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Delivering Project Success Through Collaboration

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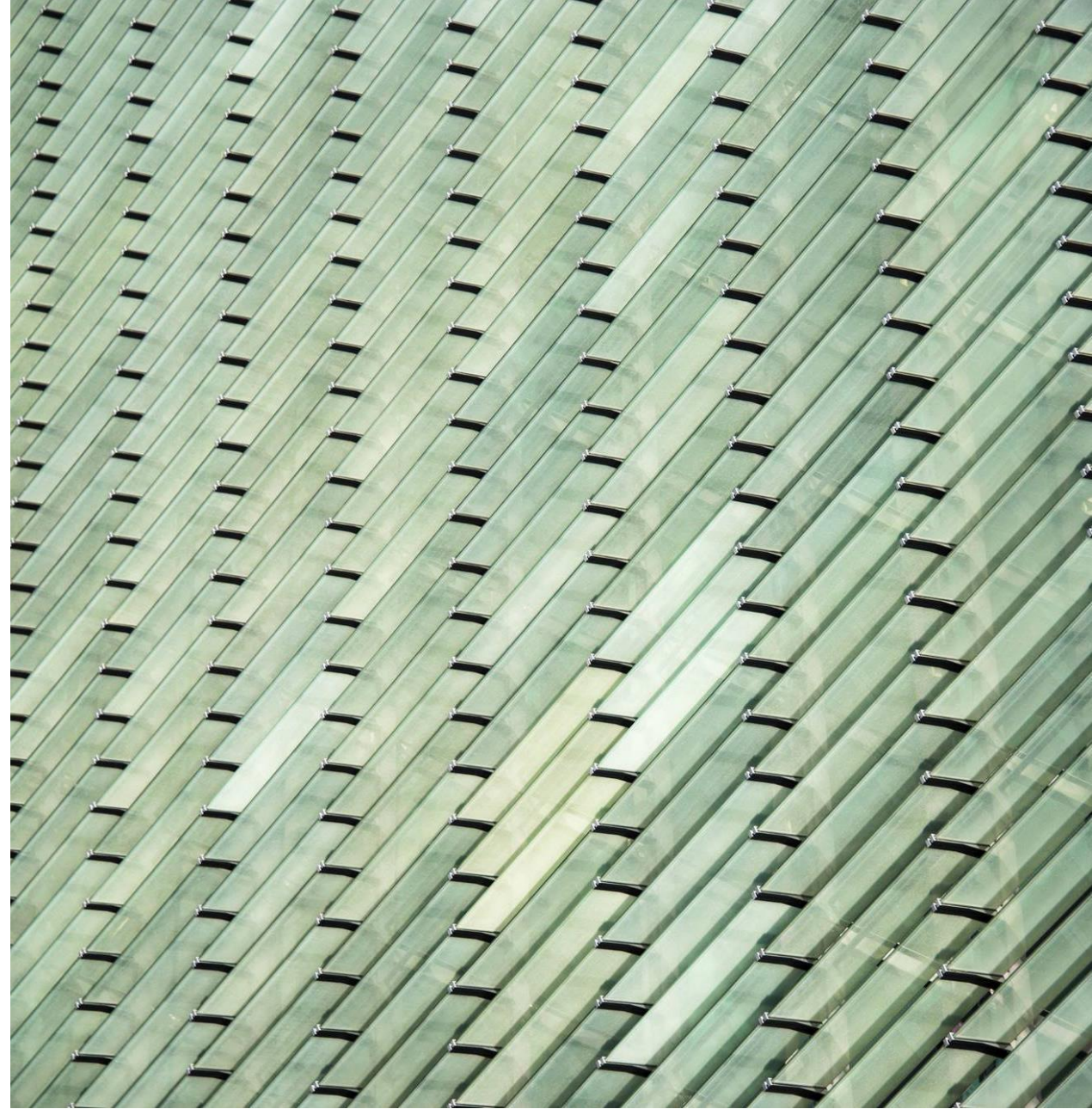
Today's Agenda

