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WHO ARE AEC GROUP?



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- International consulting firm
- Applied economic & financial analysis
- Practical experience
- Objective and independent analysis
- Effective change in many sectors
- Benefits realisation for:
 - Fleet
 - R&D
 - Infrastructure investments



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WHAT IS THE PRESENTATION ABOUT?



What's this session about?







What is benefits realisation?





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What is a benefits realisation model?

- No single approach
- Tailored to the task
- Ex ante (in planning phase)
- Ex post (after implementation)
- Identifies and values outcomes
- Measures benefits relative to no change
- Uncertainty and implications



What does a benefits realisation model look like?





WHY BOTHER?



Why bother with benefits realisation?





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- Variable track record
- Change can be expensive and disruptive
- Demonstrate the value of change
- Inform decision making
- Recognise up and downside risks
- Risk management responses
- Highlight best practice



HOW DO YOU DO IT?



What should be measured and for how long?

- What is important and what is to be achieved?
- Align to tender assessment criteria
- Measures should be:
 - SMART
 - Outcome focussed
 - Easy to access
 - Repeatable
 - Objective
- Lead indicators
- Recognise timing of obsolescence





How should impacts be valued?

- Quantitative vs qualitative
- `No change base line'
- Automated measures work best
- Convert impacts to values
- Value over appropriate period
- Recognise risks to future benefits
- Reflect time value of money and risks to cashflow



What if something changes?

- Almost certain that something will change
- Test sensitivity of expected outcomes:
 - Deterministic models
 - Stochastic models
- Some changes can be controlled
- Some changes can only be responded to
- Consider who can best manage the risks



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Outcome Driven

HOW DO YOU USE THE OUTPUTS?



How to use the outcomes – before implementation?



Redefine Tender Parameters

Prioritise Activities Risk Transfer and Responses



How to use the outcomes – after implementation?





Worked example

- AECgroup Outcome Driven
- Fleet review considering change in fleet mix
- Supported by service review to ensure new vehicles would provide similar levels of service
- Initial assessment supported the case for change
- Savings of \$6.7 million over three years
- Uncertainty over some inputs:
 - Long-term lease costs
 - Accessories and fit out
 - Fuel
 - Maintenance
 - Accident costs





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