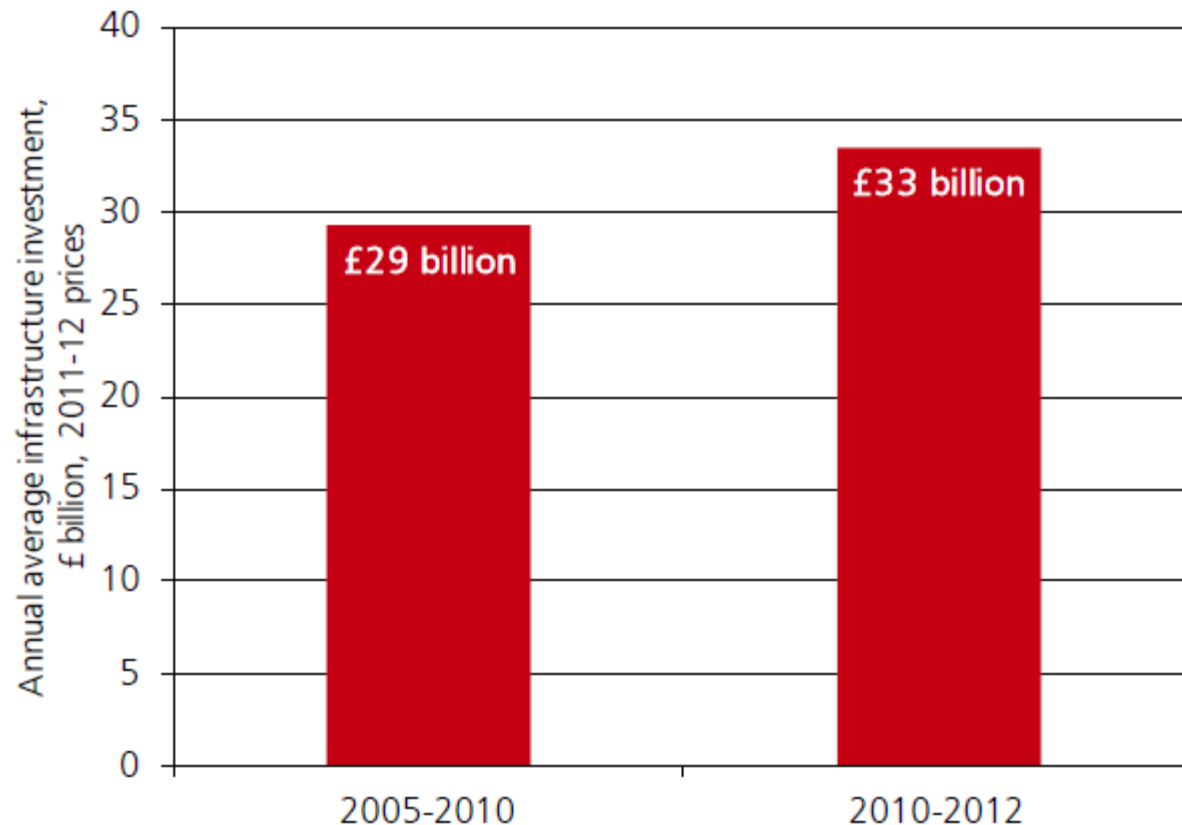


Source: HM Treasury estimates from 2012 UK infrastructure investment pipeline data



