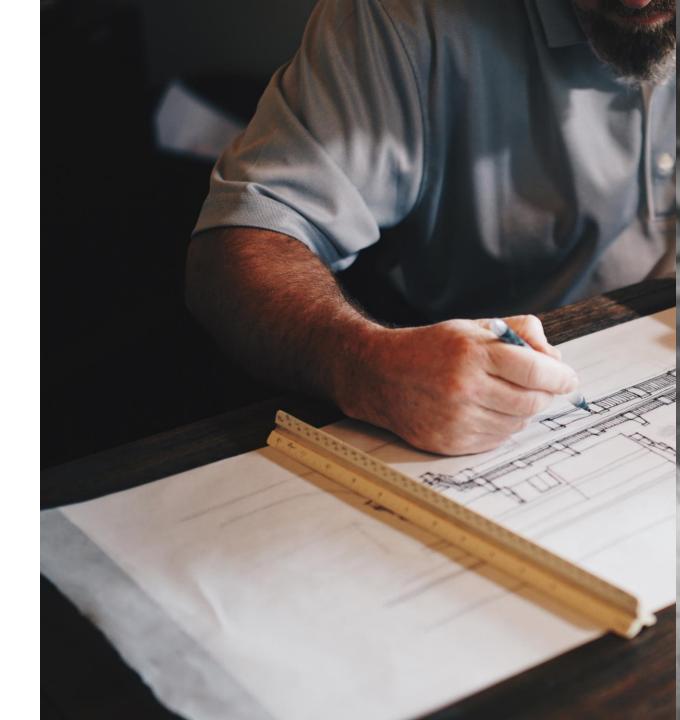


## Motivation to Work with Lean

When a business case is not enough

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# Business case

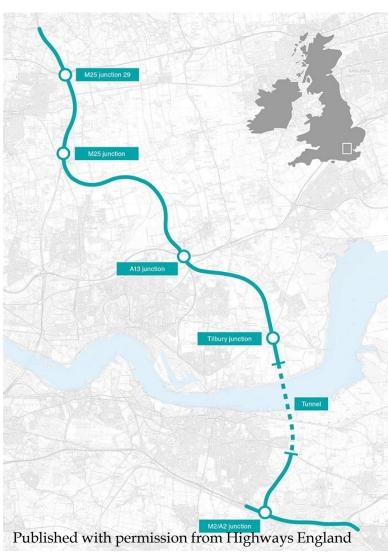






# Extrinsic motivation Intrinsic motivation Sense making





# **Lower Thames Crossing**

- Most ambitious road scheme in the UK linking Kent, Thurrock and Essex
- £5.3-£6.8bn estimated cost
- 14.5 miles of dual-3 lane expressway
- Over 50 new bridges
- One of the world's largest bored tunnels
- Longest road tunnel in the UK
- Open for traffic in 2027
- Currently in preliminary design



#### **Survey:**

- 260 recipients
- 167 completely filled out
- 60% response rate

#### **Key Questions:**

- Knowledge of Lean
- Motivation to work with Lean
- Demotivation to work with Lean

#### **Observations**

Lean Assessments, Lessons Learned:

- Randi Christensen PhD, COWI, Lean Manager on Case project
- Stephen Greenhalgh BSc, Lean Manager Highways England

Support and critique:

Anja Thomassen PhD, Associate Professor,
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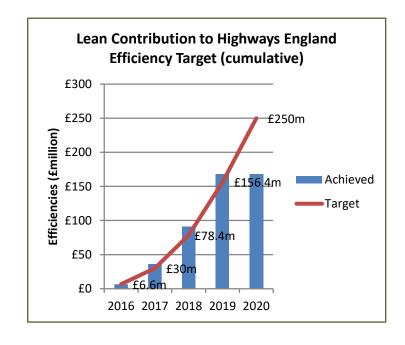


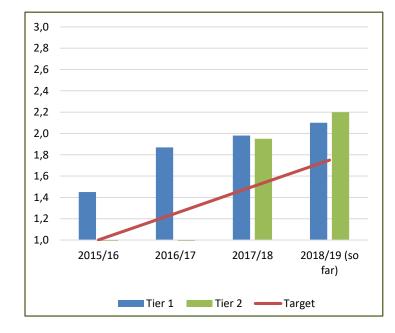
### Motivation mechanisms from Highways England

Efficiencies

Lean Assessment

Support and knowledge sharing

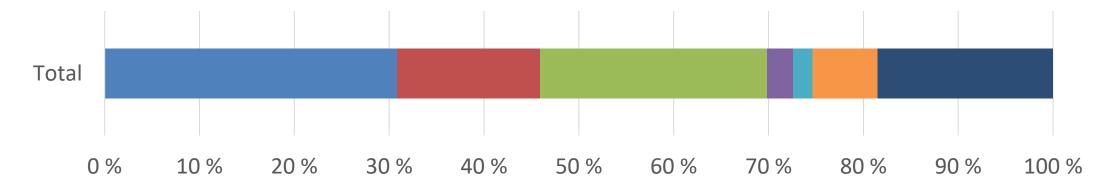




- Network
- Knowledge sharing
- Coaching
- Training
- Friendly support when needed



