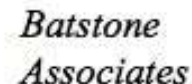


# *Activating water sensitive urban design for New Zealand*

## *WELCOME TO THE CHRISTCHURCH WORKSHOP!*

Building better homes towns and cities science challenge

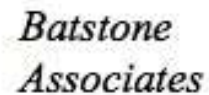


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# About us ... the research team



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# principles of engagement

# About you ... the WSUD community

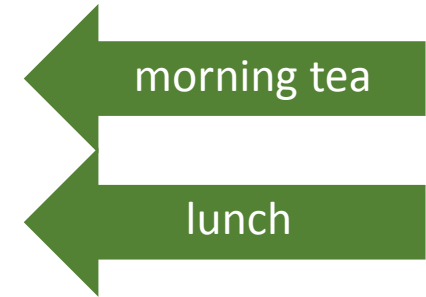
- your name
- your role and organisation
- how involved have you been in WSUD over the last few years?
  - scale of 1-5
  - 1 = hardly at all
  - 5 = extensively
- your burning WSUD issue: 20 words

Your photos: the good, the bad, the ugly

*wall of fame*

# Programme

- why has this research been funded? Overview
- why have this workshop? Purpose
- what did you tell us? Survey
- walking tour
- debrief
- implementing WSUD – where do we stand?
- working groups: what are the barriers to becoming a water sensitive city?
- wrap up: what we've done today
- where to from here?
- close at 3pm

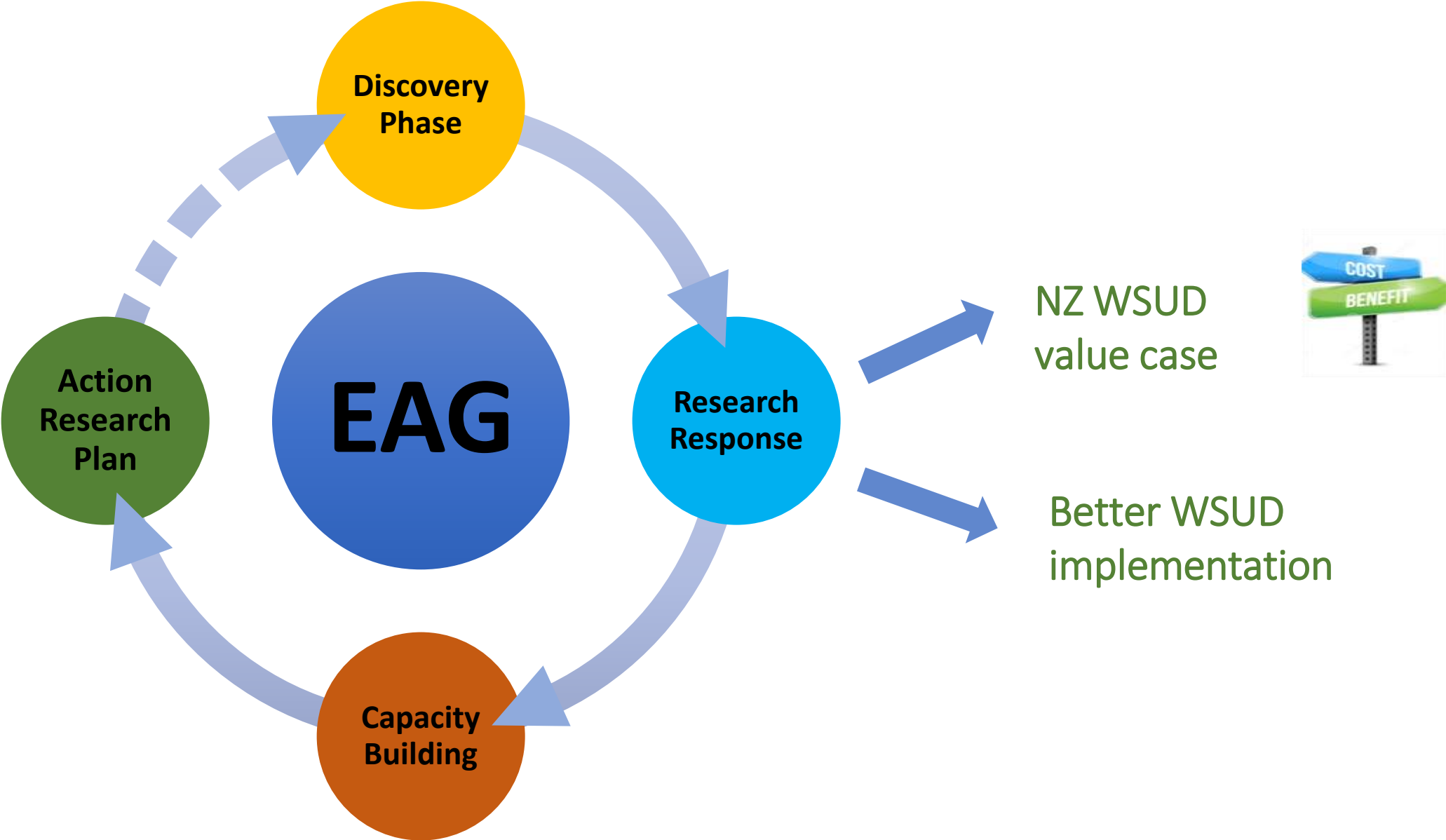


# Why has this research been funded?

- WSUD's value proposition
- New Zealand is the right place
- Now is the right time