# Funding and financing – public /private investment

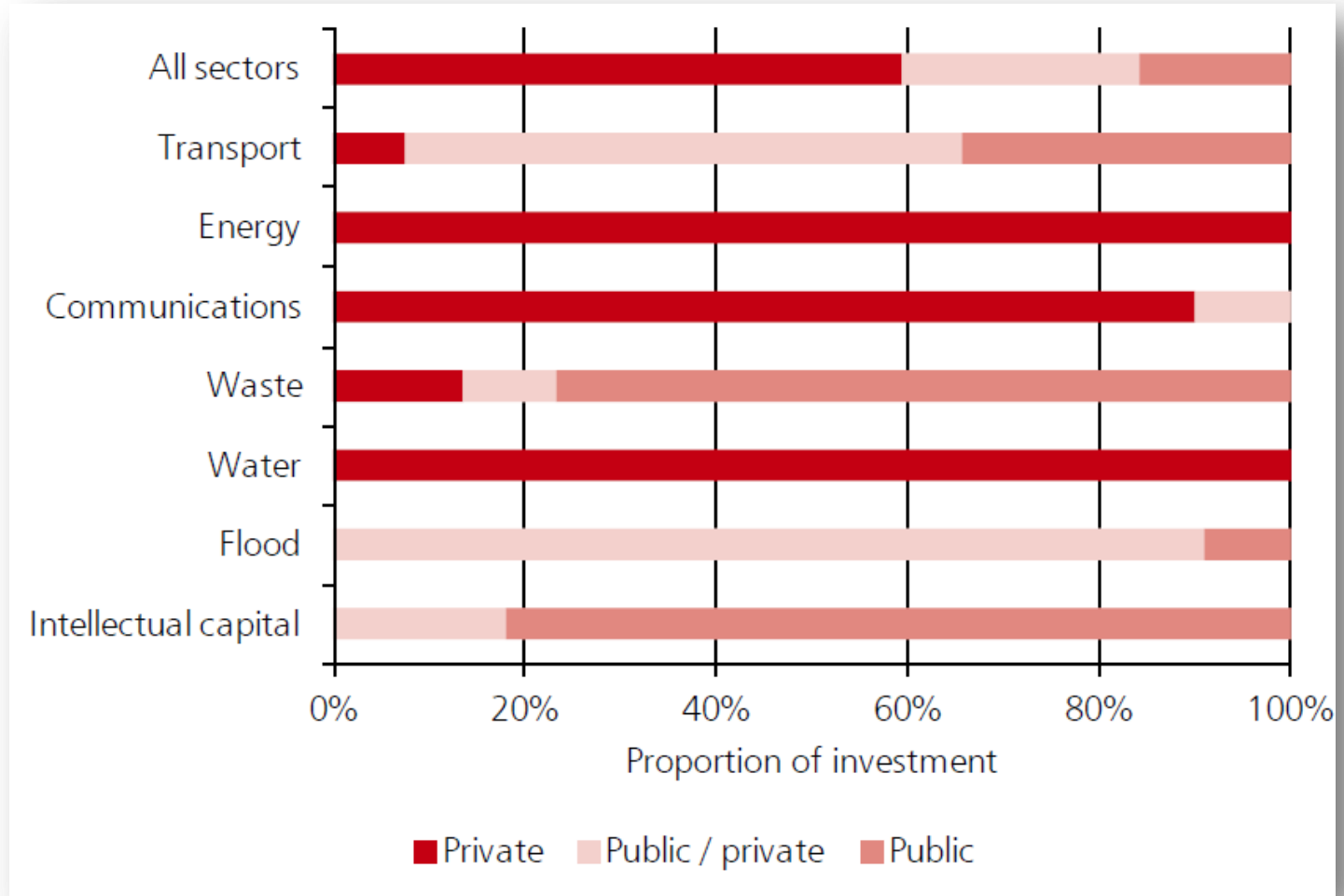
Average annual infrastructure investment in the UK, public and private



*Source: HM Treasury estimates using data from company accounts, regulators, Office for National Statistics and government departments*

# Funding and financing – public /private investment

Most UK infrastructure investment is already led by the private sector



Source: HM Treasury analysis.