Collaboration

Case Studies

YIF MMC

Chelmsford Garden Community



Construction Parties



Funder

Client

Design Team

Project Manager

Quantity Surveyor

Legals

Contractor

Funder

Client

Design Team

MMC Contractor

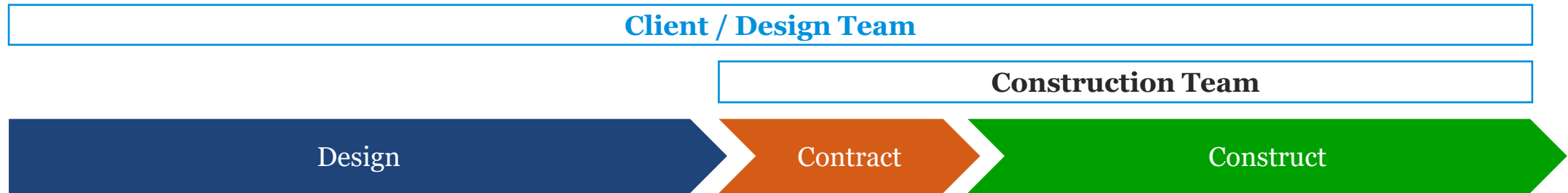
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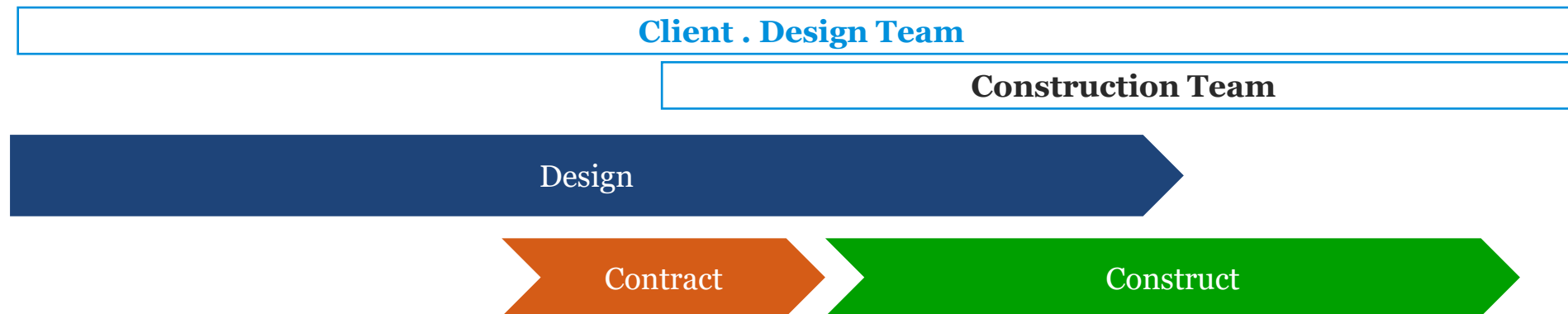
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Collaboration for Delivery

Traditional

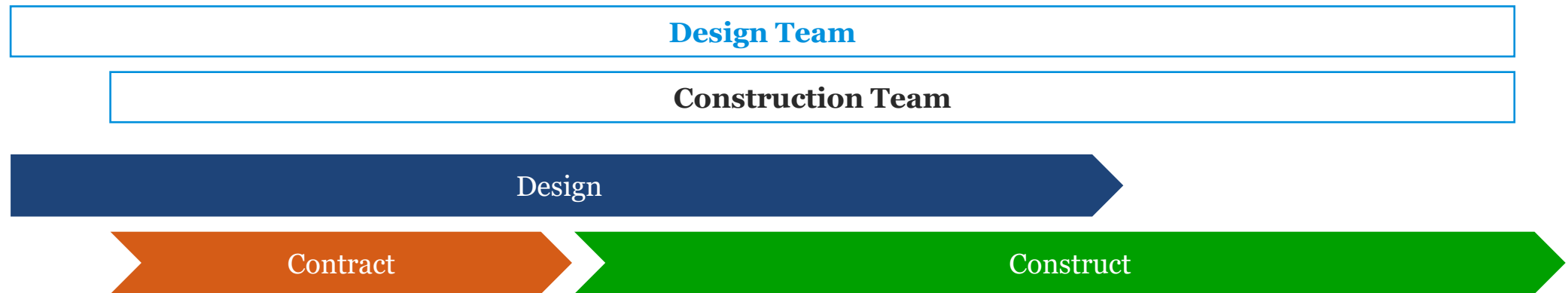


Design & Build



Collaboration for Delivery

Collaborate



Case Study

Youth Investment Fund
– Modular Youth Centres



Modular Youth Centres

Youth Investment Fund (UK)

Task force of architects and MMC Advisors to design a kit of parts to deliver four modular youth facilities.