# WHAT are we planning to do?



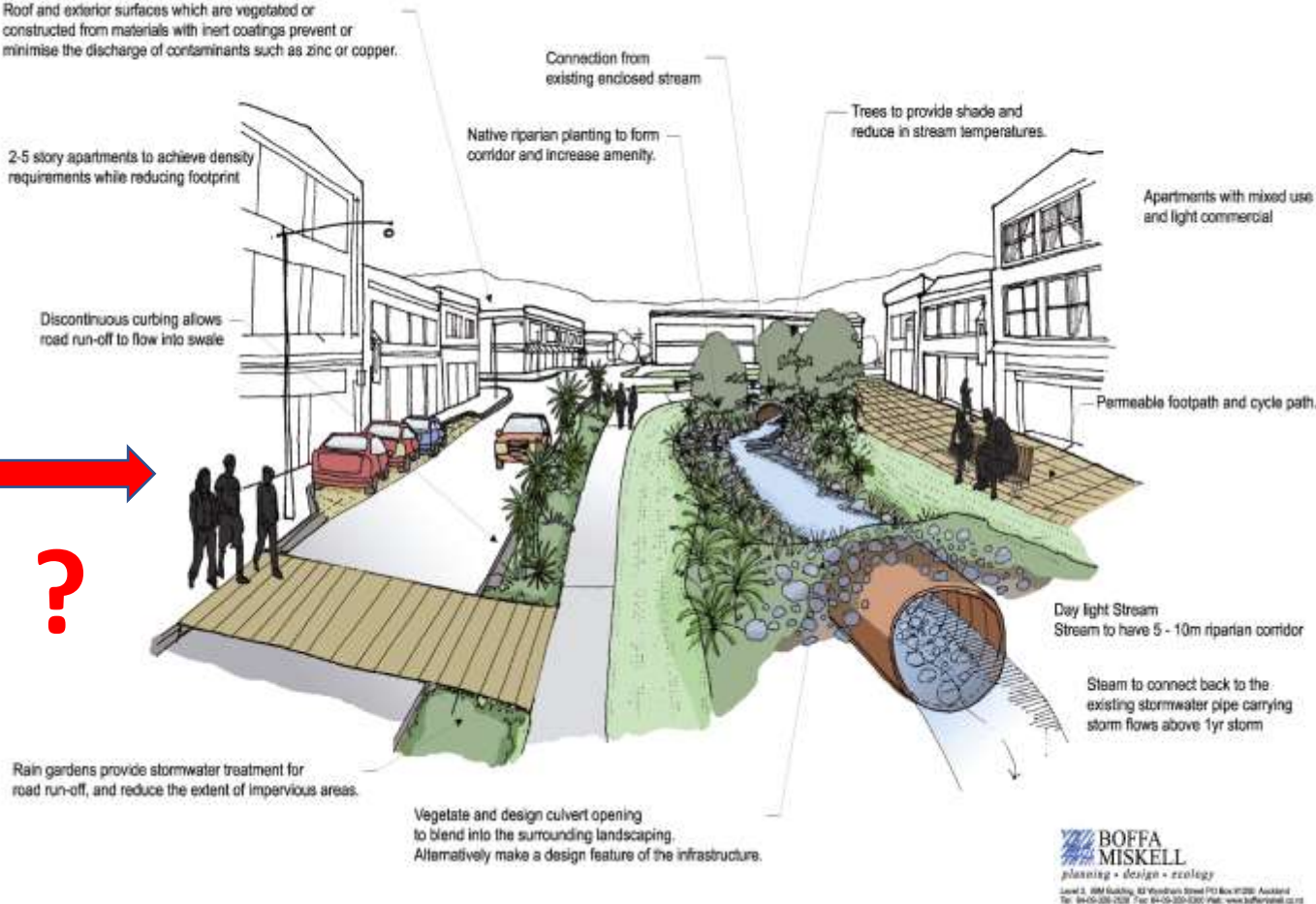


# HOW will this research make a difference?

- active, capable, engaged NZ community of practice
- knowledge to address barriers
- longer term strategic research plan
- helping the National Science Challenge to achieve its objectives



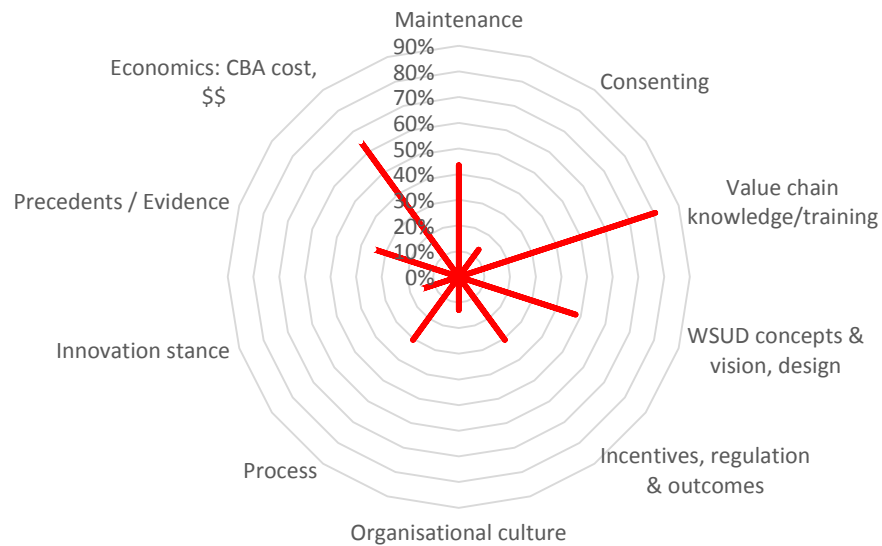
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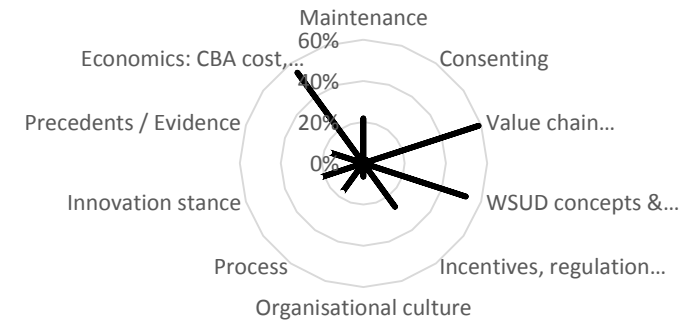
A design approach ...

