RDP Supply Chain Lean Awareness

Workshop 20/03/23



Lean in construction



History



62 weeks



LEAN CONSTRUCTION INSTITUTE UK

Ford

1913 Henry Ford assembly line 1930 Empire State Building 1949 Prof. E. Deming PDCA

TOYOTA

1993
Term 'Lean
Construction'
first used

1870 Chicago Meat Packing

Flowline – work moves not the person

1931 Hoover Dam – Gantt charts



1945 Toyota JIT system



Taiichi Ohno (1912 – 1990)

1990 Last Planner system

Known as Collaborative Planning

Building Business Improvement

Need for Lean in construction

How would you like to work on a project that has......

- Poor communication / mixed messages
- Ever changing priorities
- Rework and snags
- Conflict between different contractors
- Overly complicated processes
- Unrealistic timeframes to complete activities
- Pressure to reduce costs and labour





Voice of the customer

Lean can help us achieve customer satisfaction, but who is the customer?

- The client
- The principal contractor
- The follow on trade / contractor
- The suppliers
- The end user
- The public





Implementing Lean

If you have already started on a Lean journey or are planning to, what was the reason?

- The client told us we had to
- It's part of our contract



Or

To improve our business and become more profitable

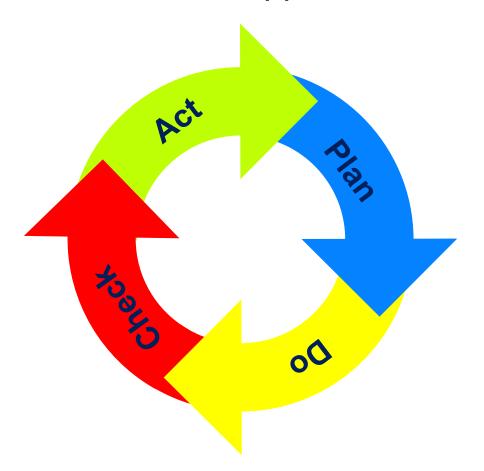




Frameworks for improvement

PDCA is a simple tool that can be applied to all aspects of

construction







Frameworks for improvement

DMAIC is a data driven structured improvement methodology



- Plan Project
- Gather the Voice of the Customer
- Plan for Change





MEASURE

- Document the Process
- Collect Baseline data
- Narrow project focus





ANALYZE

- Analyze Data
- Identify Root Cause
- Identify and Remove Wastes





IMPROVE

- Generate Solutions
- Evaluate Solutions
- Optimize Solutions
- Pilot
- Plan and implement





CONTROL

- Control the **Process**
- Validate project benefits



What can it achieve?

Government

Issues – low productivity, weekly delays, lack of clarity.

- 30% productivity improvement -Kitting solution of all parts & all information to supporting members deployed
- 2 Weeks Early completion simplified project management & control system



Infrastructure

Issues – milestones not being met, productivity increase needed.

- 28% reduction in ring build times Implemented process improvements, now meeting stretch targets
- 23% reduced excavation times Reduced downtime so stretch targets met and maintained.



Residential

Issues – weekly activity counts needed to improve (PPC)

- £2.5 million cost avoidance
- 31% increase in weekly activity completion - improved from 55% to 86%
- 3 weeks saved from critical path through supply chain improvements on steelwork deliveries





Three-pronged approach

People – change behaviours, build teamwork, develop skills and embed an improvement mindset at all levels

Process – apply World Class Production practices blended with Construction best practices.

