

# Asset investment decisions that maximise value and deliver purpose

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#### **Anglian Water**

Largest water and water recycling company in England and Wales by geographic area

#### Strategic Value Manager

Best value for stakeholders through:

- Asset Investment Processes
- Investment Decision Making Frameworks Experience:
- Led AW to ISO55001 certification
- 19 years in asset management



### **Institute of Asset Management**

International professional body for whole life management of physical assets

- Chair Patrons
- Council Member
- Former chair, NxtGen





### This session

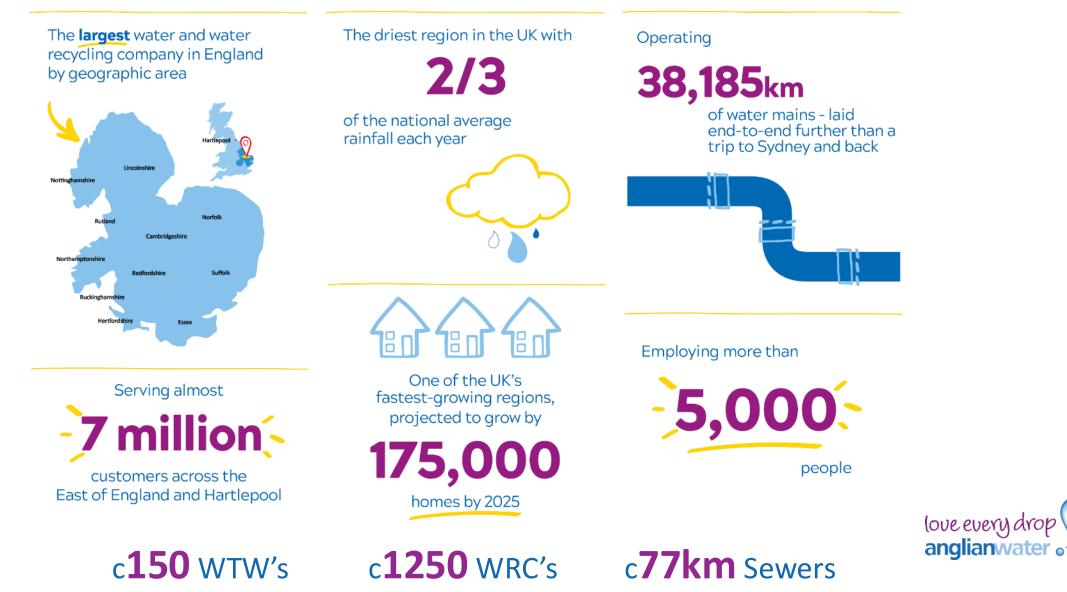
How Anglian Water considers value in the broadest possible sense in our investment decisions, to ultimately deliver our purpose.

- Intro to AW and Business Context
- What would you do?
- Value & Six Capitals
- Value Framework
- Eyes open decision making
- Prioritisation & optimisation tools
- Summary & Learning



### **Anglian Water**

#### Our purpose is to bring environmental and social prosperity to the region we serve



### **Business Context**

#### We operate in an uncertain environment...



Climate change



Pandemic



**Financial Constraints** 



**Customer Expectations** 



**Regulatory Demands** 



Population Growth



Cyber Security



Changing Markets

#### We need make our money go as far as possible... Benefitting customers, regulators, shareholders and partners



### Purpose at the heart of everything we do

In 2019 we changed our Articles of Association to become a public interest company

Our purpose is to bring environmental and social prosperity to the region we serve

#### **Directors' Duties**

A director must act in the way he or she considers, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the purpose of the company. In doing so, a Director shall have regard (amongst other matters) to:

- i. the likely consequences of any decision in the long term;
- ii. the interests of the company's employees;
- iii. the need to foster the company's business relationships with suppliers, customers and others;
- iv. the impact of the company's operations on the community and the environment;
- v. the desirability of the company maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct; and
- vi. the need to act fairly as between members of the company.

