

#### Public Clients as the Driver for BIM Adoption – Why and how UK Government wants to change the construction industry?

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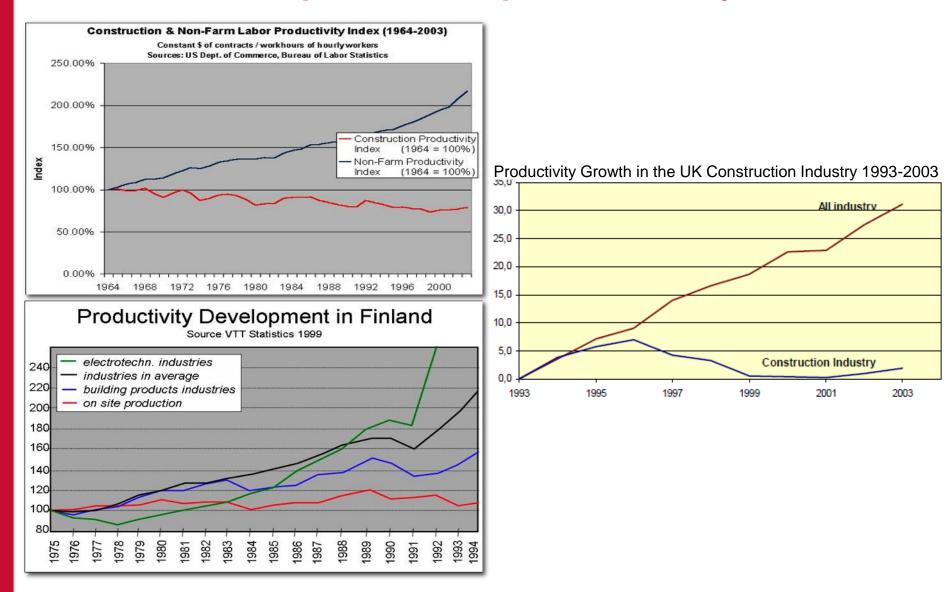


# Our basic problem: Construction industry is difficult to change



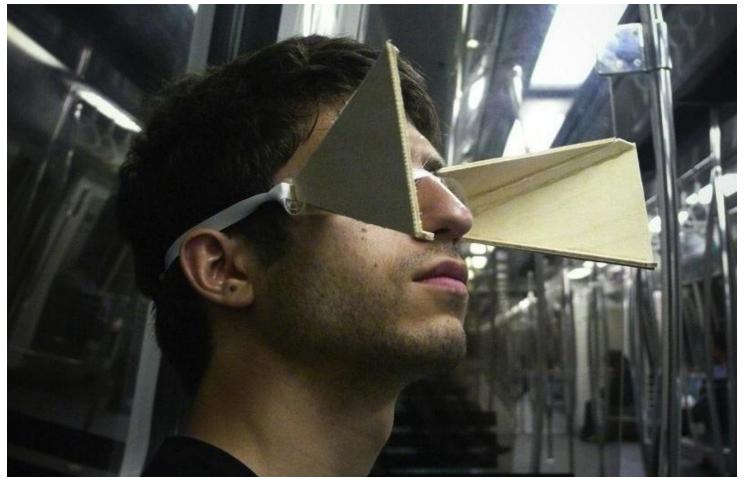
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#### Poor development of productivity



#### Silos and blinkers

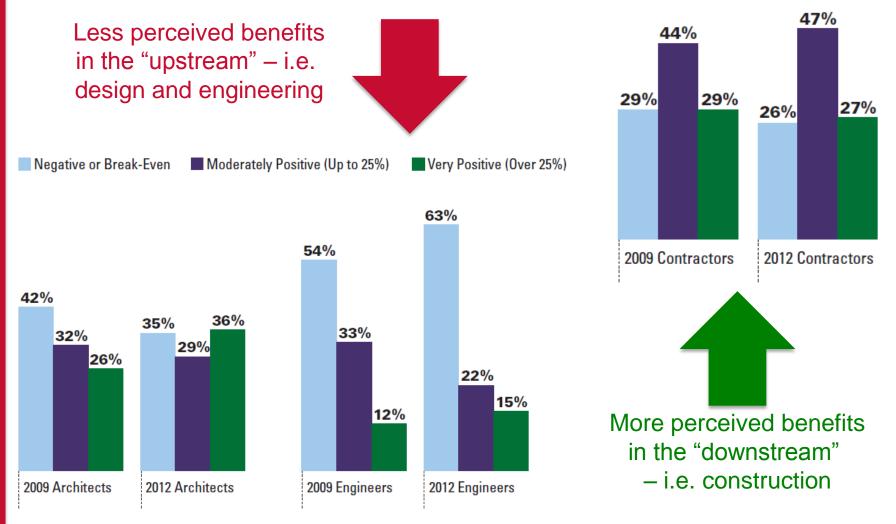
 Standardised roles, but poor understanding of the information flows and needs in the process



#### Business models and work processes

- Systemic Innovations, i.e. product and process innovations that require changes in multiple firms, are difficult to implement in project based industries.
- Low bid ad-hoc teams
  - Clients select the services based on the lowest price in design this basically means selecting the least effort
- Sub-optimisation
  - Because of the low-bid business model, everyone must minimise their own workload, despite of the fact that the consequent mistakes increase total costs.
- Missing business benefits for upstream partners
  - Why would they produce more or better information?
- Legal responsibilities
  - Fear that new methods increase uncertainty and risks

# Perceived BIM ROI by domain – what is the incentive for designers?



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Source: McGraw Hill: SmartMarket Report 2012



### Biggest challenge: Resistance to change

### "It will not slice a pineapple"

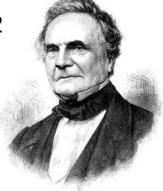
"Propose to any Englishman\* any principle, or any instrument, however admirable, and you will observe that the whole effort of the English mind is directed to find a difficulty, a defect, or an impossibility in it.

If you speak to him of a machine for peeling a potato, he will pronounce it impossible: if you peel a potato with it before his eyes, he will declare it useless, because it will not slice a pineapple.

Impart the same principle or show the same machine to an American, and you will observe that the whole effort of his mind is to find some new application of the principle, some new use for the instrument."

Charles Babbage, 1852

Many people try to **invent excuses** why not accept changes – such as BIM – but the **real** reason is that **they do not want** to change!