# What did you tell us? Survey results

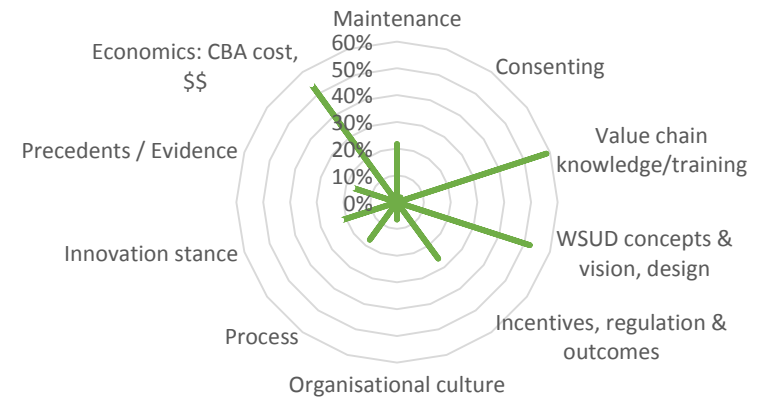
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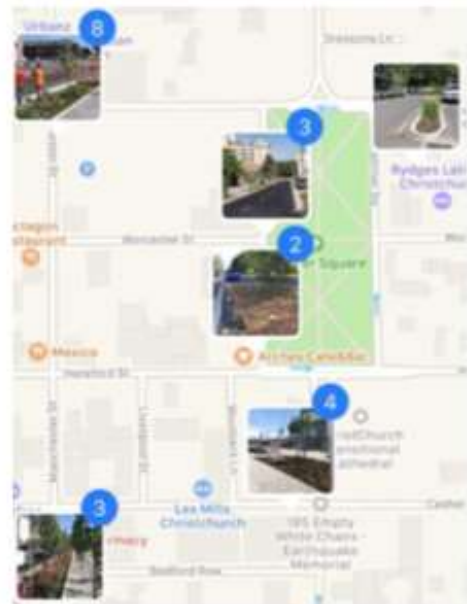
# What did you tell us? Survey results

- *I consider the ability for local government, consultants, planners and constructors to become market leaders in WSUD/WSC is paramount to changing relationships with water through design.*
- *If there was a requirement to do WSUD there would be guidance, specifications, training and funding to make WSUD happen and work.*
- *Missing incentives. A targeted rate on impervious areas would start a thinking process how much impervious is really required and how this can be offset on site by using WSD.*

# WSUD walk: Christchurch

## Key

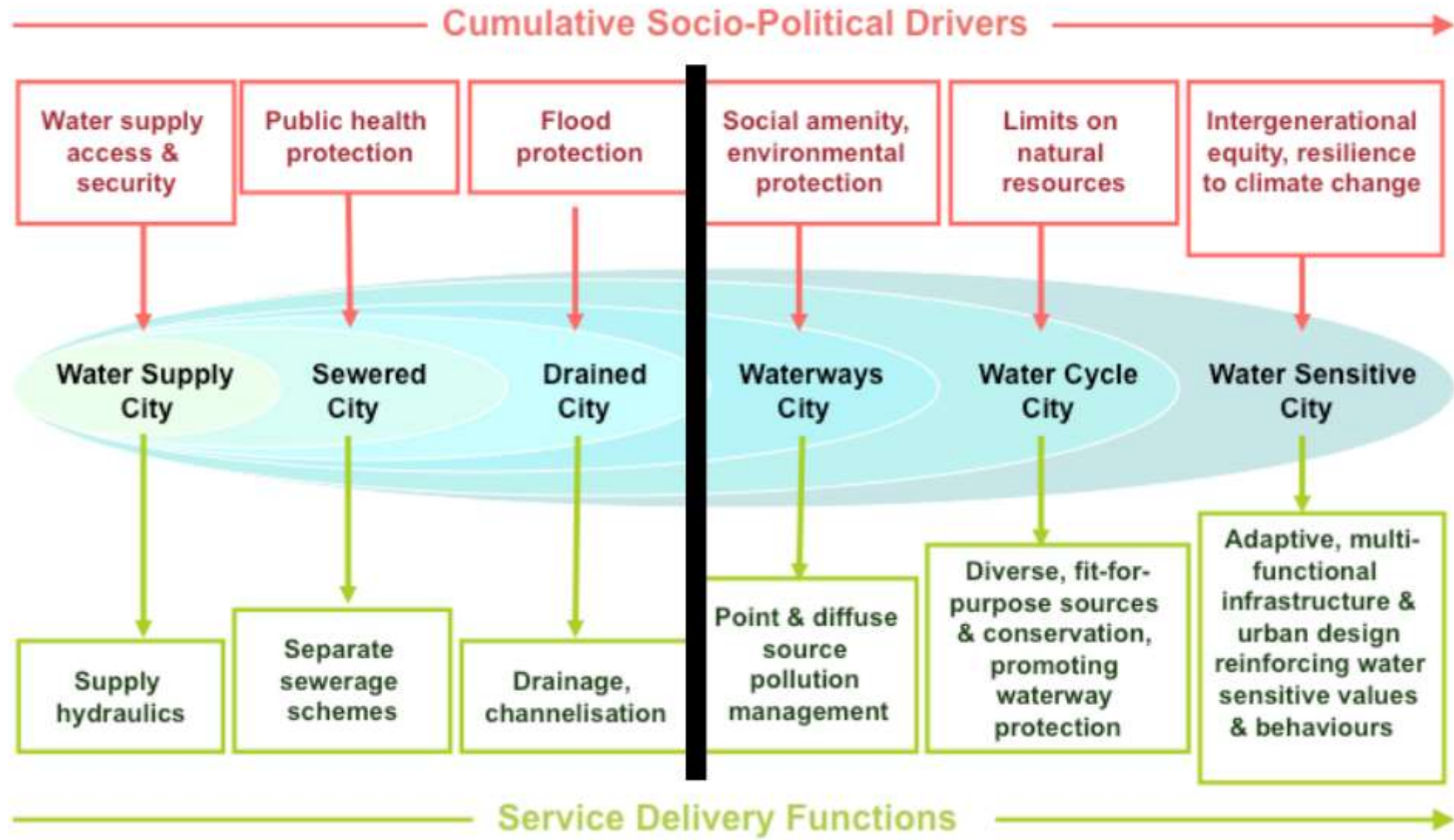
-  Dotted line indicates route
- 15** Numbers indicate sites of interest
-  Arrows show direction of travel
-  Red arrows indicate road crossings – please take *extreme caution*