We want to deliver greatest added value in multiple areas and evidence that we're making decisions in line with our purpose

### Strategic ambitions defined in 25-year Strategic Direction Statement



### Performance commitments defined in 5-year Business Plan

Biodiversity Pollution incidents Discharge permit compliance River water quality (phosphorus)

#### Leakage

Per capita consumption Business demand Bathing water quality Customer experience Developer experience Business retailer experience Water supply interruptions Compliance risk index Customer contacts re: water quality Internal/external sewer flooding Storm overflows Mains repairs Unplanned outages Sewer collapses

#### Operational emissions Lower carbon concrete assets

### **Anglian Water**

#### **Our 5-year business plan**

By 2030, excluding inflation, average bills will cost **£1.57** per day, a rise of **21p** per day and we will...



focused on the things that customers have repeatedly told us matter most – world-class, safe, clean drinking water, protecting the environment and helping the most vulnerable customers.

#### Support all customers at risk of water poverty

(customers spending more than 5% of their household income on water bills)

Reduce pollutions and spills by increasing our waste water network by 112 Olympic-sized swimming pools.

**Double our investment** in the environment to £4bn to enable nature recovery.



Use nature-based solutions to create an area the size of **100 football pitches** of treatment wetlands, along with **52** new sustainable urban drainage systems.

**Invest £476m** to accommodate housing growth, with 700,000 more people expected to live here in the next 20 years.

Support our customers to use less water, down to around 124 litres per person per day.

We'll do our bit by reducing our already sector-leading leakage levels by a further 8% to new industry-leading lows. love eveny drop

#### Achieve a 70% reduction

+21p

in the amount of carbon we produce when delivering our projects, against our 2010 baseline.

Plan for two new reservoirs to build further drought resilience and environmental protection.

#### Renew 695km

of vulnerable pipes to futureproof our water mains and sewers against climate impacts.

#### Launch a new Medical Needs Discount,

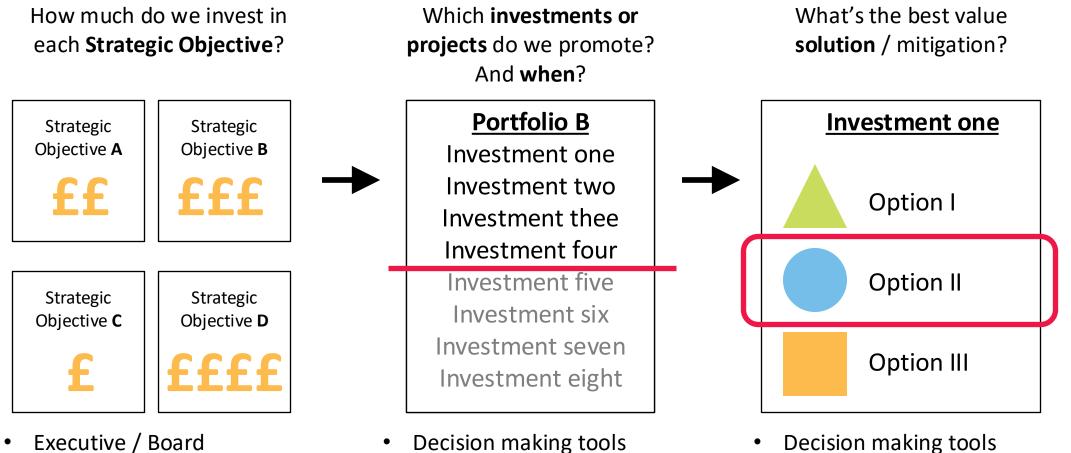
an industry-first, providing financial aid to those with specific medical needs at zero extra cost to any customer.



### There are big decisions to be made

### **Asset Investment Decisions**

#### We have lots of decisions to make...



- Executive / Board
- Current performance ٠
- Strategic ambition

Constraint considerations

Value Framework

- Decision making tools
- Value Framework
- Risk & Value processiglianwater

### What would you do

- Three properties flood on average once every two years
- This could lead to a moderate pollution incident within five years
- There's a moderate health and safety incident every year at the site