Each scheme received detailed planning approval.

The schemes were tendered to the supply chain and were deemed unaffordable at over £7k/m²



Modular Youth Centres

Procurement & Collaboration

DCMS appointed the Social Investment Business (SIB) Foundation as the Youth Investment Fund (YIF) grant provider.

T&T and C&W were appointed to collaborate across the national portfolio to create a platform design for all projects to improve productivity and to provide nationwide support to the portfolio through all preconstruction activities to contract ready status.

C&W role: Perform all design-related and planning activities

T&T role: Perform all project planning, monitoring and management activities



Modular Youth Centres

Supply chain engagement

Early engagement with the supply chain of six MMC Cat 1 volumetric and two Cat 2 panelised suppliers was critical.

Arrived at a standard template design that met the suppliers' dimensional and specification sweet spots

Resulted in the average above ground cost across the supply chain of £2.7k/m² rendering the portfolio affordable.

The projects were geographically batched in collaboration with the suppliers to maximise manufacturing and transportation efficiencies.



Modular Youth Centres

Key Successes

Reduced costs from £7k/m² to £2.5k/m²

Supported the supply chain to deliver a platform DfMA system through collaboration

Collaborated with competitors to deliver programme productivity improvements for the client



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Case Study

Chelmsford Garden Community



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Project overview

- 1250 single family rental dwellings, 614 of which allocated as MMC delivery.
- Split of 2 & 3 storey houses and small apartment blocks. Approx 75% housing and 25% apartments.
- On site MMC delivery start date July 2025.
- Delivery rate 14 plots per month.
- Full turnkey solution required.



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Our scope

- MMC market analysis of recent success and failures & 5-year forecast
- Supply chain analysis and recommendations
- CAT 1 & 2 options analysis and recommendations
- Design pattern book review