# Implementing WSUD – where do we stand?

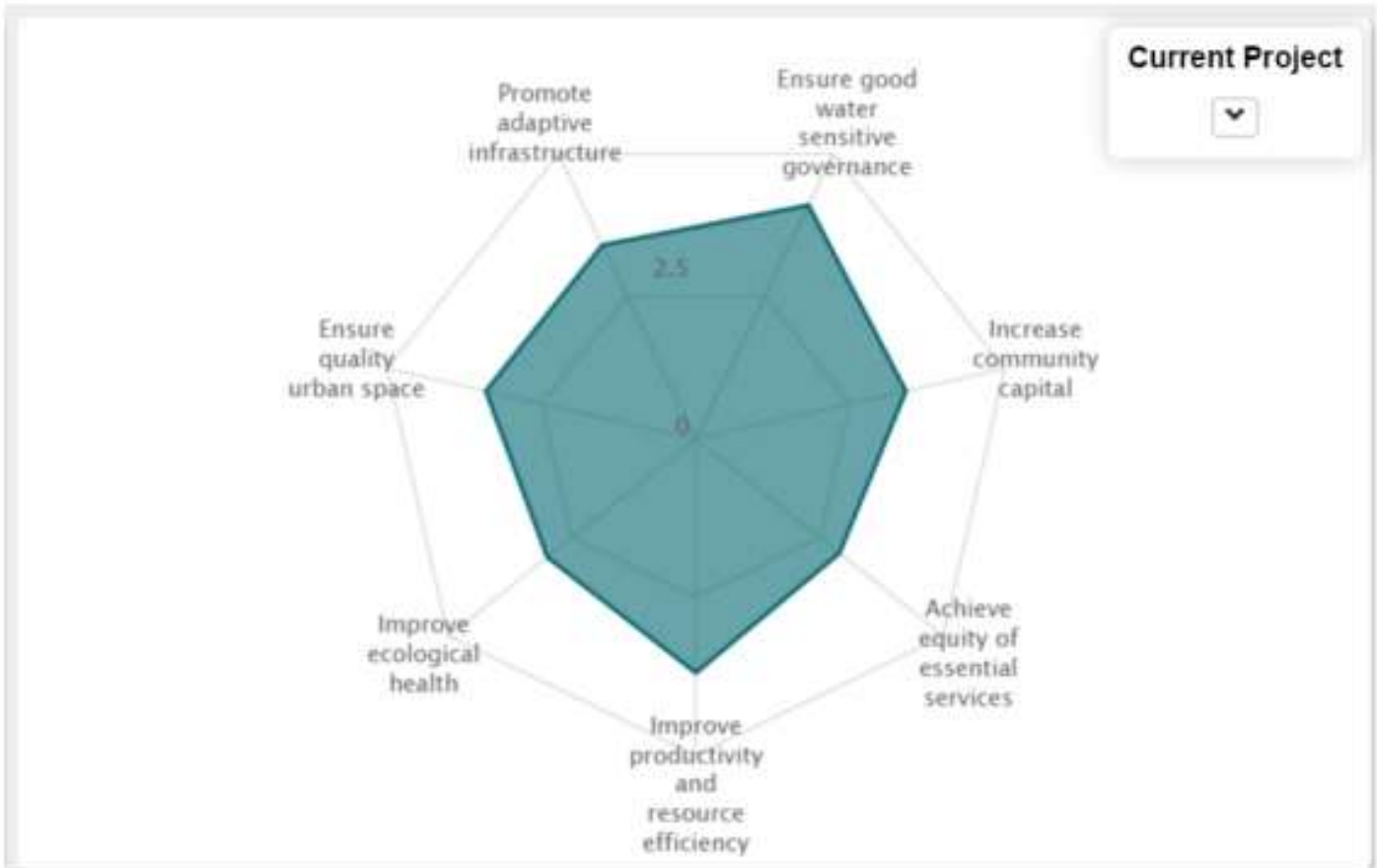


# Urban Water Transitions Framework



# 7 Goals

- Ensure good governance (7)
- Increase community capital (5)
- Achieve equity of essential services (4)
- Improve productivity and resource efficiency (5)
- Improve ecological health (4)
- Ensure quality urban space (3)
- Promote adaptive infrastructure (6)