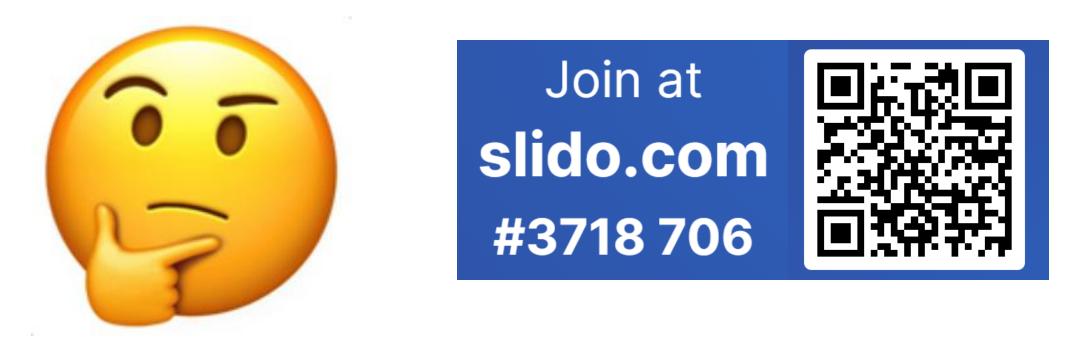
Option 1 💧	Option 2	Option 3 📩
<b>Benefits:</b> Prevents any future flooding, health and safety or pollution incidents	<b>Benefits:</b> Reduces the risk of flooding, H&S and pollution to a quarter of original levels	<b>Benefits:</b> Solves the flooding and pollution risk and halves the health and safety
	Additional benefit: improves employee productivity	Additional disbenefit: will be an eyesore in an area of natural beauty
<b>Cost:</b> £1m Capex, £0 Opex	<b>Cost:</b> £600k, £5k a year Opex	<b>Cost:</b> £250k, £25k a year Opex
Carbon: high	Carbon: low	Carbon: medium



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We'll revisit this later...

# What was the most important factor in your decision?



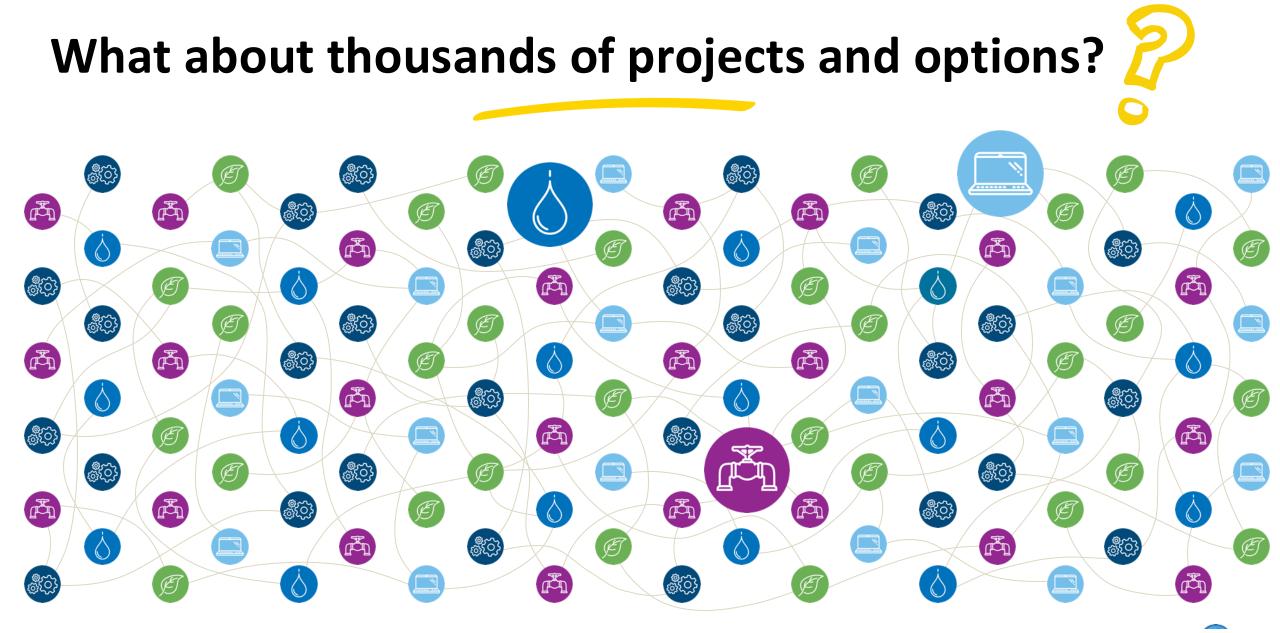


### How did you find that?









How do we choose the right projects and options, at the right time to maximise value?