#### The industry needs a wake up call...



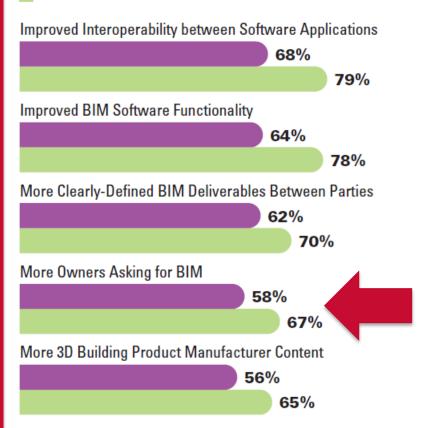
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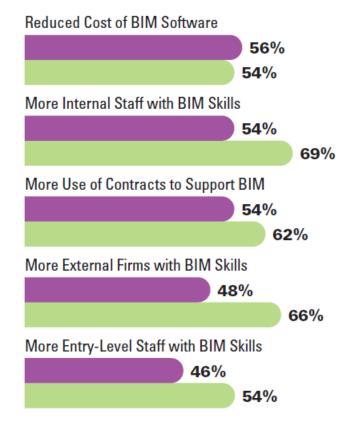
#### Most important factors to increase the use of BIM

#### Most Important Factors for Increasing BIM Benefits (2009 and 2012)

Source: McGraw-Hill Construction, 2012

2012



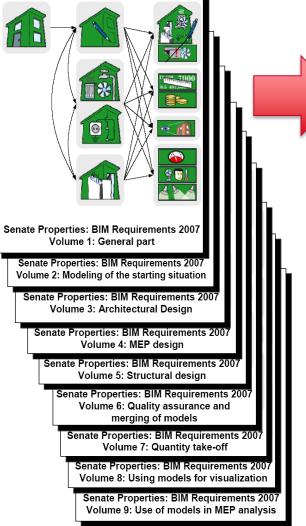


#### Some public owners demanding BIM

- GSA (General Services Administration, USA) 2007
  - First only Spatial Programme Validation, later expanded to Energy Performance & Operations and Circulation & Security Validation
- Senate Properties (Finland) 2007
  - Models mandatory through the whole design process
  - COBIM 2012 national BIM requirements covering the whole information lifecycle
- USACE (US Army Corps of Engineers) 2008
- USCG (US Coast Guard, USA) 2009
- Danish Enterprise and Construction Authority 2009
- Statsbygg (Norway) 2010

### COBIM 2012

2007 Senate Properties BIM guidelines



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#### National BIM requirements in Finland:

- . General Requirements
- 2. Modelling of the Starting Situation
- 3. Architectural Design
- 4. MEP Design
- 5. Structural Design
- 6. Quality Assurance
- 7. Quantity Take-off
- 8. Use of Models for Visualisation
- 9. Use of Models in MEP analyses
- 10. Energy Analysis
- 11. Management of a BIM Project
- 12. Use of Models in Facility Management
- 13. Use of Models in Construction
- 14. Use of Models in Building Permitting

http://www.en.buildingsmart.kotisivukone.com/3

#### What about UK...



#### Point of the Departure – May 2010

- Most people in UK also in the universities felt that modelling is not, and will not be, important for AEC professionals in the future:
  - "The industry needs people who can make drawings with CAD and our task is to provide those skills. There is no industry demand for BIM and we cannot start teaching it. 3D modelling is too expensive for the industry and too complicated for our students."

### Paul Morrell on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2010

#### 1 October 2010 | By Anna Winston

The government's chief construction adviser Paul Morell has indicated that Building Information Modelling (BIM) will become a key part of the procurement of public buildings.

Speaking at Autodesk's BIM Conference yesterday, Morrell indicated that bidders and contractors on future public building projects would be asked to use BIM.



#### ...and a quick response from the industry...



Simon Kaufman | 11 October 2010 11:06 am

Hold on a second! the Politicians are telling us how to DRAW our buildings now? Telling us what CAD software to use?!?!!?

Apart from the majority of architects not yet using BIM, it is far from tried and tested -no matter how appealing the Autodesk Sales representative's spiel seems when he visits your office - there are several major drawbacks to using it.

You do your Job, Mr. Morell, and I will do mine - and as building designer I will decide how and when I will use BIM.

#### ...but industry associations got active immediately



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## Paul Morrell on 20th May 2011

Construction chief Paul Morrell dismissed other 'unambitious' plans at the London KBB conference

The use of Building Information Modelling will be made mandatory on virtually all government projects within five years, according to Paul Morrell, the government's chief construction adviser.

A report by the Innovation and Growth Team last year, which recommended BIM being used on projects over £50m, was dismissed by Morrell as "unambitious".

He said the only exceptions would be when using BIM made the project more expensive. He said: "Within five years, all government procurement will be within 3D collaborative BIM, with specific exceptions where the cost might exceed the benefit, although I have to say I'm struggling to think of obvious examples of that."

BIM requires firms to conform to a set of standard processes and 3D modelling of projects. A formal announcement on the five-year roll-out of BIM will be made by the government in June.

The move to widen the net below £50m projects to catch all firms working for the government marks a radical departure from previous government thinking.

At the KBB conference in London on Tuesday, run by Building's parent company UBM, Morrell said: "There's no lower limit."

http://www.building.co.uk/news/all-government-projects-to-use-bim-within-five-years/5018349.article



#### **Related Articles**

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The legal implications of using Building Information Modelling

## Francis Maude on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2011

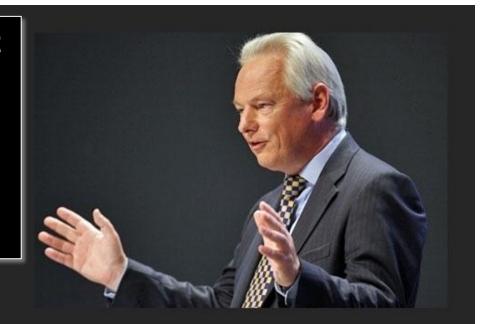


Government will require **fully collaborative 3D BIM** (with all project and asset information, documentation and data being electronic) **as a minimum by 2016**.

#### Francis Maude now in the web...

...adoption of BIM will put us at the vanguard of the new digital construction era and position the UK to become the world leaders in BIM.