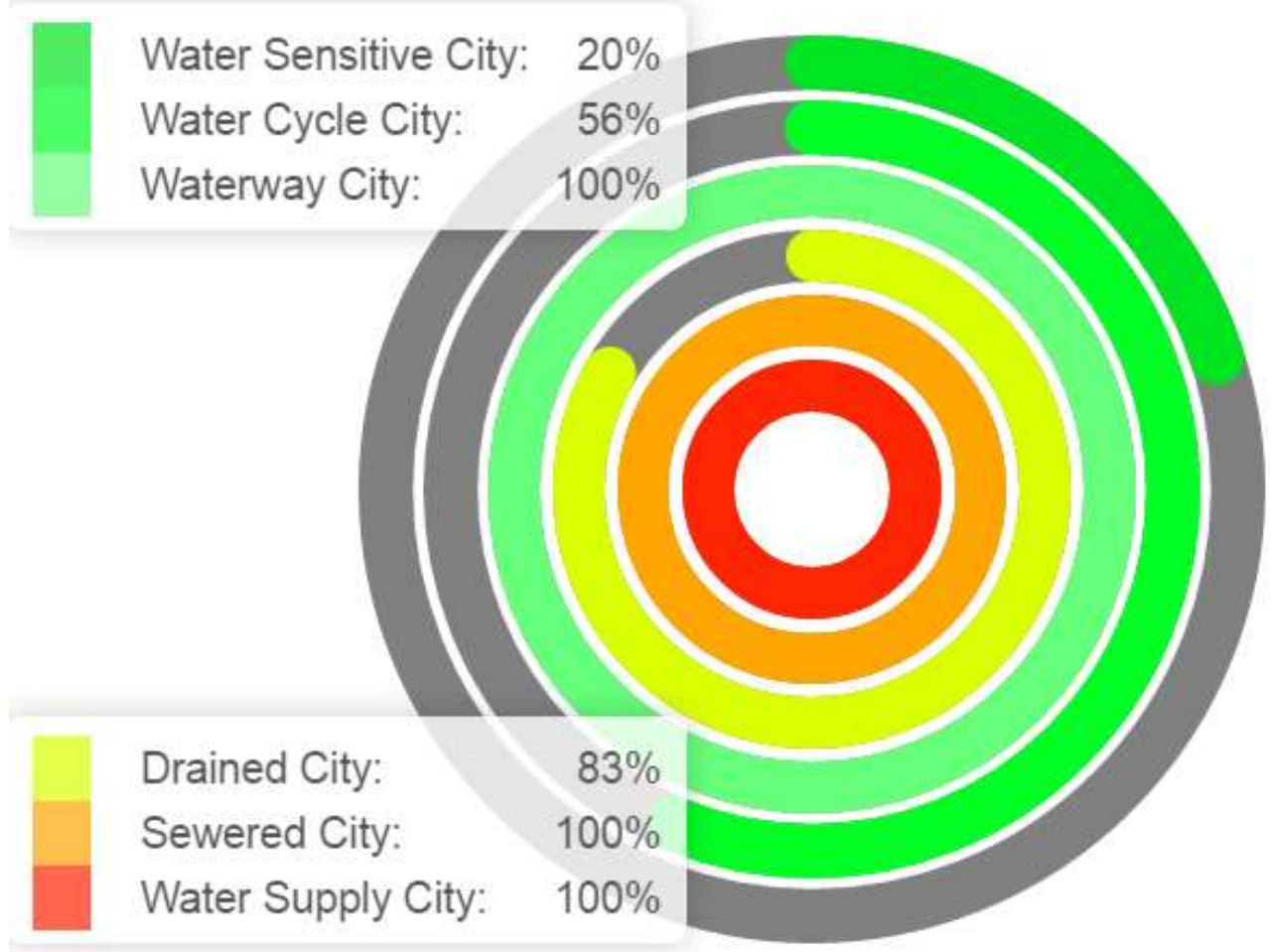


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<p>Knowledge, skills &amp; organisational capacity</p> <p>Water is key element in city planning &amp; design</p> <p>Cross-sector institutional arrangements &amp;</p> <p>Public engagement, participation</p> <p>Leadership, long-term vision &amp; commitment</p> <p>Water resourcing &amp; funding to deliver broad societal</p> <p>Equitable representation of perspectives</p>	<p>Water Literacy</p> <p>Connection with water</p> <p>Shared ownership, management of water assets</p> <p>Community preparedness &amp; response to extreme events</p> <p>Indigenous involvement in water planning</p>	<p>Equitable access to safe &amp; secure water supply</p> <p>Equitable access to safe sanitation</p> <p>Equitable access to flood protection</p> <p>Equitable access to amenity values of water-related assets</p>	<p>Benefits across other sectors bc of water-related services</p> <p>Low GHG emission in water sector</p> <p>Low end-user potable water demand</p> <p>Water-related business opportunities</p> <p>Maximised resource recovery</p>	<p>Healthy and biodiverse habitats</p> <p>Surface water quality and flow</p> <p>Groundwater quality and replenishment</p> <p>Protect existing areas of high ecological value</p>	<p>Activating connected urban green &amp; blue space</p> <p>Urban elements functioning as part of the water system</p> <p>Vegetation coverage</p>	<p>Diverse self sufficient fit-for-purpose water supply</p> <p>Multi-functional water infrastructure systems</p> <p>Integration &amp; intelligent control</p> <p>Robust Infrastructure</p> <p>Infrastructure &amp; ownership at multiple scales</p> <p>Adequate maintenance</p>