### We want to maximise value... But what IS value?

Whatever is important to an organisations' stakeholders.

- It will usually include **money** and the **services** provided by the organisation.
- It can also include less tangible aspects.

"The relationship between the **benefits** and the **resources** required to achieve them"

Institute of Value Management

Income Improved service Safety Environmental Social Capex Opex Materials People / Human Resources Carbon



### Value through a Six Capitals Lens...



#### <u>Natural</u>

The **impacts we have on the natural environment** and resources, including carbon emissions.



#### <u>Social</u> The impacts we have on our stakeholders including customers and communities.



#### **Manufactured**

Our **direct products**, the ability of our infrastructure to provide **resilient services** 



#### <u>Financial</u>

**Capex and Opex** impacts. The **financial health and resilience** of the organisation including sustainable finance.



#### <u>People</u>

The **safety, happiness and wellbeing** of our people and partners



#### **Intellectual**

The **way we work**, innovation, productivity, intellectual property and information



### In Practice...



Key components that help us to make **informed decisions** and **measure benefit**...

Value Framework

Ability to measure different risks, benefits and disbenefits in a common language (£)

Eyes open decision making

that considers broader value (i.e. six capitals) alongside existing/traditional constraints (i.e. cost)

**Prioritisation & Optimisation tools** 

Promotion of **best value investment portfolios** considering numerous constraints





A Value Framework enables us to express different risks, benefits and disbenefits in a **common language** (£)



This allows us to compare the benefits of different investments or options leading to more informed, **better value decisions** 

### Value Framework

#### **Value Framework**

Natural	Social	Manufactured	nufactured Financial			e	Intellectual		
Pollution	Water Supply	Water Efficiency	Income		Health, Safety and W	/ellbeing	New/Different Ways of Working		
Category 1-4	Supply Deficit	Potable Water Leakage	Income Protection		Physical Safety (Staff		Employee Productivity		
	Interruptions to Supply	Raw Water Leakage	Renewable Gener	ation	Employee Wellbeing		Intellectual Prop	perty Utilisation	
Permit Failures & Discharges	Low Pressure	Consumption Reduction	Bioresources						
WRC Quality Compliance			Non-Domestic Inc	ome					
WRC Volumetric Compliance	Water Quality	First Time Connections	Domestic Income						
WTW Discharge Compliance	Notices	Developer Request Water			_				
	Health & Regulatory Impact	Developer Request Water Recycling	OPEX Increase						
Water Resources	Aesthetic Impact	Section 101a Request	Additional Activity	/ Indicators					
Over-Abstraction	DWI Prosecution								
Aquifer Protection		Business Enablers							
	Flooding	Information Services							
Environmental Quality	Internal								
Bathing Waters	External	Security							
River Water Quality	Public Areas	Operational Security							
Biodiversity Net Gain	Dam Failure	Cyber Security							
Air Quality									
	Customer (BAU and Construction)								
Carbon & Emissions	PR (Only for one off cases)								
Capital Carbon	Visual		Ú.	-					
Operational Carbon	Noise							63	
Process Emissions	Odour			1=_1					
	Traffic Disruption							0	
	Amenity Access					- •		•	
	Customer Experience		Natural	Social	Manufactured	Financial	People	Intellectual	
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- Service level Things customers, regulators, environment or employees would notice, not asset level. ٠
- **Developed with experts & data** >110 people across business and using industry and academic research ۲
- Inclusion of societal values factors in customer preferences through market research ۲

### Value Framework

B	aseline Questionnaire						
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AII T	ime Oct 2024 To No End Date						
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1. How many properties are affected?							
	3						
2.	How many Critical Civic Centres are affected?						