Francis Maude Minister for the Cabinet Office



http://www.bimtaskgroup.org/

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## UK Government BIM has woken the industry up



**Bi**M





CabinetOffice BIS Department for Business Innovation & Skills



## Why?

## **Dear Chief Secretary**

# *I'm sorry to tell you there's no money left.*

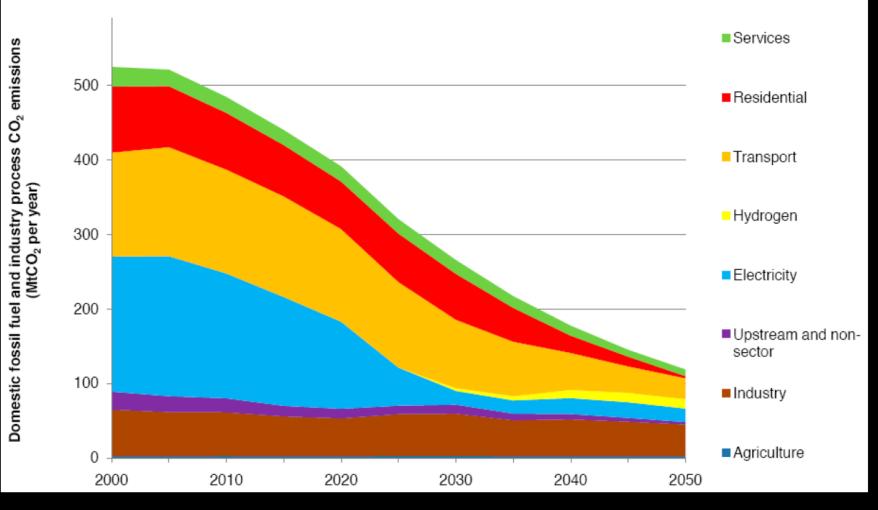


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# Whoops



# The end game



#### Source: Building a low-carbon economy, CCC

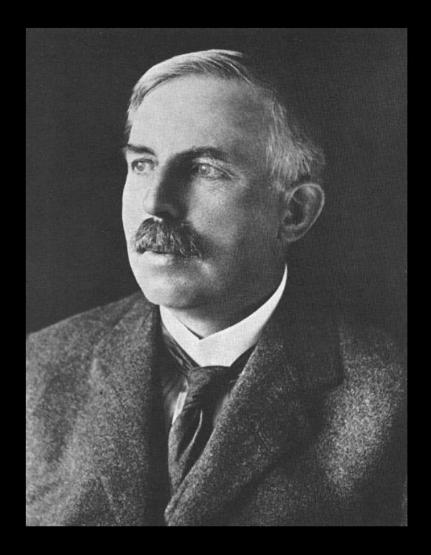
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The question which urgently needs answering is: how can the construction industry most effectively deliver a low carbon future? We haven't got the money, so we've got to think.

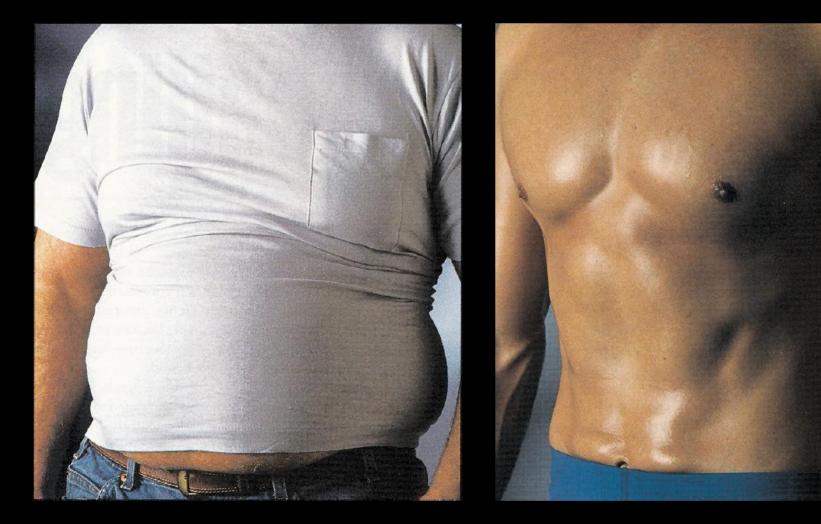
Ernest Rutherford (Baron Rutherford of Nelson)



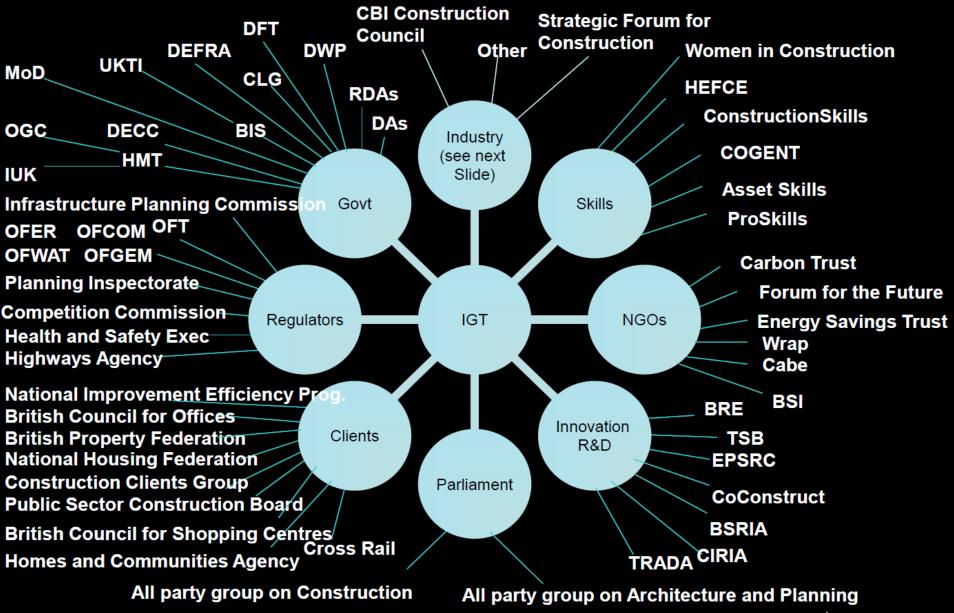


## Industry problems?

# An industry fit for purpose?



## Fragmentation

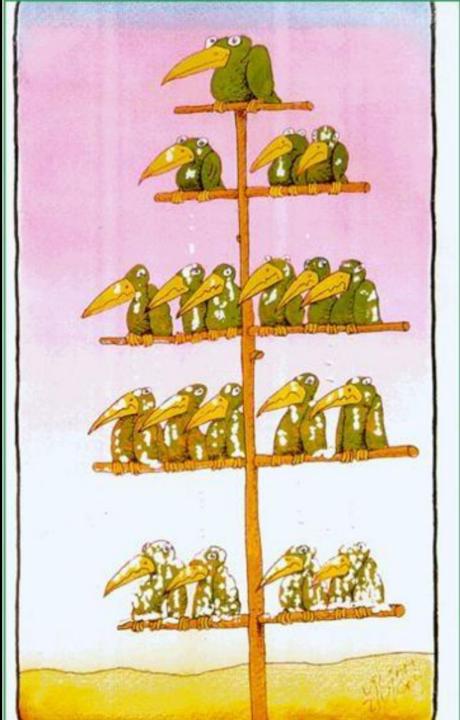


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# The silo problem

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## The hierarchy problem



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How can we persuade the industry and its clients that BIM is worthwhile?