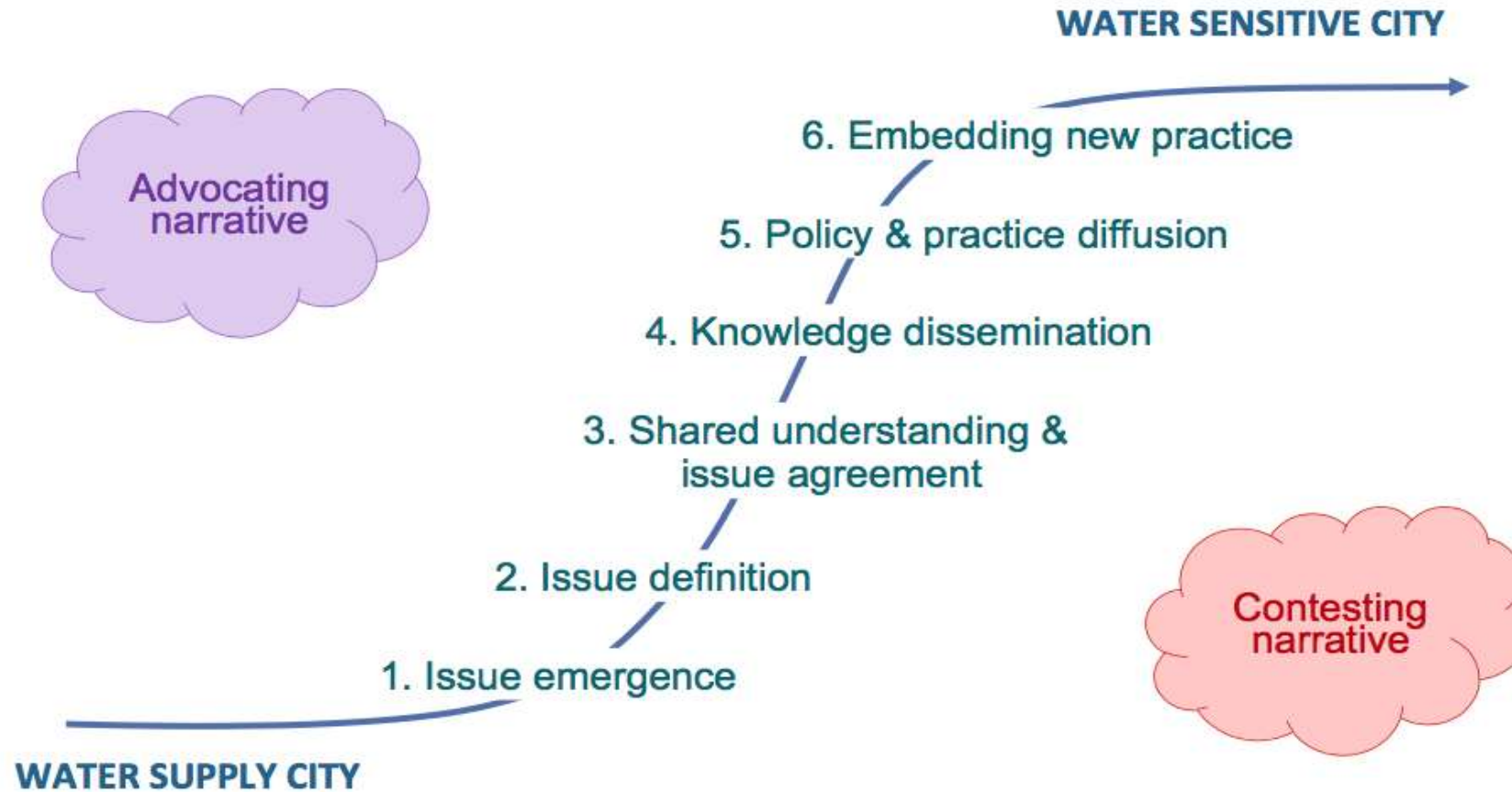
**34 Indicators**

# City State

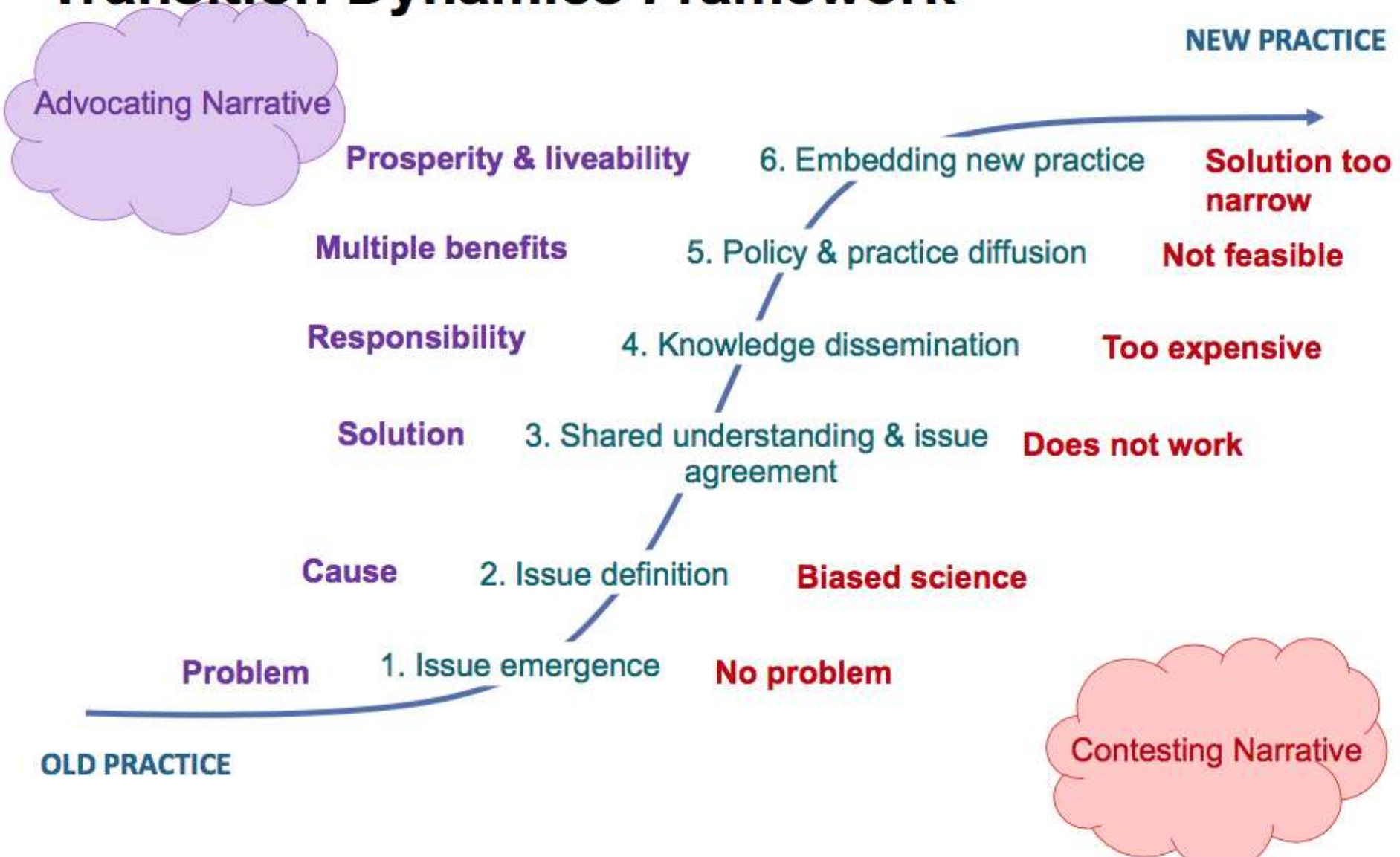


# What are the barriers to becoming a WSC?

## Transition Dynamics Framework



# Transition Dynamics Framework



# What's an Advocating WSUD Narrative? Example

- water and land environments are healthy, protected and enhanced
- water is valued, used efficiently and resources are reused
- green-blue areas support beautiful urban spaces and healthy, safe, resilient communities
- New Zealand's urban character reflects its unique landscape and water environments
- multi-functional water systems are well-maintained and resilient
- all communities have equitable, affordable access to water system services for their health and wellbeing
- communities are engaged and empowered to participate in water decision-making
- water professionals work across institutional and sectoral boundaries collaboratively, transparently and innovatively
- infrastructure planning & development are coordinated & integrated to deliver multiple benefits
- people express kaitiakitanga: they understand, cherish and protect their local water environments