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AII T	ime Apr 2025 To No End Date						
Apr	r 2025 To No End Date 🔻						
1.	How many properties are affected?						
	3						
2.	How many Critical Civic Centres are affected?						
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3. What is the likelihood of the event?							
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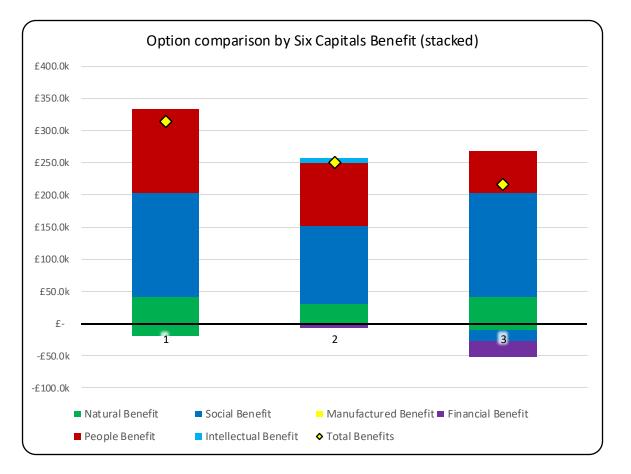
#### Value Framework

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### What would you do? - Revisited

#### Let's try again using Anglian Water's Value Framework

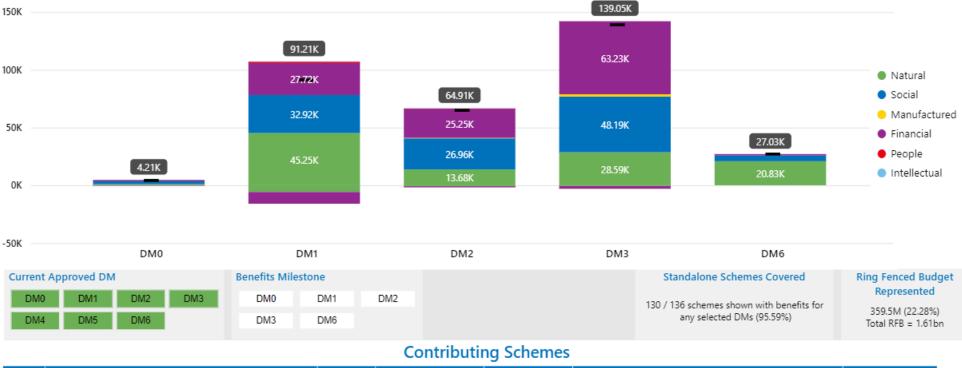
Options Summary	1		2		3		
Description		Option One		Option Two		Option Three	
Value Index		3.18		2.77		3.22	
WLC £k	£	1,000.0k	£	705.0k	£	775.0k	
Residual Position	£	18.7k	£	78.5k	£	92.5k	
Tot Benefits (excl Opex incr)	£	314.6k	£	254.8k	£	240.8k	
Capex	£	1,000.0k	£	600.0k	£	250.0k	
Opex Change	£	-	£	5.0k	£	25.0k	



Metrics and visuals enable us to make an **informed decision**, **based on value and balancing competing constraints** 

### Measuring and tracking benefits

The **benefits position** investments to be captured and **tracked** through their lifecycle... At an individual investment and **portfolio level**.



	Scheme Name	SAP Ref	C55 Ref	Portfolio Board	Portfolio	Total Net Value (£k)	
A70001	Peterborough, Potters Way Sewer Rehab	SEW-11520	1023658	WRI	WRS 06.04 SCS - Sewer Rehabilitation	19,801.03	
A70009	South Fenland WRZ to North Fenland - WRMP19 (NFN4)	WAT-07340	1015255	WRMP	WSS 02.01 WRMP & Drought	34,197.62	
A70012	Newmarket WRZ to Bury St Edmunds WRZ - WRMP19 (BHV5)	WAT-07336	1015218	WRMP	WSS 02.01 WRMP & Drought	42,451.18	