# Innovation

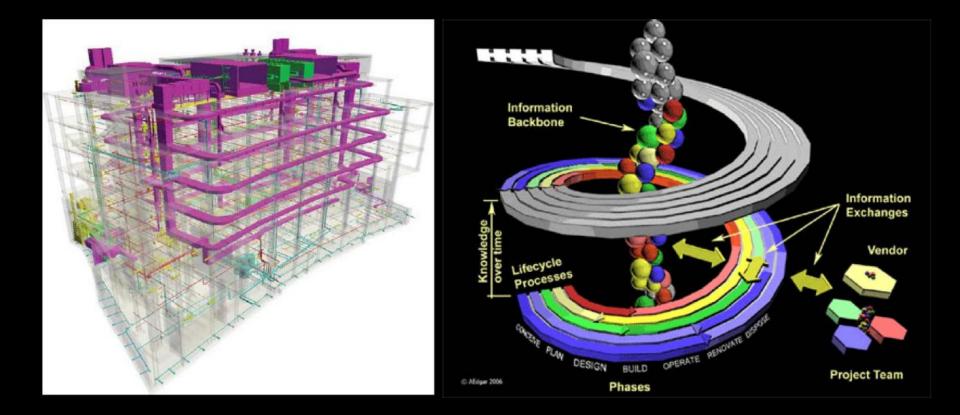
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## Integration

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## Collaboration

## **Building Information Modelling** (and Management)

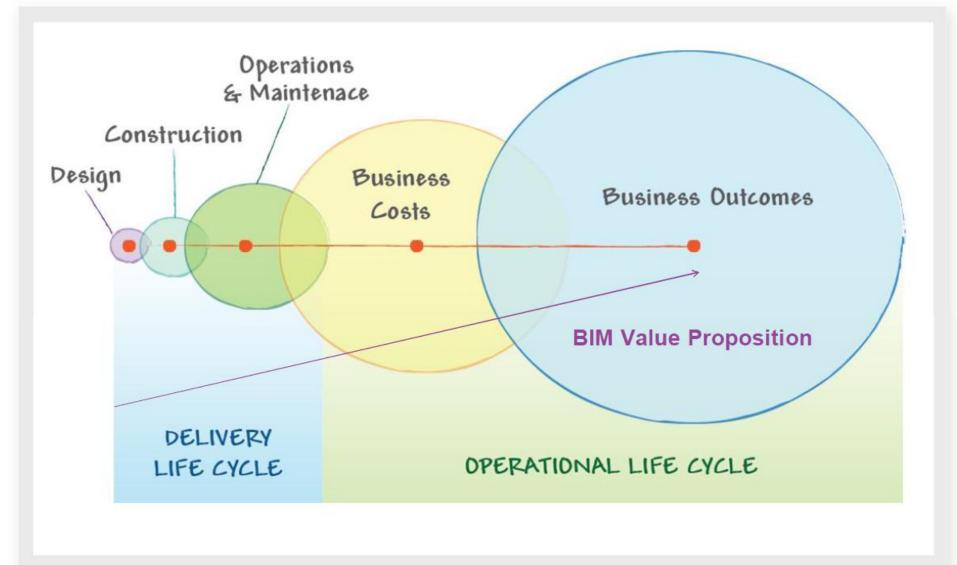




### Hypothesis

"Government as a client can derive significant improvements in cost, value and carbon performance through the use of open sharable asset information"

- 1. Valuable
- 2. Understandable
- 3. General
- 4. Non Proprietary
- 5. Competitive
- 6. Open
- 7. Verifiable
- 8. Compliant
- 9. Funded
- 10. Five Year Programme



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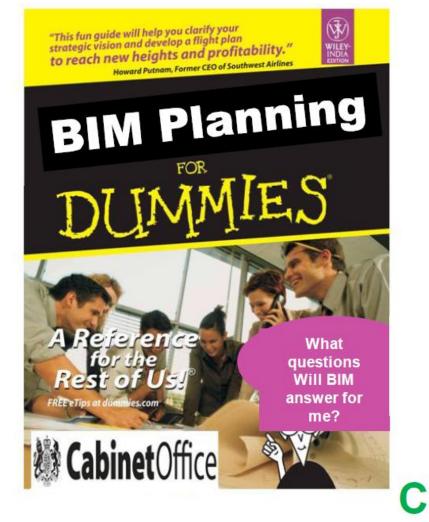




**Department for Business Innovation & Skills** 

#### **The Government BIM strategy** BIM Programme objectives and highlights



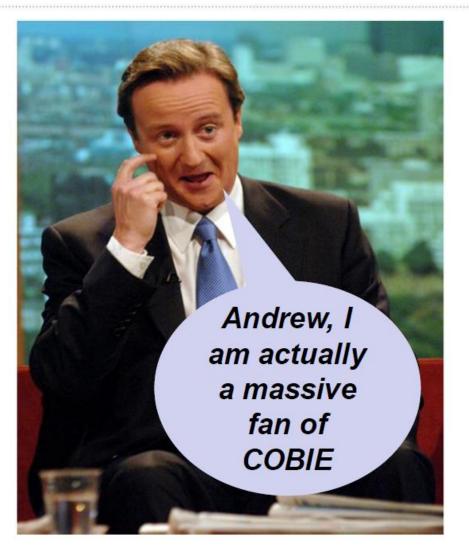


Become **Great** at Articulating **Our desired** BIM **Outcomes Clear and simple guidance** 