## Domains of Change

### **Actors**

Key networks of individuals

### **Bridges**

(Semi) Formalised organisations, structures & processes for coordination & alignment

### **Knowledge**

Research, science & contextualised knowledge

### **Projects**

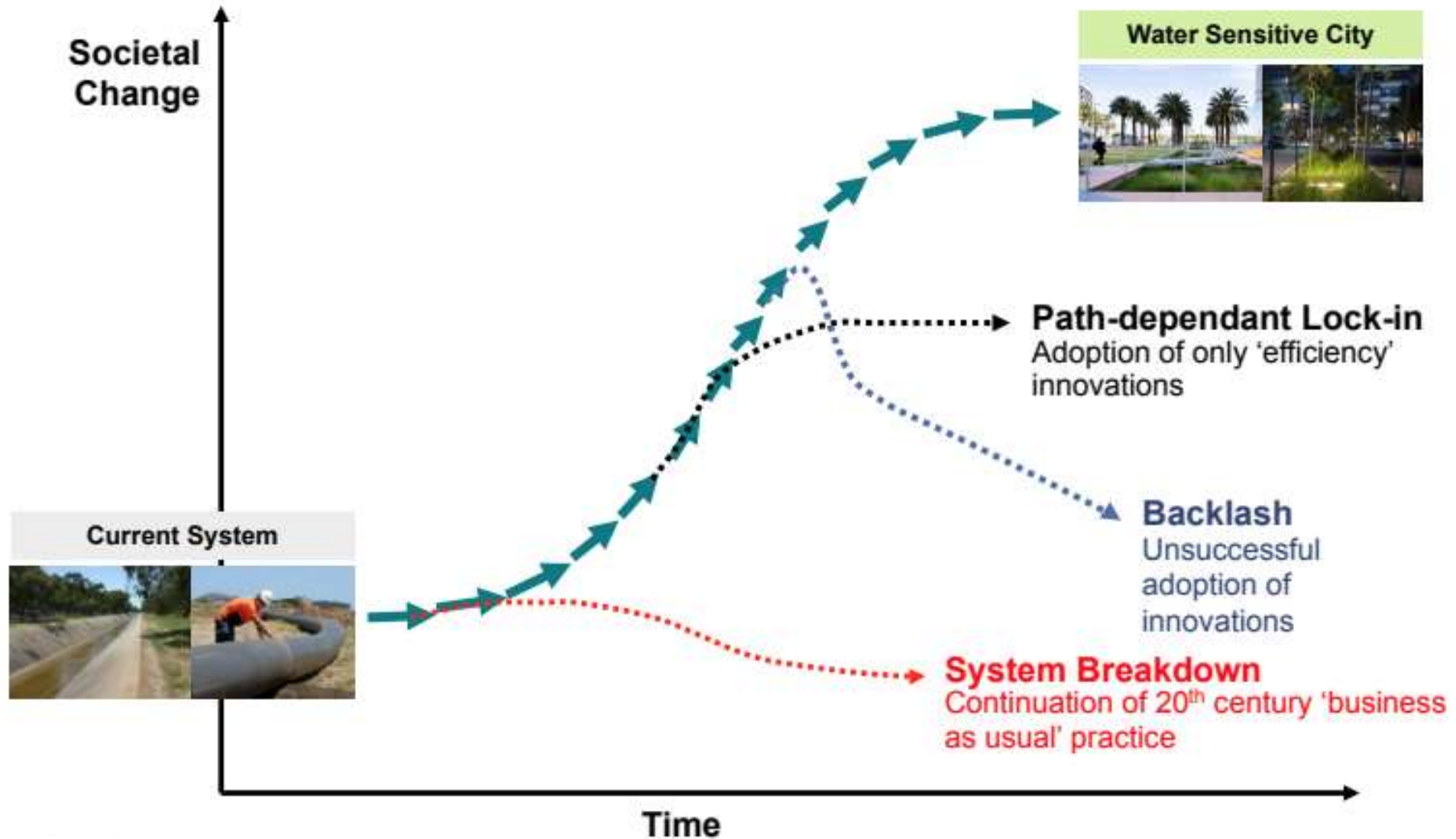
Experiments, demonstrations & focus projects

### **Tools**

Legislative, policy, regulative & practice tools

Transition phase	Champions	Platforms for connecting	Knowledge	Projects and applications	Tools and instruments
1. Issue emergence	Issue activists		Issue highlighted	Issue examined	
2. Issue definition	Individual champions	Sharing concerns and ideas	Causes and impacts examined	Solutions explored	
3. Shared understanding & issue agreement	Connected champions	Developing a collective voice	Solutions developed	Solutions experimented with	Preliminary practical guidance
4. Knowledge dissemination	Influential champions	Building broad support	Solutions advanced	Solutions demonstrated at scale	Refined guidance and early policy
5. Policy and practice diffusion	Organisational champions	Expanding the community of practice	Capacity building	Widespread implementation and learning	Early regulation and targets
6. Embedding new practice	Multi-stakeholder networks	Guiding consistent application	Monitoring and evaluation	Standardisation and refinement	Comprehensive policy and regulation

# How can we steer a city's WSC transition?





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# Working groups: benchmarks and barriers

## Overview

- 3 activities with separate instructions ahead of each one

### BENCHMARKS

Activity 1: Benchmarking our WSUD stage:

- your city or part of it against the urban water transitions framework
- NZ in terms of phase of change in the transition dynamics framework

Activity 2: Ideas for Advocating Narratives:

### BARRIERS

Activity 3: Brainstorming barriers to WSUD

- open discussion to wrap up

# Activities 1 and 2: Benchmarking

## Activating Water Sensitive Urban Design in New Zealand

### BENCHMARKING AND BARRIERS GROUP ACTIVITY

#### ACTIVITY 1 – BENCHMARKING:

Circle the city which you believe represents 'your' New Zealand city. You may want to divide your city into 'green field' and 'brown field' or 'new' and 'old' parts of your city (please label!)