# Focusing on delivery – prioritising major projects

- The Government has identified 40 projects and programmes that are of national significance and critical for growth
- Cabinet Committee, chaired by the Chief Secretary to the Treasury, to tackle poor coordination and planning and regulatory hold ups to ensure delivery

## Transport

### Roads

Highways Agency programme in construction – pre-2010 Spending Review	New Lower Thames crossing
Highways Agency managed motorways programme – Spending Review projects	Mersey Gateway Bridge
Highways Agency trunk road improvements programme – 2010 Spending Review projects	Local transport projects – funded at or before 2010 Spending Review
Highways Agency – Autumn Statement package	Local authority major transport schemes – development pool projects
Alternative approaches to resolving issues along the A14 corridor	

### Public transport

Crossrail	Reading upgrade programme
Thameslink	High Speed Two (subject to consultation)
Rail infrastructure and rolling stock enhancement	Northern rail connectivity (Liverpool-Newcastle including Northern Hub)
East Coast Main Line	Intercity Express Programme
Great Western Electrification	London Underground investment programme
Kings Cross Station improvements	Northern Line Extension to Battersea

### Airports

Gatwick capital investment programme	Heathrow capital investment programme
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### Ports

Ports – container terminal projects	Ports – renewable energy projects
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### Local infrastructure funding programmes

Growing Places Fund	Regional Growth Fund
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## Energy

Electricity generation – new nuclear investment	Electricity generation – wind energy investment
Carbon Capture and Storage investment	Electricity and gas transmission and distribution investment
Electricity generation – gas investment (CCGT)	Smart meters
Electricity generation – biomass investment	

## Communications

4G mobile auction and rollout	Fixed broadband investment – private and public
Rural mobile coverage	Urban broadband fund

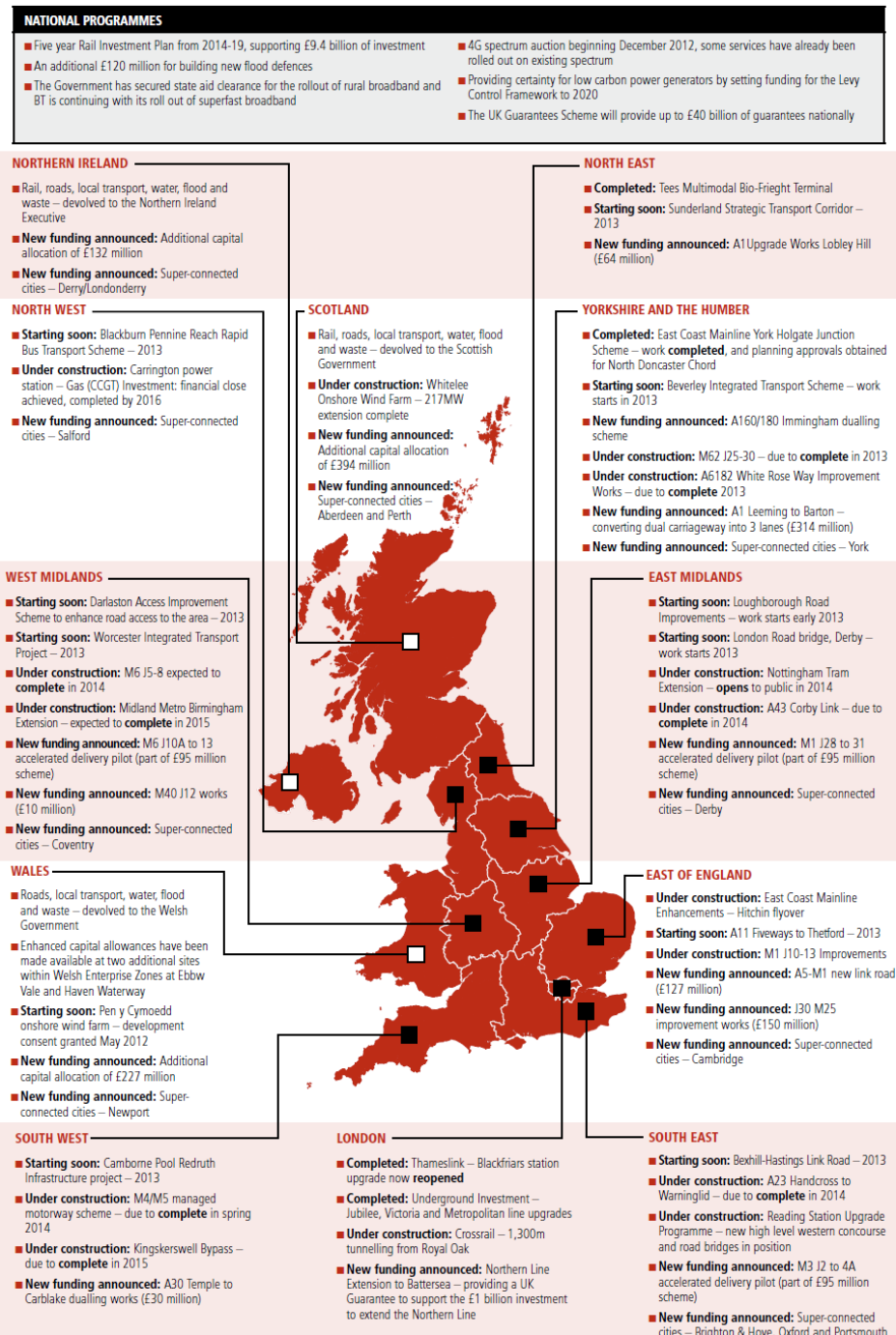
## Water and sewerage and flood risk management