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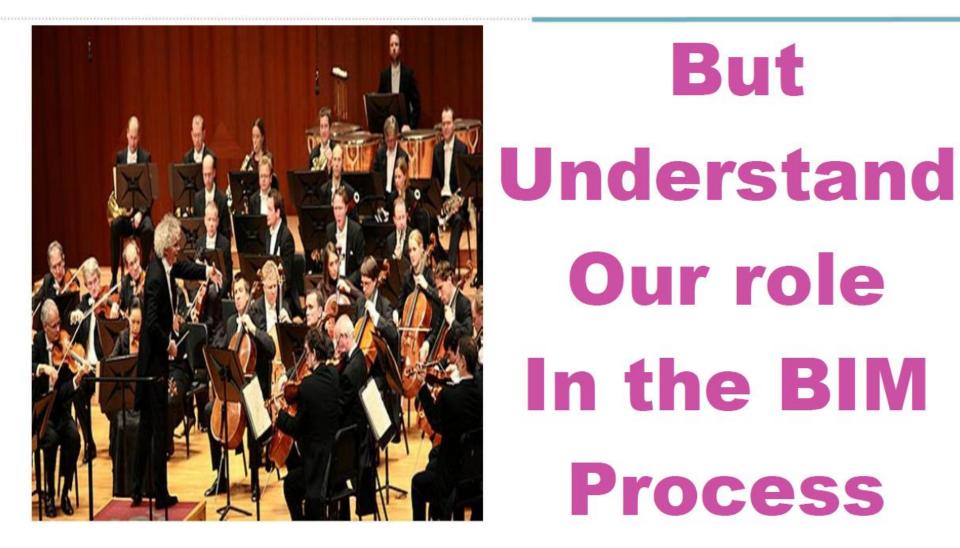


## However Not becoming a **BIM** Expert

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### What is the Strategy?

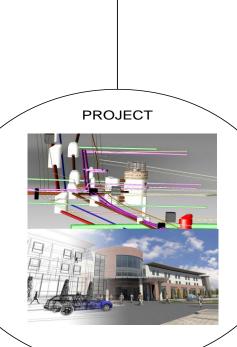
- Push (Supply Chain)
  - Early Warning to Mobilise
  - Training
  - Methods & Documentation
- Deliver Level 2 BIM by 2016

#### PUSH

How can we make it easier for the supply chain to move forward?

But not force or distort the market?

- Contracts
- Training
- Technology
- Legal's



- Pull (Government)
  - Be good in buying data (as well as assets and services)
  - Do it consistently
  - Leave the "How" to the Supply Chain

#### PULL

How do we ensure we get the information we need to operate the Asset we have bought?

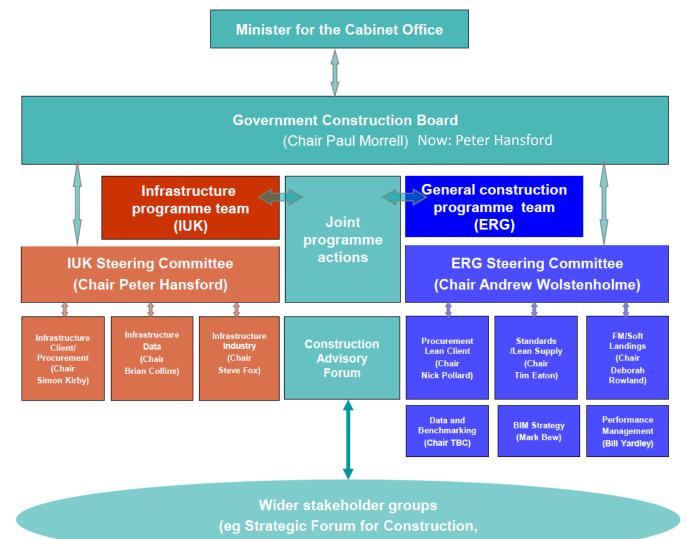
How do we gather the information we need to manage the asset?

How do we make it fair so we don't force or distort the market?

- Make it clear what we want
- When we want it
- Collect it electronically
- Keep it simple to start