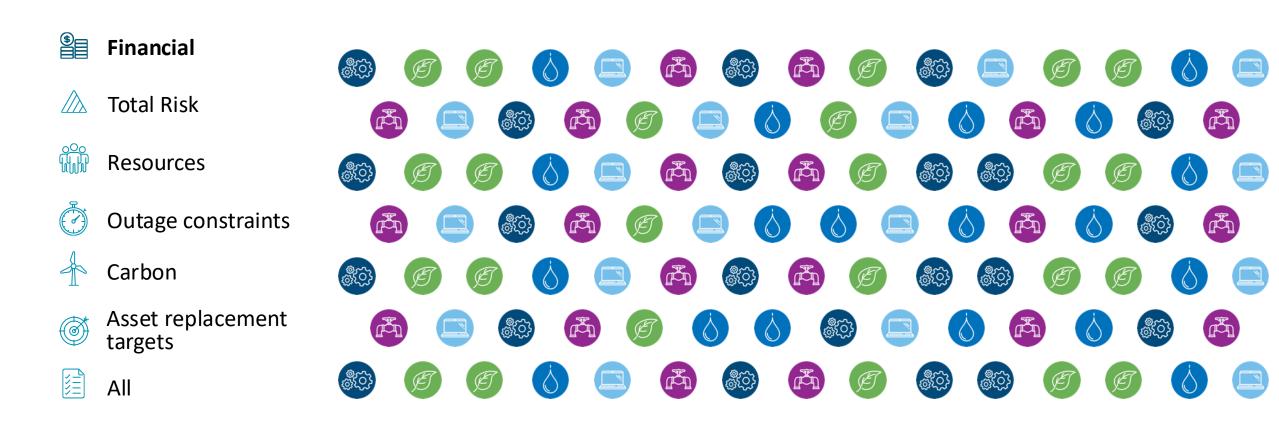
Enabling us to report on whether **our investment programme is delivering its intended benefits** and ultimately offering value for money to our stakeholders



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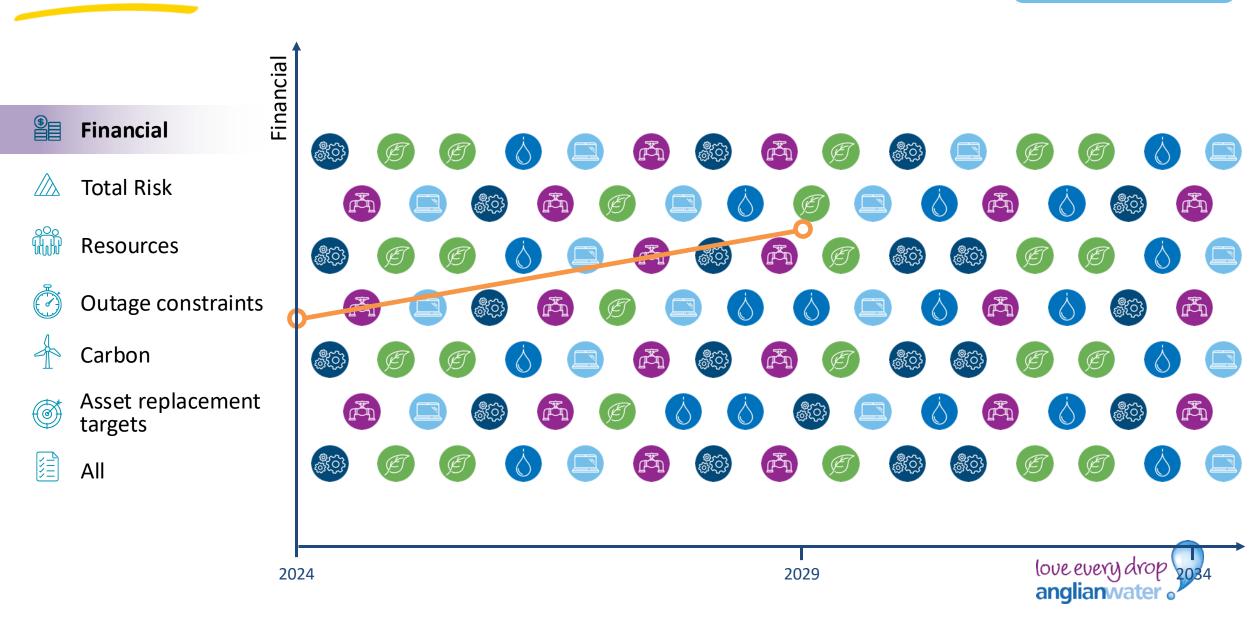
## What about Constraints and Targets for thousands of projects?