Performance – tackle opportunities to reduce programme durations, reduce risks and embed routines

- ✓ Programme certainty & betterment
- ✓ Productivity & quality improvement
- ✓ Reduce costs & risks
- ✓ Improved sustainability measures



Lean tools and techniques



Lean tools and techniques

Think of the tools and techniques as a tool box – you need to select the correct tool for the job. The key tools are –

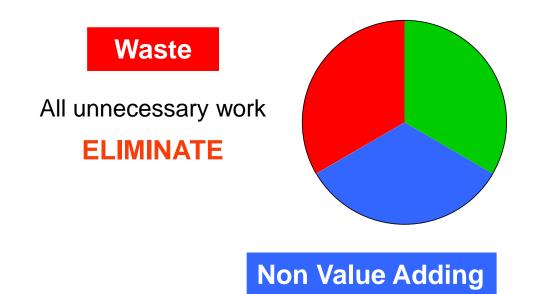
- 7 Waste
- 5S Workplace Organisation
- Collaborative Planning
- Visual Management
- Standard Work
- Problem Solving



Data and Go-Look-See will let us know which is the most important job we should be working on.



What is work?



Any work carried out, which is necessary under current conditions but does not increase value e.g. inspection, material movement, setting out, scaffolding, computer start up

MINIMISE

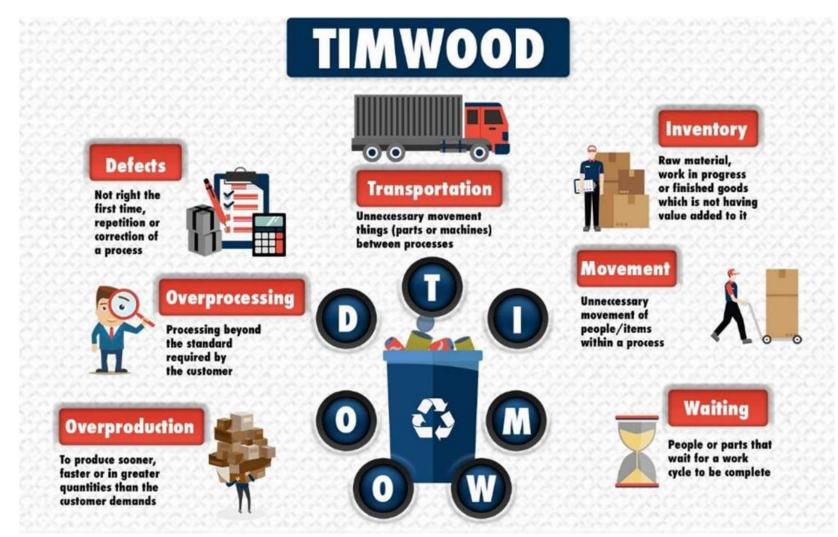


Any work that changes the nature, shape or characteristics, in line with customer requirements e.g. concrete pour, façade install, bricklaying

MAXIMISE



7 Waste

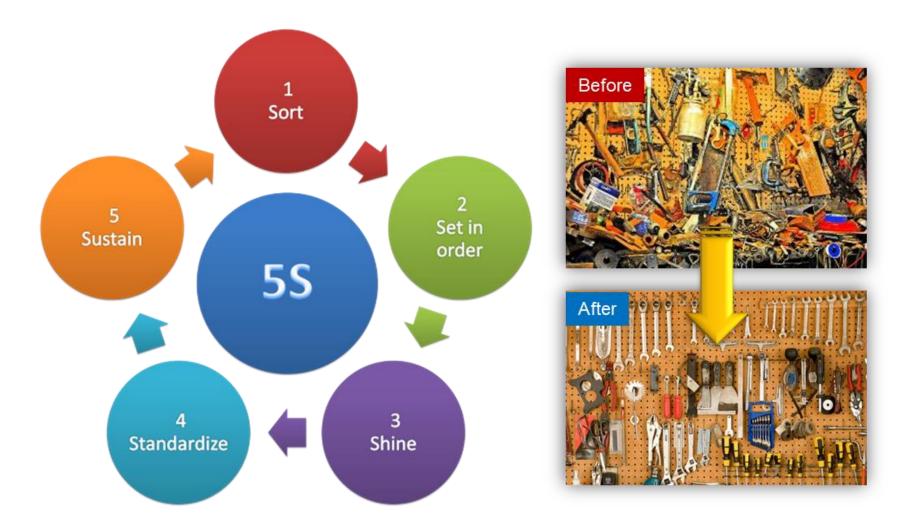




The 8th Waste
Underutilising
people's skills,
talent and
knowledge



5S Workplace Organisation





5S Examples





Collaborative Planning

The collaborative planning system helps us to -

- Deliver better value to the customer to increase satisfaction
- Remove waste from work processes to reduce time and cost
- Increase programme certainty
- Visualise programme
- Align all involved
- Identify opportunities