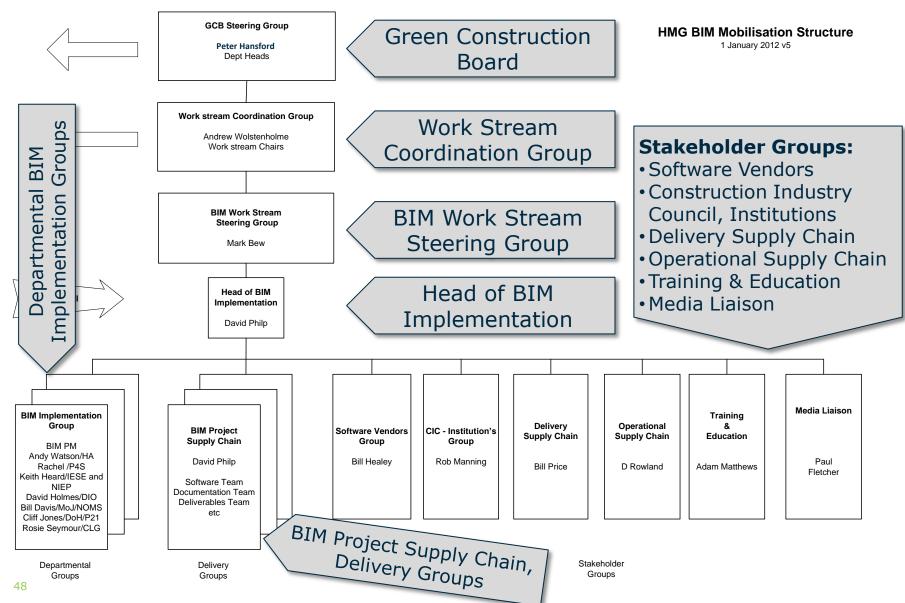
#### **Government Construction Board**



**Green Construction Board etc)** 



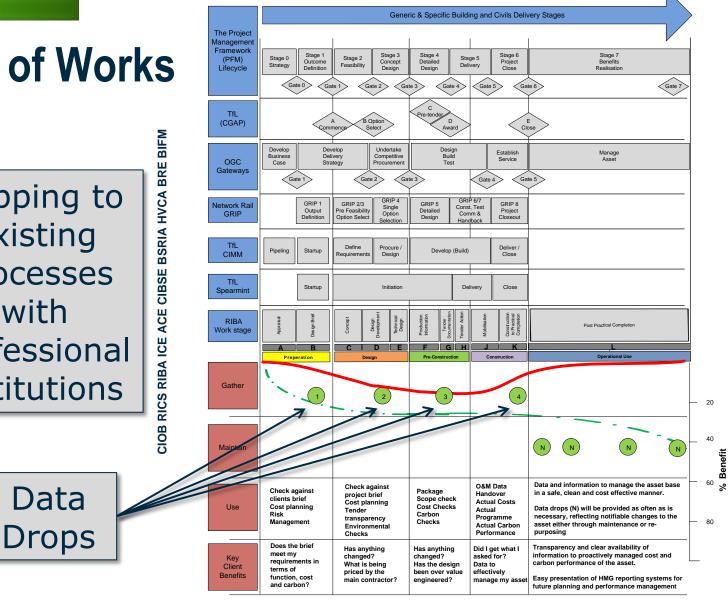
#### **HMG BIM Mobilisation Structure**



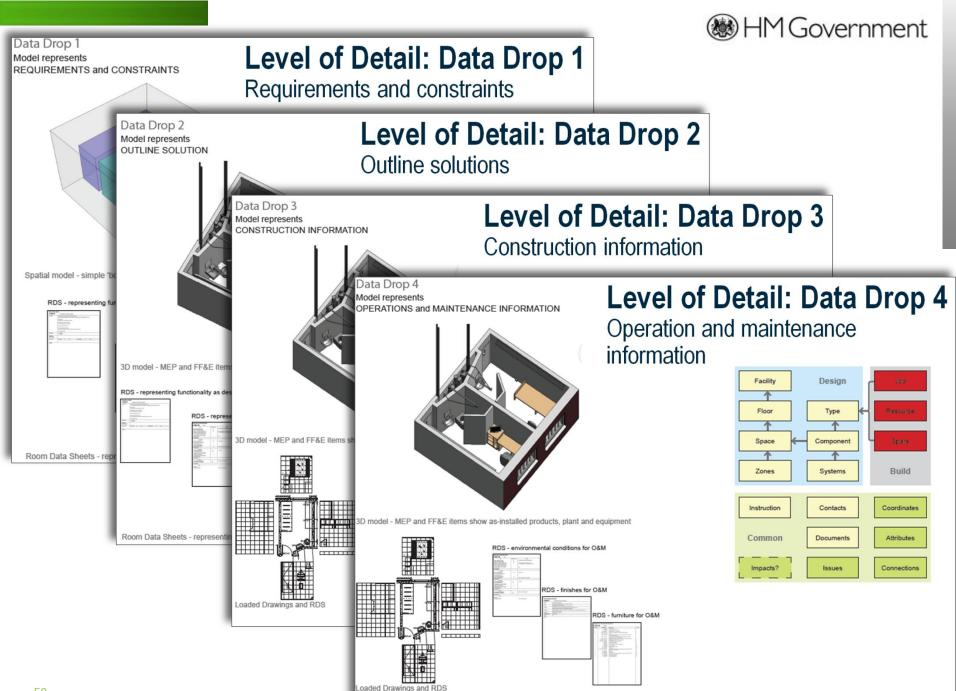
### **Plan of Works**

Mapping to existing processes with professional institutions

Data



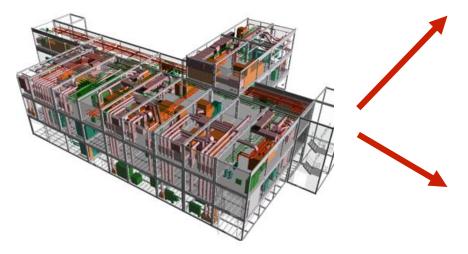


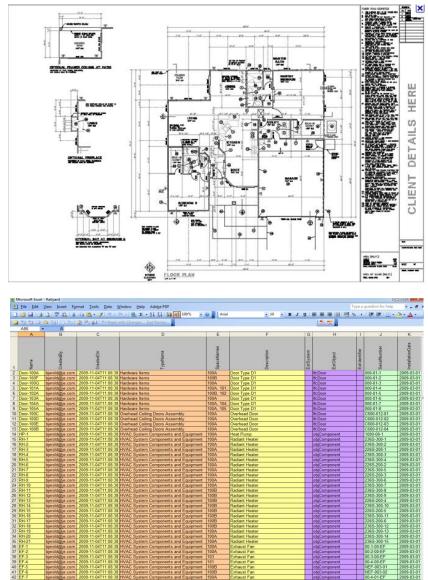




### Asset information will be required in COBie format

#### (Construction Operations Building Information Exchange)





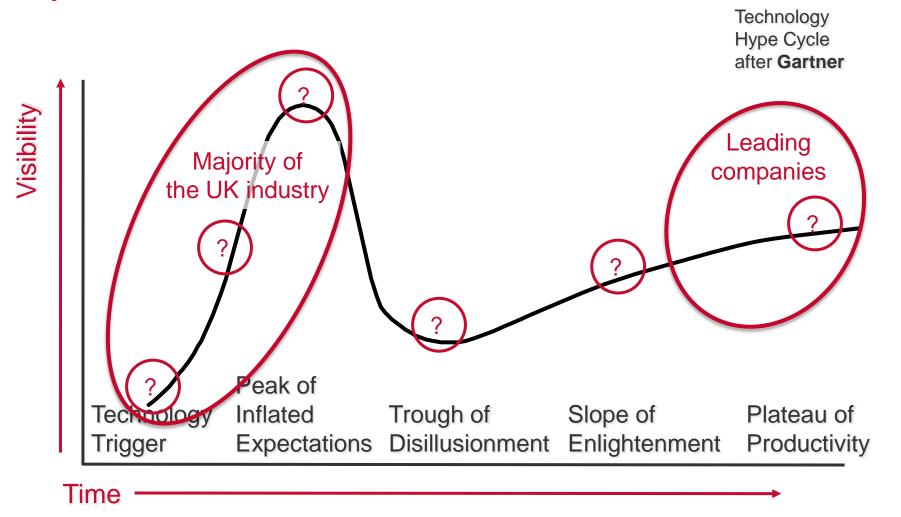