Prioritisation & Optimisation

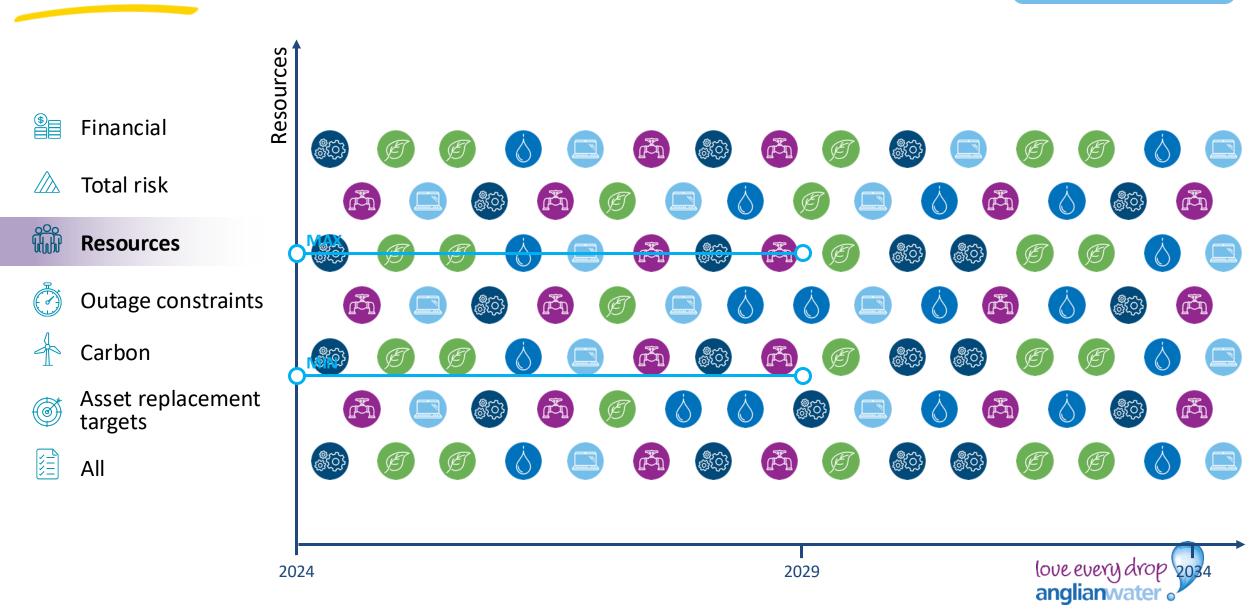


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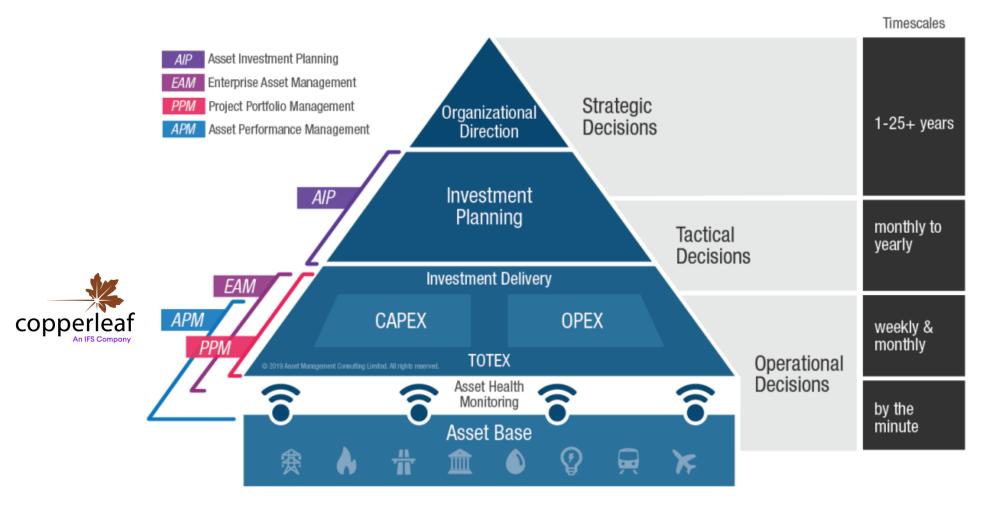
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## Copperleaf bridges the gap between strategic direction-setting and operational decision-making...