Thames Tideway Tunnel	Flood and coastal erosion risk management programme (including Thames Estuary 2100)
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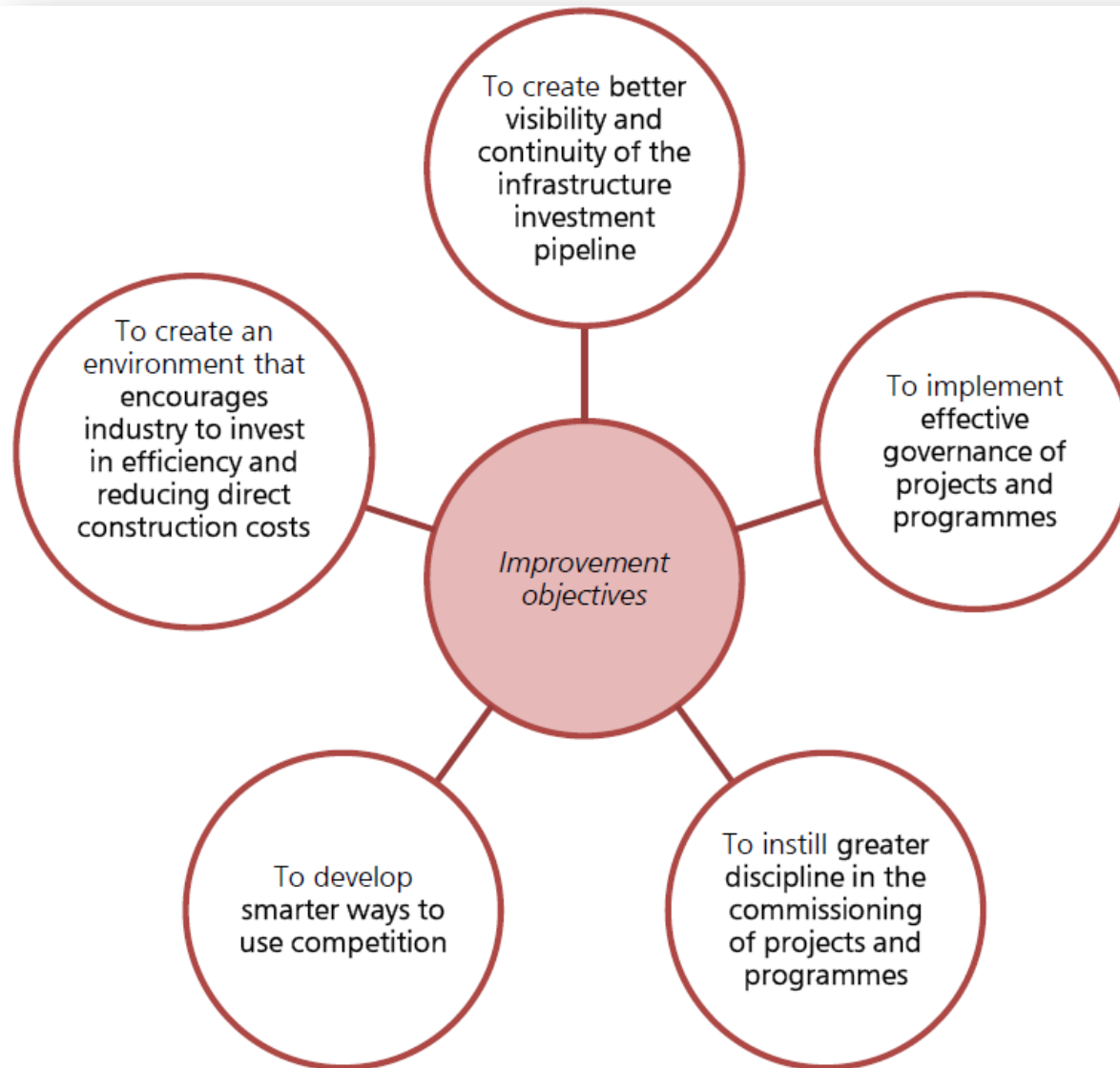
# Delivery Progress