# Only ask for what you will use

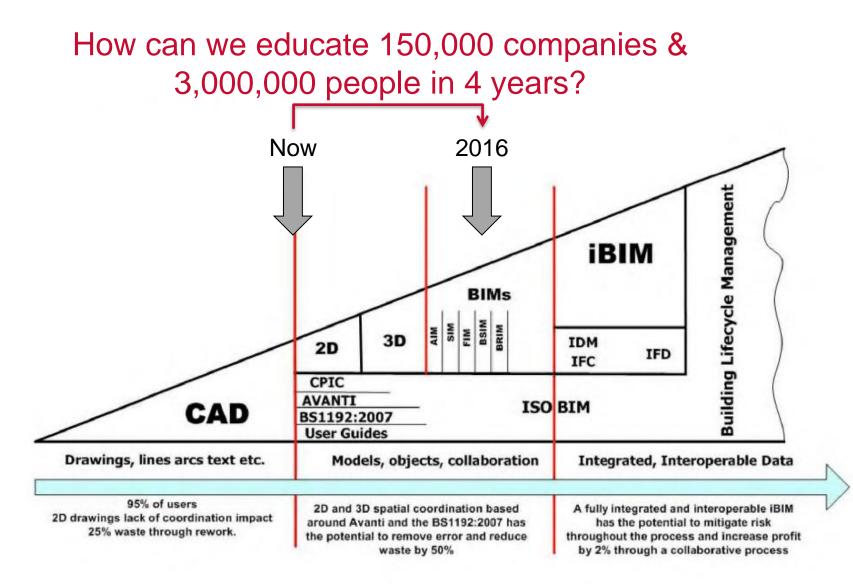


### Challenges?

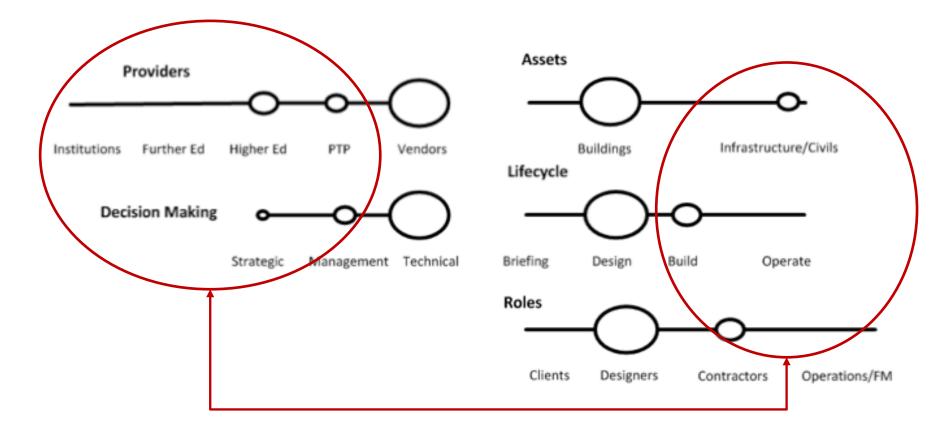
# Understanding and management of expectations



#### **BIM education**



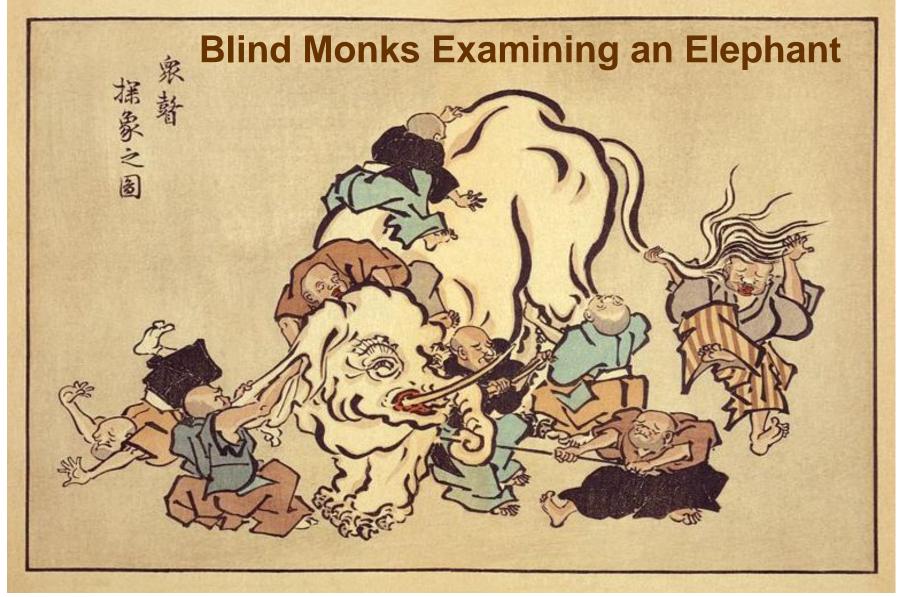
## Relative maturity/competences

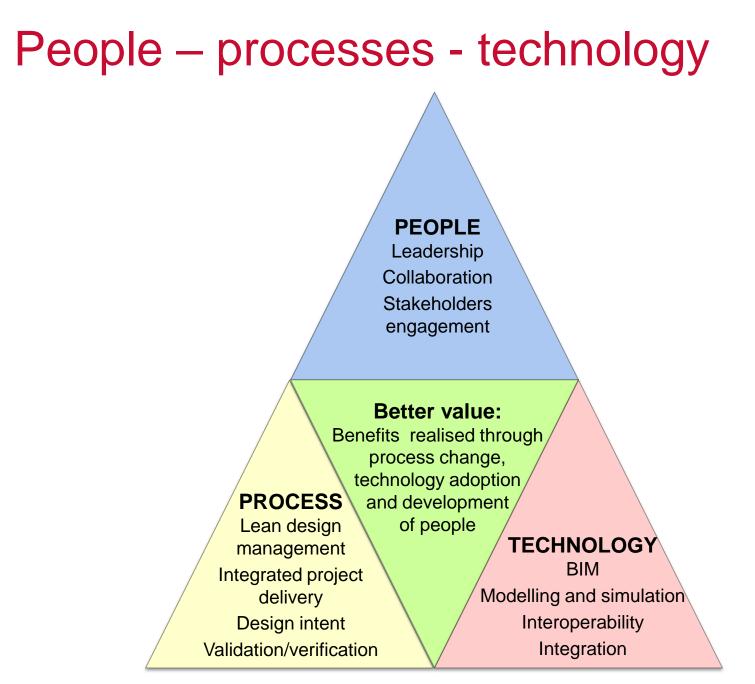


Management for value, cost & carbon improvement

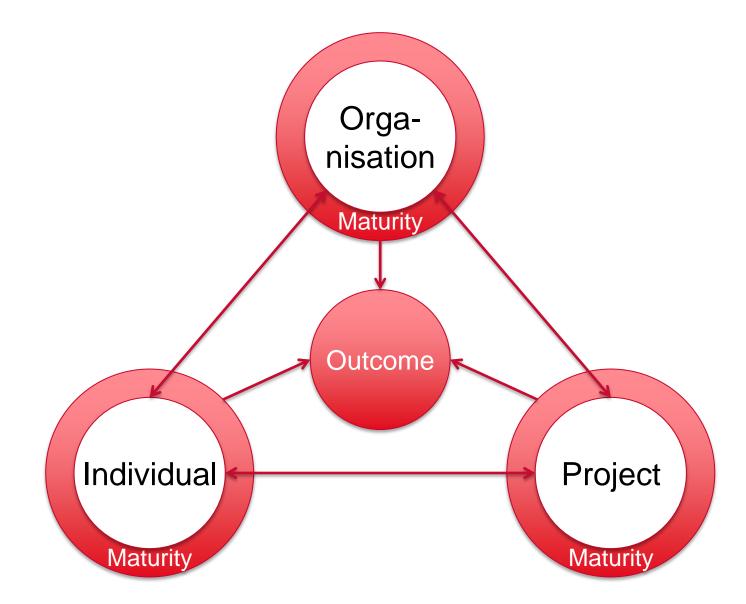
Government BIM Strategy: Improving BIM Training & Education by Adam Matthews & David Cracknell