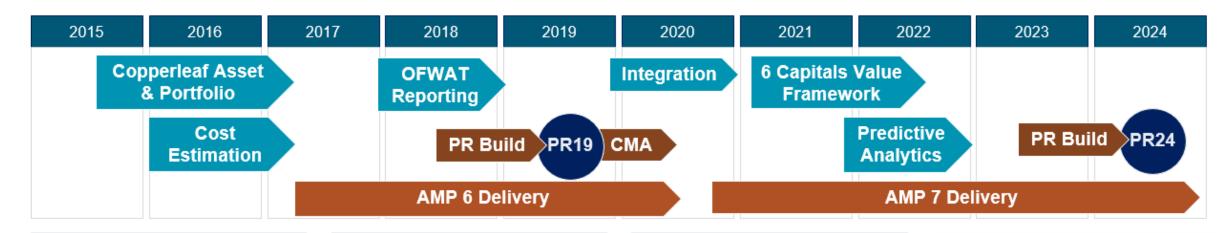
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**Prioritisation &** 

**Optimisation** 

Figure retrieved from Asset Investment Planning Solutions - A market study by AMCL+

### Copperleaf and Anglian Water have worked together over the last 10 years through 2 AMPs and 2 price reviews



#### **Copperleaf Asset**

- Integration with asset repositories (EAM, GIS)
- Infrastructure asset degradation models
- Import of non-infrastructure risk modelling

#### **Cost Estimation**

- 1,800 lifecycle cost models
- Modelling of capital, operational carbon, embodied water etc.
- Estimate approval workflows and management

#### **Predictive Analytics (PA)**

- Optimal asset lifecycle strategies given multiple intervention options
- Asset level modelling across millions of individual assets.

#### **Copperleaf Portfolio**

- Portfolio and investment hierarchy and industry leading Value Framework
- Full Investment workflows and approvals for thousands of investment projects
- Integration with enterprise systems for programme delivery

Optimise value across entire investment portfolio

Understand asset degradation

Accurately model whole lifecycle cost and carbon

Develop long-term asset strategies

### This approach gives us...

...the ability to plan and deliver **significant investment** that **maximises value** and ultimately **delivers on our purpose** through service and performance improvements



Line of sight between purpose, strategic ambition, budgets, portfolios, investments (projects) and alternatives (options). The Copperleaf Value Framework provides evidence that we're delivering on purpose



More value from our investment plan, i.e. more benefit (£50m over 5 years) within constraints leading to improved performance.



**Carbon reductions** by incorporating carbon in our costing and decision making processes and challenging our supply chain. **The company has exceeded its 2020 goals and driven down capital carbon by 61% against 2010 baselines.** 



**Supply chain benefits** – improved ability to deliver plan by alliance partners through greater visibility and certainty, built into performance frameworks



**Respond to Scrutiny** - quickly respond at a granular level on a plethora of investment criteria sets us apart from our peers and demonstrates the depth of detail in our planning process. **This would be impossible without Copperleaf** 



- 1. Remember the end goal it's easy to get lost in the details / metrics
- 2. Make it **practical** for those using it. Keep it **simple**
- 3. Buy in is crucial, at all levels, the approach needs to be credible for your organisation
- 4. Involve the 'doers' in the development as well as experts
- 5. Start with a trial area
- 6. Fully consider resource implications.
- 7. The **discussion is often more valuable** than the metric! Don't be hung up on perfect measurement
- **8.** Get started, it won't be perfect to begin with, learn fast



### Final Thought...



Low carbon, nature based solution

Natural



Climate resilient solution

Manufactured



Wellbeing improvements for staff



Involved community, schools, volunteers

#### Social



Lower operating costs (Opex)

#### Financial



Innovate design – now being repeated

Intellectual



# Thank you





#### Unleashed recommendations for EAM and AIP customers

#### Wednesday

16:00 - 16:30

Optimizing Capital Allocation with Copperleaf

(Theatre 2)

Thursday 12:00 – 12:30

Preventive, predictive, prescriptive:

(Theatre 1)