- Key commitments in AS 2011 delivered:
  - Energy Bill published
  - High Speed 2 decision
  - £9.4bn investment in rail network
  - Offshore Wind Programme Board formed
  - Major new investments in highways network
  - Flood defence programme

Figure 2.A: Infrastructure delivery progress around the UK and Autumn Statement 2012 capital announcements



# Improving Delivery - Key themes



# Focusing on delivery – efficiency and innovation

## Implementing the Cost Review

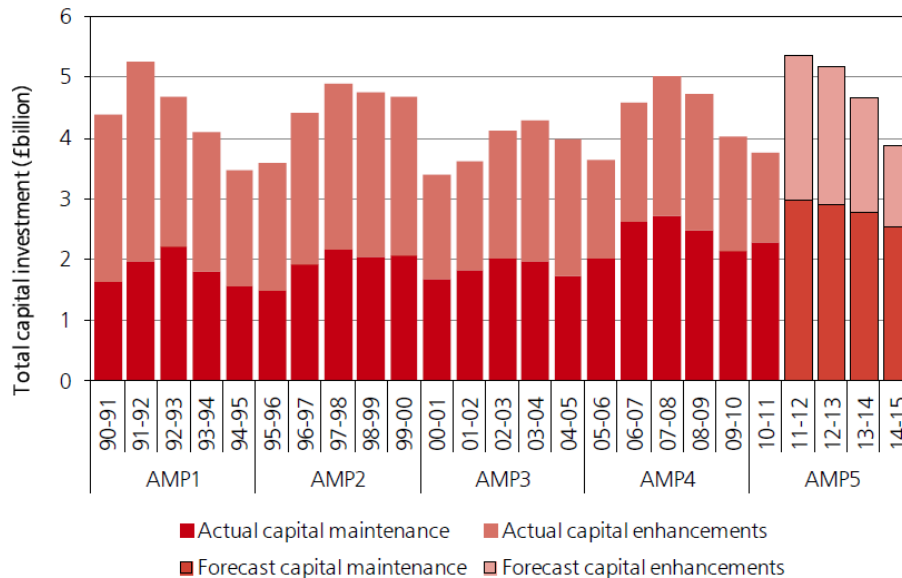
The Government has:

- published the construction and infrastructure pipelines
- committed to streamlining procurement processes and better engagement with suppliers
- started driving out duplication and redundancy in technical standards
- begun working with industry to build skills and capability to meet investment pipeline



# Pipeline – Addressing cyclicalality

Chart 1.A: Total industry net capital investment 1990-91 to 2014-15



Source: Ofwat<sup>2</sup>



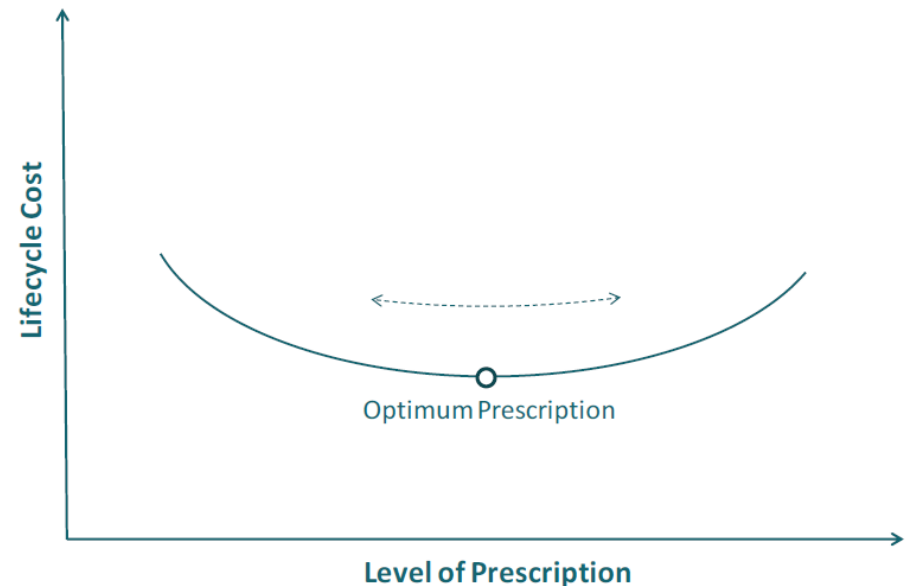
Smoothing investment cycles in the water sector