How processes link together

By linking our master schedule, collaborative planning and DABs processes we ensure clear, aligned and focussed communication across the project





Visual Management

Make the site talk to you! Good visual management needs no interpretation and provokes the correct reaction to an issue







Control rooms

The aim of control rooms and review meetings are to -

- See the current project situation at a glance
- Expose the key issues across the project
- Drive the right actions that improve project performance









Standard Work





Standard work is the process of removing variation, the aim is to achieve customer satisfaction, every time, through effective management of workplace methods



Standard Work





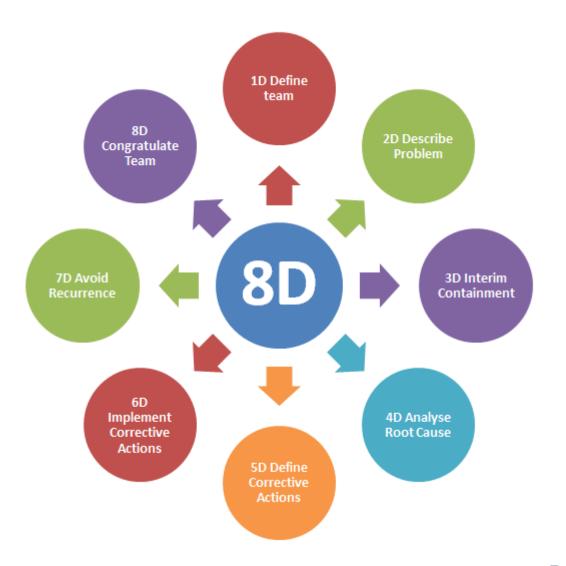


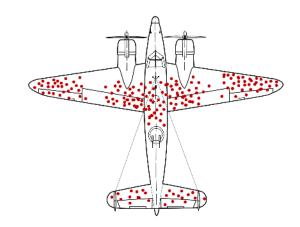
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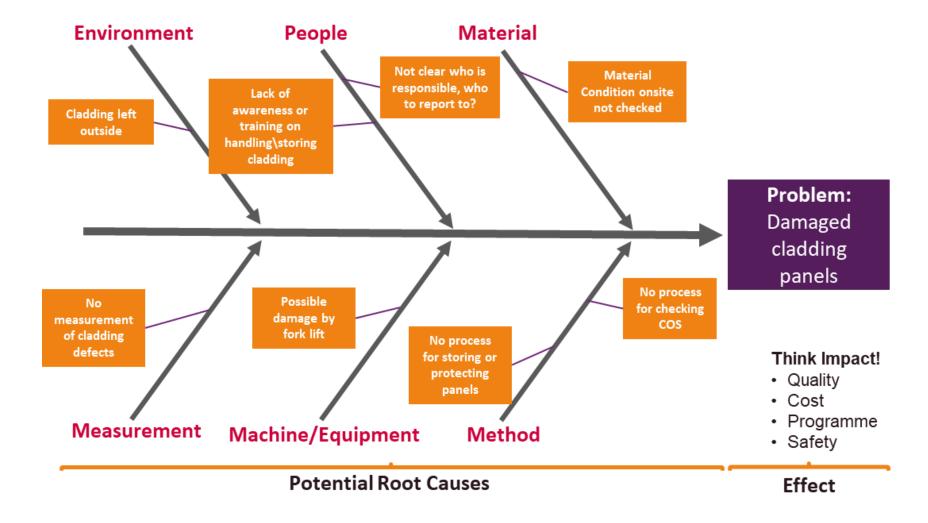
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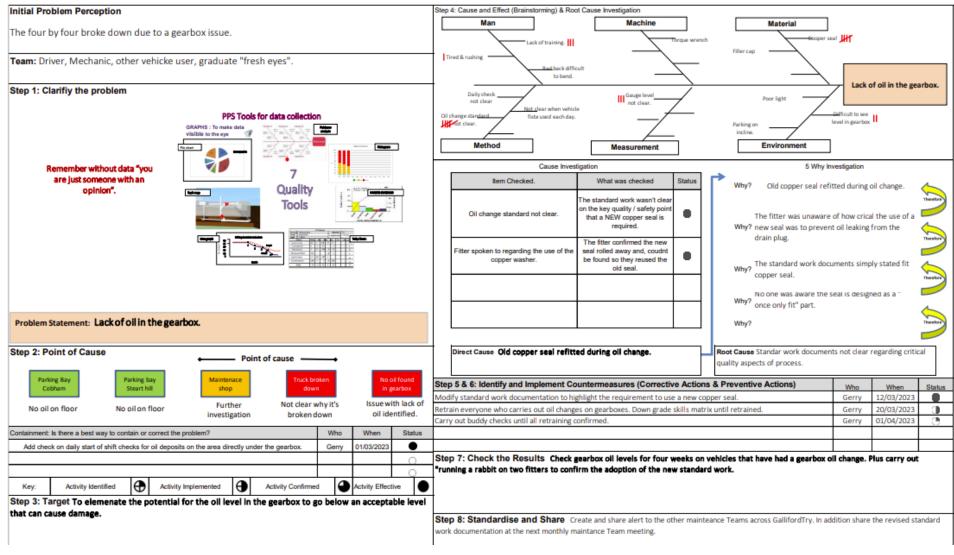


Practical problem solving





Problem solving example

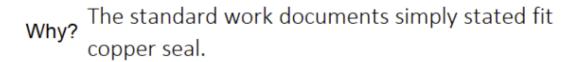




5 Why example

Why? Old copper seal refitted during oil change.

The fitter was unaware of how crical the use of a Why? new seal was to prevent oil leaking from the drain plug.



Why? No one was aware the seal is designed as a " once only fit" part.

