

DfMA Alliance & CITAC Technical Conference THE CHALLENGES OF IMPLEMENTING DFMA

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The Challenges of Implementing DfMA

- The dynamics
- The new approach
- The challenges of an early adopter
- Lessons learnt over the last 10 years
- Now
- Next steps



The Dynamics



The Pull
Modern methods of construction
The Push

Failure of traditional contracting methods

The Leadenhall Building Commercial. London

The New Approach:

- A catalyst for change
- Four key areas
 - Culture
 - Technology
 - Commercial
 - Funding

Alder Hey Children's Hospital Healthcare. Liverpool

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Culture:

- Existing roles and relationships will change
- Focus on working collaboratively
- Site becomes a process of logistics and assembly
- New roles and responsibilities
- More process driven

Clarges Residential. London



Technology:

- Digitally driven BIM will become BIM+
- More sophisticated design tools
- Virtual construction
- Clash detection in collaborative model
- Product lead design
- Should lead to interchangeable solutions. The UK Government's p-DfMA

Metrolink Infrastructure. Maricheste

Commercial Structure:

- Payment flows are differentManufacturing needs earlier
- commitments on payment
- Manufacturers and specialist suppliers working at same level as project integrators
- The future: collaborative working with alliance based payment of costs with margin paid on a shared basis

A453 Infrastructure. Nottinghamshire

The need for change:

• Top 25 tier one contractors in UK are posting an average pre-tax margin of 0.2%

Canary Wharf Crossrail Infrastructure. London

As an early adopter LOR challenges:

- Huge investment in manufacturing capability and R&D circa £150m
- Despite the vision, investment and empowerment from our owner huge challenges
- Culture internal and external
- A need for design and technical guides
- Digital challenge
- R&D
- Exemplar projects
- Due to bespoke nature of projects R&D carried out "on the job"

Two Fifty One Residential London

Progress in last 10 years:

Changed the culture

- Wrong behaviours you left the business
 - Reduced number of professional service providers to the "fewest best"
 - Enhanced our digital
 - engineering capability
 - Build it twice once virtually once on site
 - More process driven
 - Product lead design

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DfMA (70:60:30) Design for Manufacture and Assembly

70% of construction is conducted off-site

60% improvement in productivity

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30% improvement in the project schedule

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Next Steps Advanced Manufacturing Facility

Plans for the AMF go far beyond the achievements of the current facility, with far higher robotic content planned for a fully automated production process.

Planned Investment £200M 800 new jobs 42,000m² factory 10,000 dwellings annually

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Products designated Designed for Advanced Manufacturing (DfAM 95:80:60) will meet new standards for productivity and off-site manufacture

95% of super structure is precision-engineered and pre-assembled 80% improvement in productivity

XD

60% improvement in programme to erect superstructure 13

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Once ramped up, 10,000 homes will leave the factory annually

Homes will have all mechanical, electrical, and plumbing elements installed, checked and tested

'Plug-and-play' site installation

Unparalleled levels of quality – 'near defectfree'



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