### Urban Water Transitions Framework



City: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

# Activities 1 and 2: Benchmarking

In your groups:

- appoint a spokesperson – maybe a different one
- take 15 minutes to prepare a 2-minute presentation:

For Activity 1 (handout pages 1 and 2), tell us what stage of WSUD your group thinks:

- your city or part of it is in, against the urban water transitions framework
- NZ overall is in, in terms of phase of change in the transition dynamics framework

For Activity 2 (handout page 3), tell us what your group thinks about:

- - what would your Advocating Narrative for WSUD look like?



# Activity 3: Barriers

In your groups:

- appoint another spokesperson
- take 10 minutes to prepare a 2-minute presentation on what's stopping us from getting to the water sensitive city
- if you wish, you can:
  - score the severity of each barrier
  - score how easy it may be to address it

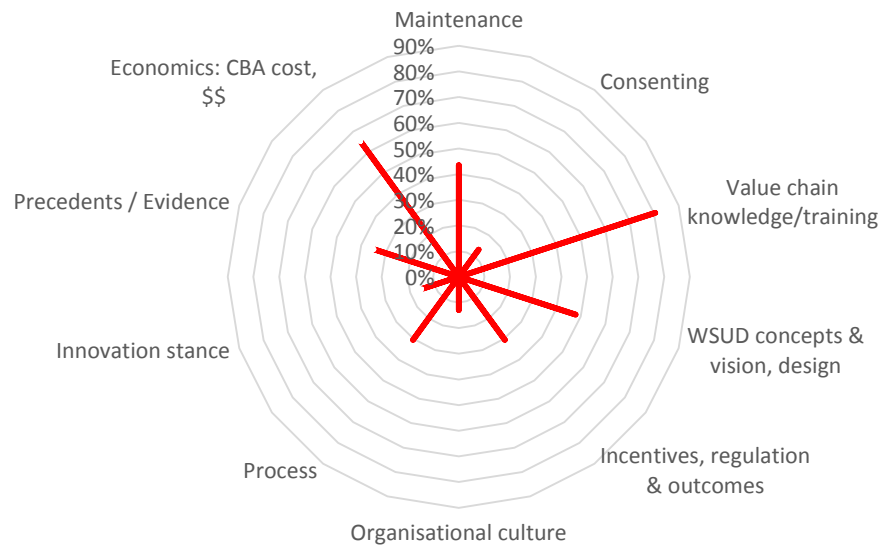
# Open discussion

Wrapping up

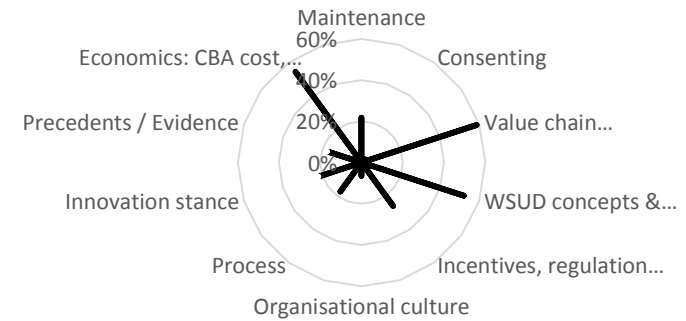


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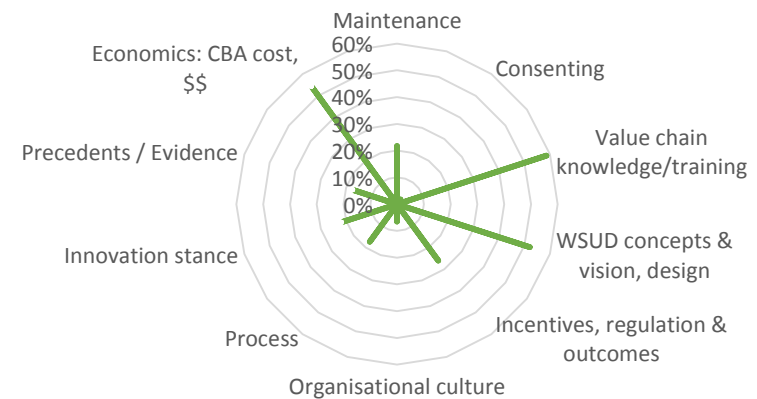
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# Where to from here?

- notes and handouts from workshop
  - emailed out to you
  - put on website [www.landcareresearch.co.nz/wsud](http://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/wsud)
- website and email information
  - survey results
  - information on WSUD resources
- next year's research
- report-back workshops in 2018

# Staying in touch and doing better



**FeedItForward Sheet**  
"You want WSUD with that?"  
A workshop on Activating Water Sensitive Urban Design for New Zealand

1. Please score the following statements from 1 (very low) to 5 (very high) (Please circle):

I found this workshop relevant to my work	1	2	3	4	5
I found the workshop clear and easy to follow	1	2	3	4	5
I found the workshop interactive and engaging	1	2	3	4	5

2. The top three things you gained from today were:

(i) \_\_\_\_\_  
(ii) \_\_\_\_\_  
(iii) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Overall, how valuable was today for you? (Please circle one):

Not at all | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Extremely

Fairly

4. Your "burning issue" for today, or your most serious barrier to activating WSUD, is:

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Your solution to this issue ... is / requires / other ...:

\_\_\_\_\_

6. Our key value proposition is that relative to prevailing forms of urban development, WSUD performs more strongly under a comprehensive assessment of its many wider benefits. How strongly do you disagree or agree with that? (Please circle one):

Strongly disagree | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Strongly agree

Neutral or Mixed

7. How would you make this workshop better?

\_\_\_\_\_

8. In all this, what have missed?

\_\_\_\_\_

9. What next steps would you like the research team to take?

\_\_\_\_\_

If you want to receive notes from this meeting and information about events and our research, please put your name and email address below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you! We will use your comments to make sure our research meets your needs!**

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# THANK YOU!



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