#### Strong domain specific views

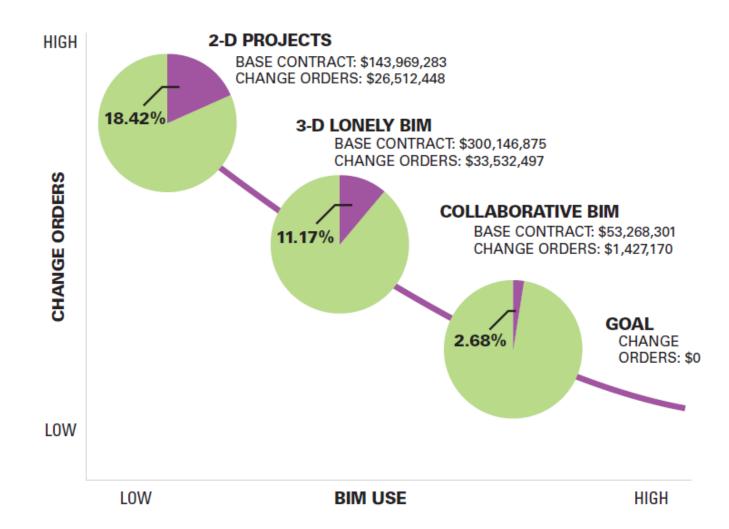




#### Maturity levels



#### Main benefits require collaboration



#### A study by J.C. Cannistraro of 408 projects Valued at \$559 million shows how, in the big picture, BIM saves money as the team gets more collaborative.

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Source: McGraw Hill: SmartMarket Report 2012

## However, just doing what everyone **must** do is not very good business...



#### ...you must also ask: What's there for me?

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#### Vision without action is a daydream. Action without vision is a nightmare.

#### Japanese proverb



# Key question: What benefits are you trying to achieve with BIM?

BIM is not a goal. It is a tool and to use a tool efficiently you must know the goal

#### One size does not fit all...



### What is your business model?

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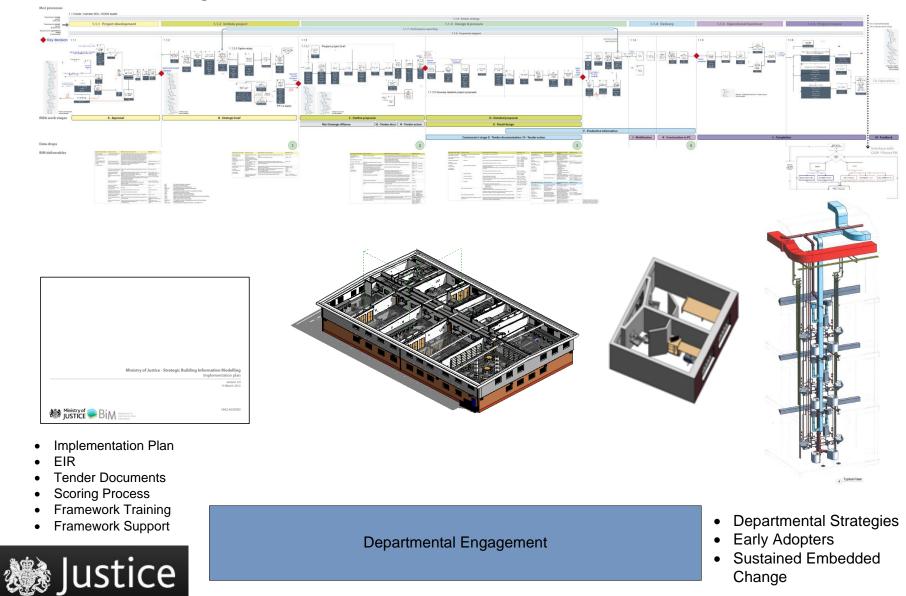


### So, where is UK now?

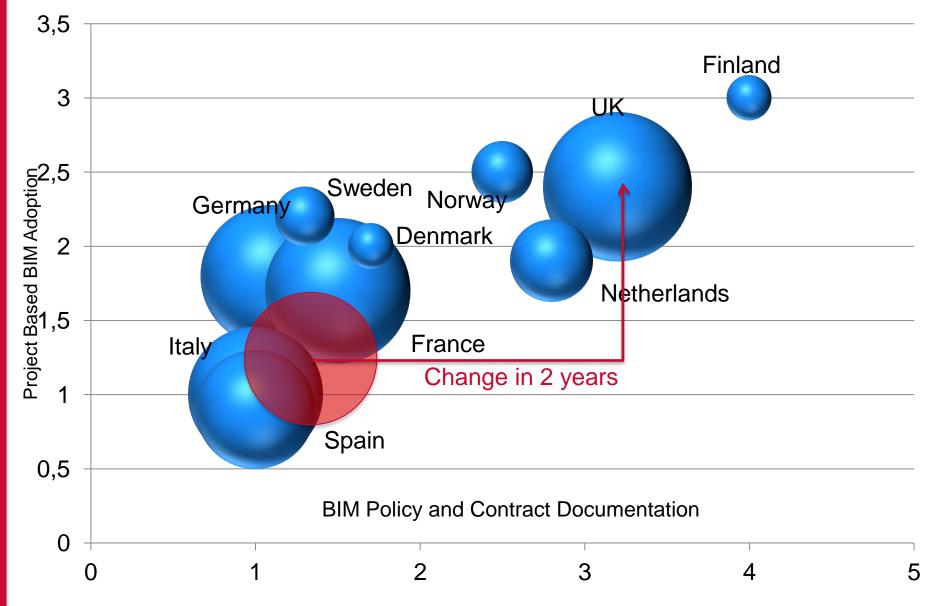
The journey has started. A lot of work has been done and is on-going, but even more has to be done...



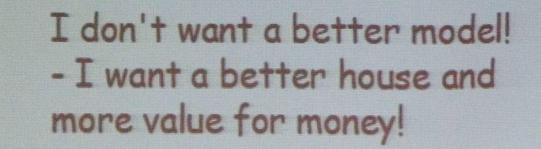
#### **Pilot projects to test requirements**



#### BIM policy stage by adoption rating - EMEA



#### BIM is a tool – not the goal!



National Agency for Enterprise and Construction, Denmark