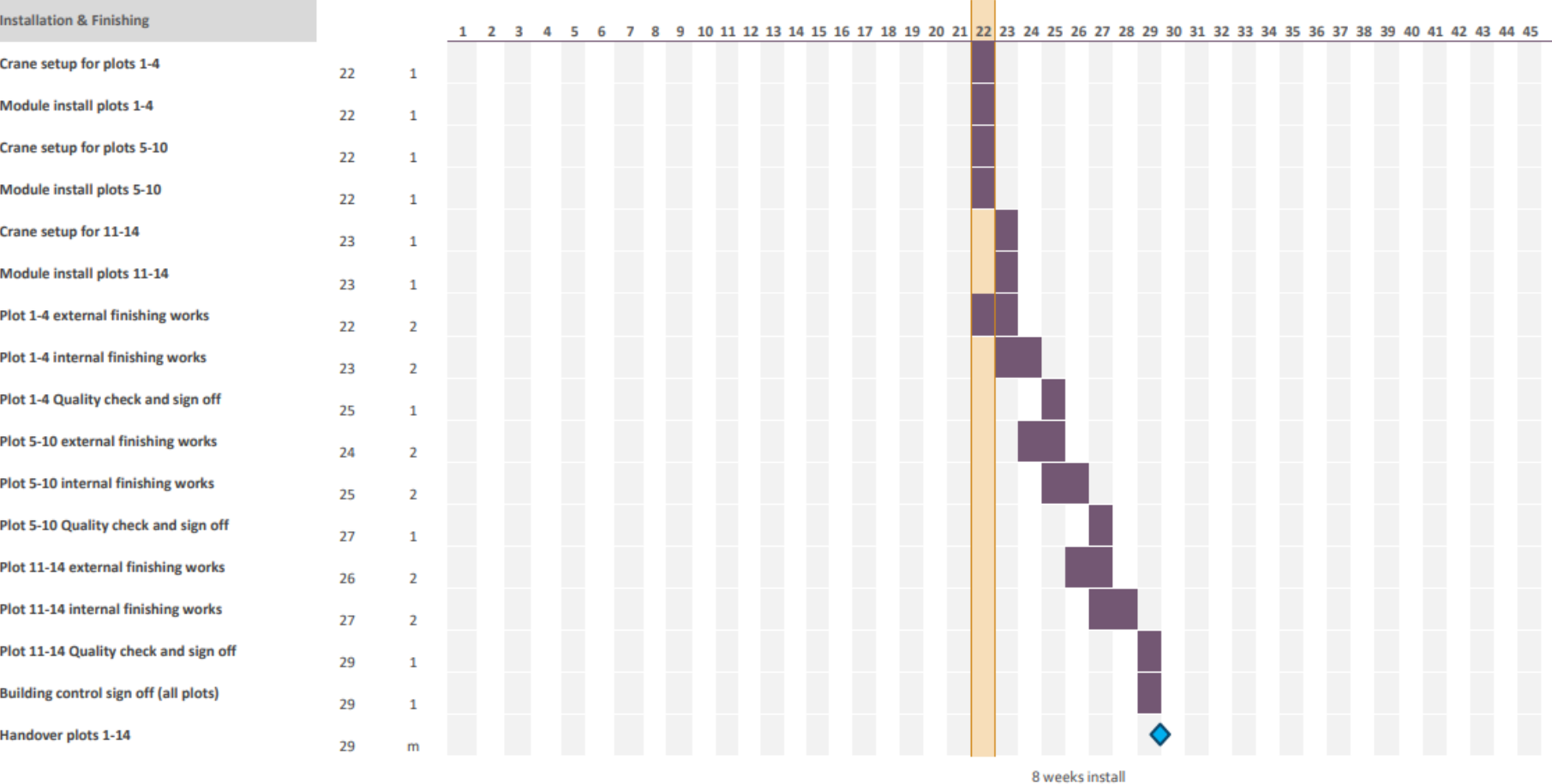


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MMC category 1 example 14 plot programme



Based upon an assumption of 1 finishing team, 1 crane and batched into three install groups. Multiple teams could work concurrently.