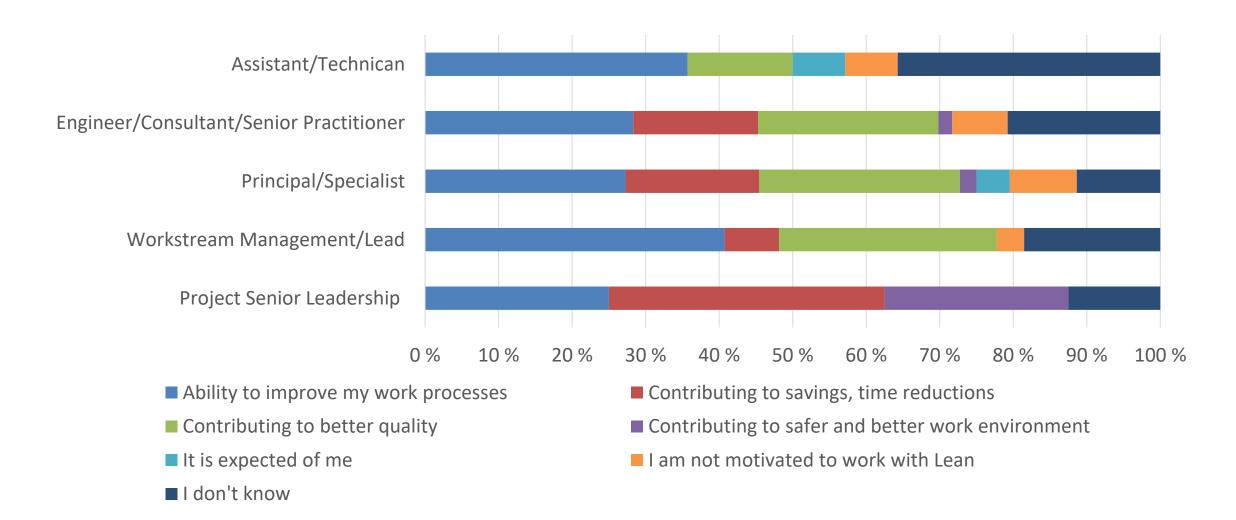
### Motivation to work with Lean



- Ability to improve my work processes
- Contributing to savings, time reductions
- Contributing to better quality
- Contributing to safer and better work environment
- It is expected of me
- I am not motivated to work with Lean
- I don't know

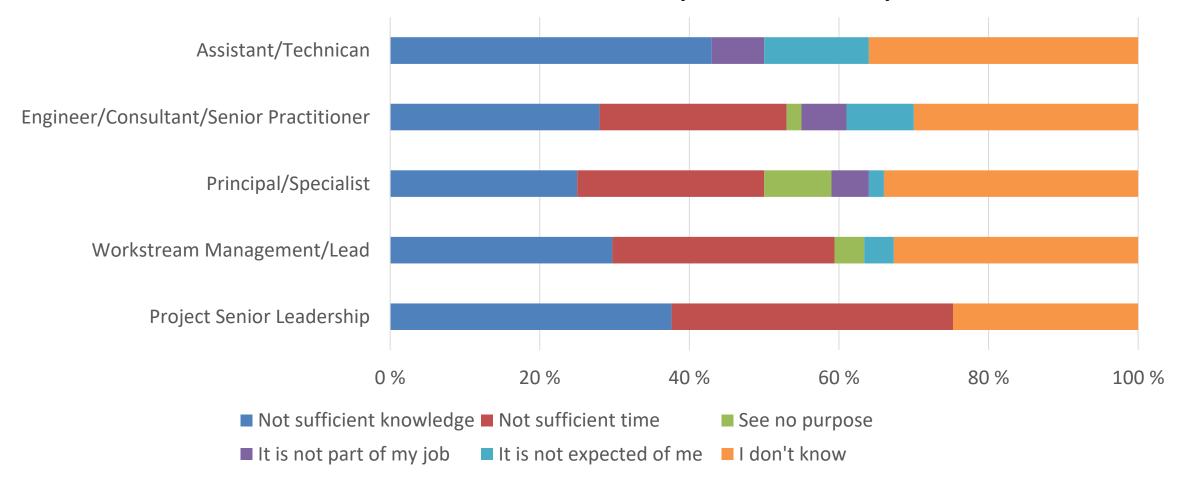


### Motivation to work with Lean





### De-motivation to work with Lean (hindrance)





### Conclusion

- Motivation depends on perspective and position
  - Extrinsic motivation has most impact on senior managers
  - Intrinsic motivation seems to have most influence on the rest of the organisation
- Highways England employs both extrinsic and intrinsic motivating through:
  - Contractual demands
  - Efficiency targets
  - Lean assessments
  - Support and training
- Too much focus on extrinsic incentive measures can inhibit creative problem solving and engagement with Lean.