July 2012

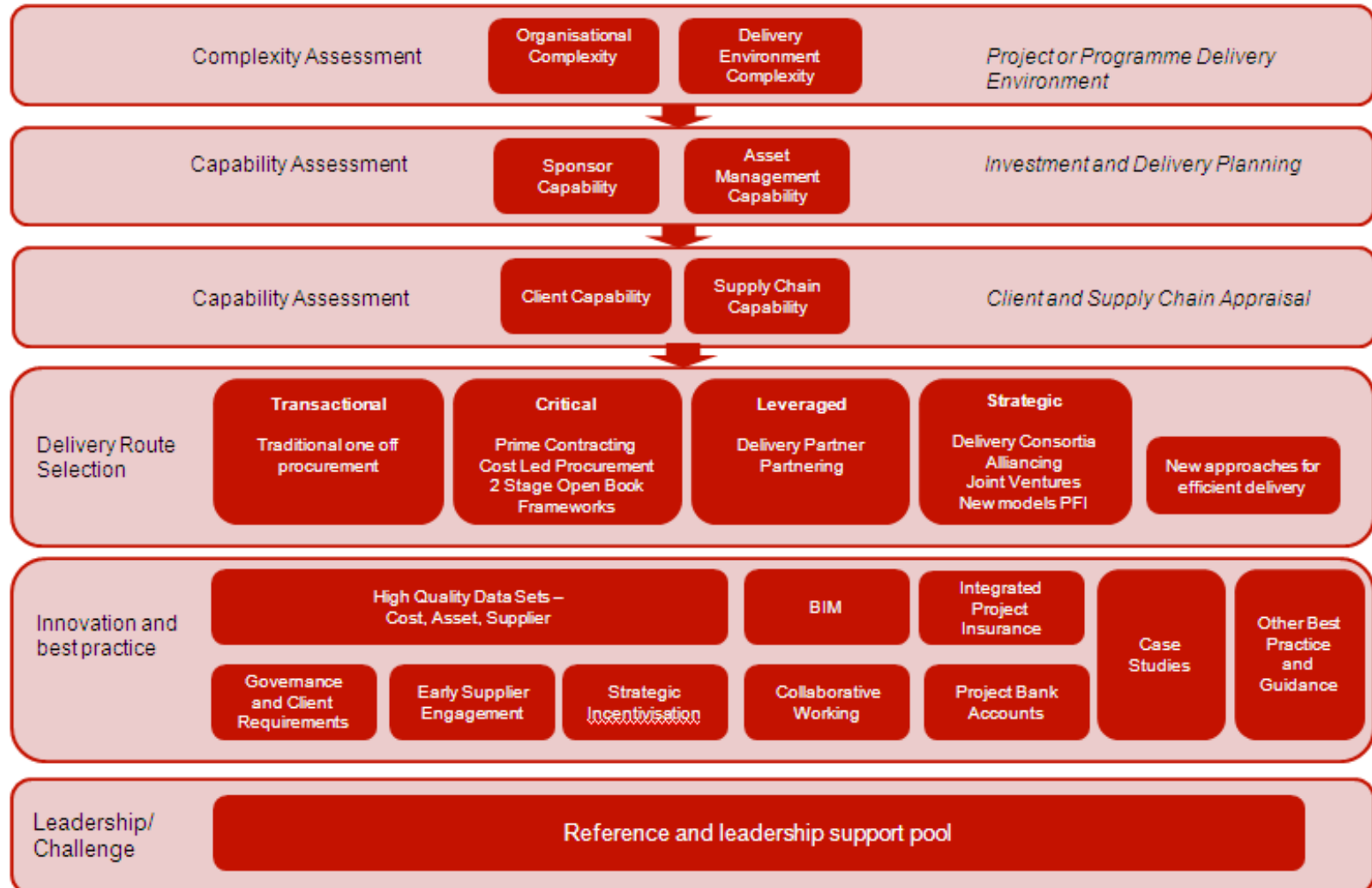
- Even with published pipeline – cyclical effects undermine optimum performance
- Estimated impact in water sector alone is 3-5% lower productivity, loss of between 20,000 and 40,000 jobs each five year period
- Actions set out to incentivise smooth investment profile

# Standards

- Report published July 2012
- Evidence of clients getting smarter at simplifying their requirements
  - LU, NR
- Still pockets of poor practice
  - Midland Quarry Products supply asphalt to local authority highways clients
  - Same overarching highways standards, but MQP produce 270 different asphalt mixes
- Action plan now being implemented