Why?











Applying the tools in practice

People

Business improvement training (Lean tools and techniques)

- **Funded using CITB levy**
- **Specific improvement activities** leading to ROI
- Personal development benefits for participants
- Supported by onsite business improvement specialist

Improvement Foundation Modules Modular & onsite or offsite digital delivery approach:

Complete all modules within a programme (2 per day)



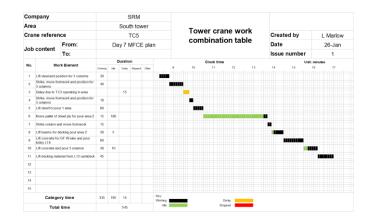
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Process

Improve productivity & effectiveness of processes

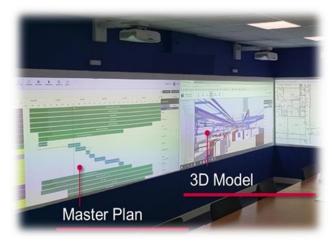
- Façade offsite window installation labour requirements
- **Facade onsite installation** productivity - critical path activity
- Tower crane utilisation
- Collaborative planning
- Fit-out sequence process mapping to reduce lead time



Performance

Improved performance management to achieve milestones

- **PPC** improvement
- Control room
- Problems solved in advance collaborative planning, make ready needs
- Performance culture & routines embedded





Spirits of improvement

- 1. Challenge all the fixed ideas
- 2. Do it now! No excuses
- 3. Use your wisdom, not money!
- 4. Get to the root causes by asking 'why?' five times
- 5. Improvement is infinite, better is not good enough