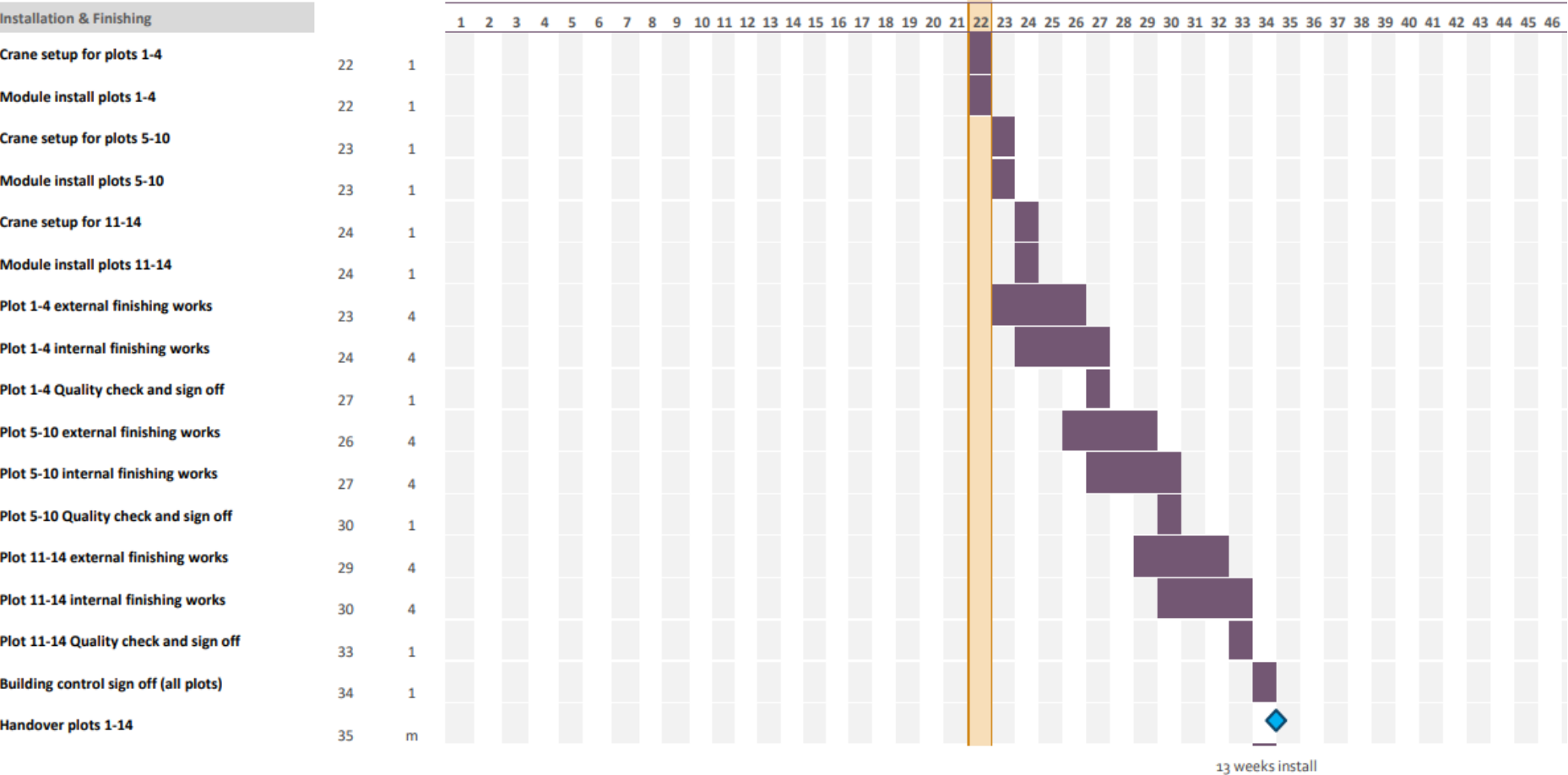


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MMC category 2 example 14 plot programme



Based upon an assumption of 1 finishing team, 1 crane and batched into three install groups. Multiple teams could work concurrently.



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Category 1 - Positives

- Fully finished internal and external treatments (Programme benefit).
- Possibility to install up to 6 plots in a single day.
- Improved quality standards as all trade works are completed in a factory setting.
- Tested M&E systems prior to site install.
- Full turnkey supply and install with manufacturer.
- Opportunity for programme betterment.
- No reliance on traditional trades to compete the dwellings on site.
- High fabric performance and air tightness (Passivhaus standard).
- Low running costs.
- Most efficient resource building strategy.
- Least site disruption (logistics and site works) and site setup.
- Greatest potential for carbon reduction.

Category 1 - Negatives

- Depending on system & location, potential higher unit rate cost.
- Increased risk exposure with single source supplier & strength of covenant.
- Storage risk if site delays incurred.
- Subject to wind delays.
- Location factor with transportation to site.
- Less design flexibility.
- Funding structure (cash flow and upfront costs).

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Category 2 - Positives

- Lower unit cost compared to category 1.
- High speed erection in a single day for a dwelling (watertight envelope).
- High thermal performance. Passive house standards achievable if required.
- Lower risk portfolio, many suppliers with similar products for supply chain continuity.
- Available in open of closed panel options including windows, doors and cladding.
- Potential for lower running costs.
- Higher design and façade flexibility & variability achievable.
- Can utilise architects designs over a supplier led design.
- Circa 5% net construction cost cheaper than traditional, excluding prelims.
- More efficient logistics delivery to site compared to traditional construction.

Category 2 – Negatives

- Slower finishing speed compared to category 1.
- Relies heavily on traditional trades for internal fit out and external cladding works.
- Weather dependant for finishing works.
- Subject to wind delays.
- Manufacturers don't often offer turnkey solutions without partnering with a principle contractor.

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Delivery Options

Option 1 -Tier 1 Contractor D&B with the MMC supplier as a sub-contractor –

Option 2 -MMC supplier turnkey solution – MMC supplier takes on the role of Principal Contractor.

Option 3 -Off-site Project integrator approach ('Construction Management light' with minimal number of packages and interfaces resolved).



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Pop Up Assembly Hubs

- Cat 2 panels transported to an assembly hub
- Either a 'pop up factory' or an existing local large open plan industrial unit.
- 2D components can then be assembled locally into larger sub-assemblies or 3D volumes.
- Lifted into position gaining all the benefits of volumetric (speed of construction, weathertightness, resource efficiency, etc.) without having the transportation issues that some sites have with 3D volumetric deliveries.
- Use of skilled labour is significantly reduced compared to traditional construction, as components are being assembled rather than constructed, utilising a less skilled local labour force.
- Supports ESG criteria.
- On completion of the project the assembly hub can be deconstructed and reassembled at a new location



Conclusions

Plenty of opportunity for change

**Industry Engagement and
information essential**

**Scale of demand in key sectors
could provide platform for
growth**

**In return MMC could contribute
significantly to the delivery of
vital infrastructure**

**Planning and upfront
engagement with supply chain
critical to future success**



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