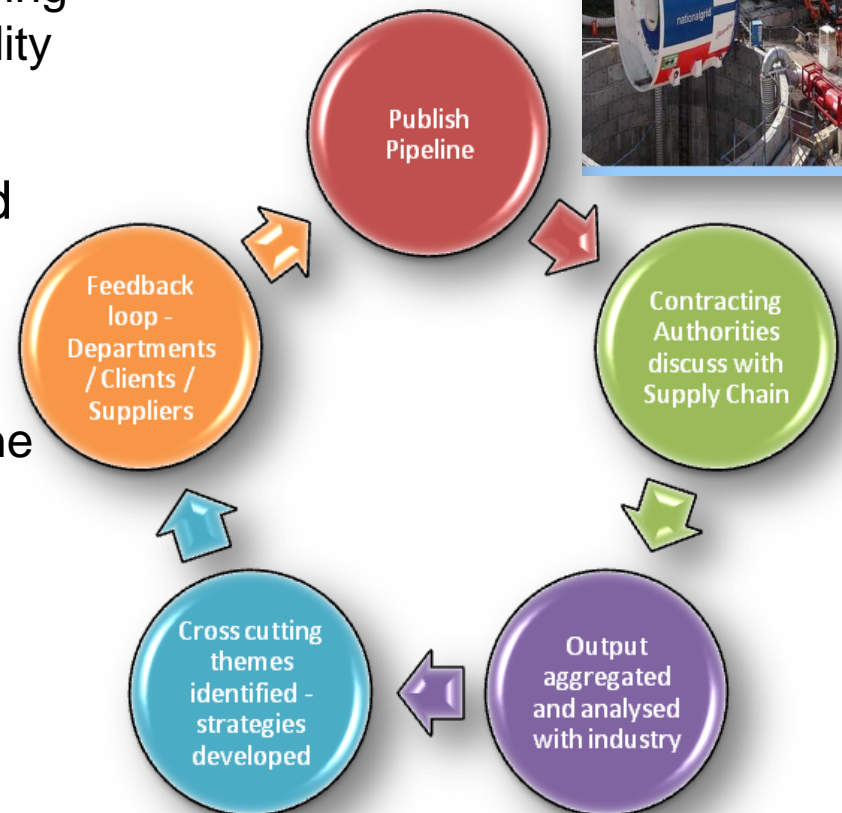


# Infrastructure Procurement Routemap



# Building Capability

- Having published pipelines – how should we use them?
- Example: Tunnelling analysis April 2012
  - Industry, clients and government producing a co-ordinated approach to build capability
- Industrial Strategy for Construction, under Peter Hansford, being prepared for Summer 2013
  - A vision for UK construction
  - Build skills and capability to meet pipeline
  - Improve procurement and delivery
  - Innovative modern methods
    - BIM, DFMA
  - Low Carbon, Low Cost

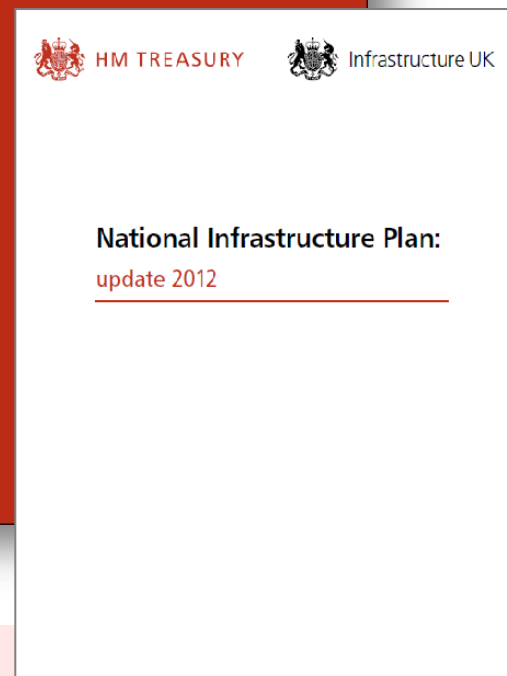


# Summary

- There remain a number of key challenges
  - Pipeline – short term volumes
  - External pressures – Eurozone and global economic climate
- However:
  - Strong government focus on infrastructure delivery at the highest level
    - New Cabinet Committee keeping cross Whitehall focus on delivery
    - Increasing levels of investment in economic infrastructure in line with NIP
  - An targeted approach to build capability to meet published pipelines
    - Industrial Strategy for Construction
  - Cost Review principles being embedded in project delivery

Backed by:

- A long term, sustainable need to invest in UK's economic infrastructure





# Links



## National Infrastructure Plan

[http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/infrastructure\\_nip.htm](http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/infrastructure_nip.htm)

## Infrastructure Cost Review

[http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/iuk\\_cost\\_review\\_index.htm](http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/iuk_cost_review_index.htm)

