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# Investing in Infrastructure

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- The importance of strategy
- Values, ethics and public trust
- COAG cities agenda
- Governance and cultural change
- Positive multiplier effect of action
- Opportunities



# The Importance of Strategy

- Defined as “a plan, method, or series of manoeuvres or stratagems for obtaining a specific goal or result”
- Infrastructure Australia’s strategy is built on seven themes:
  - A national broadband network
  - Creation of a true national energy market
  - Competitive international gateways
  - A national freight network
  - Adaptable and secure water supplies
  - Transforming our cities
  - Providing essential indigenous services



# Values, ethics and public trust



# COAG cities agenda

- Plans by 2012
- National urban policy



# Governance and cultural change

- Two conflicting issues:
  - Infrastructure is difficult to plan across many Councils
  - Voice of community is very important

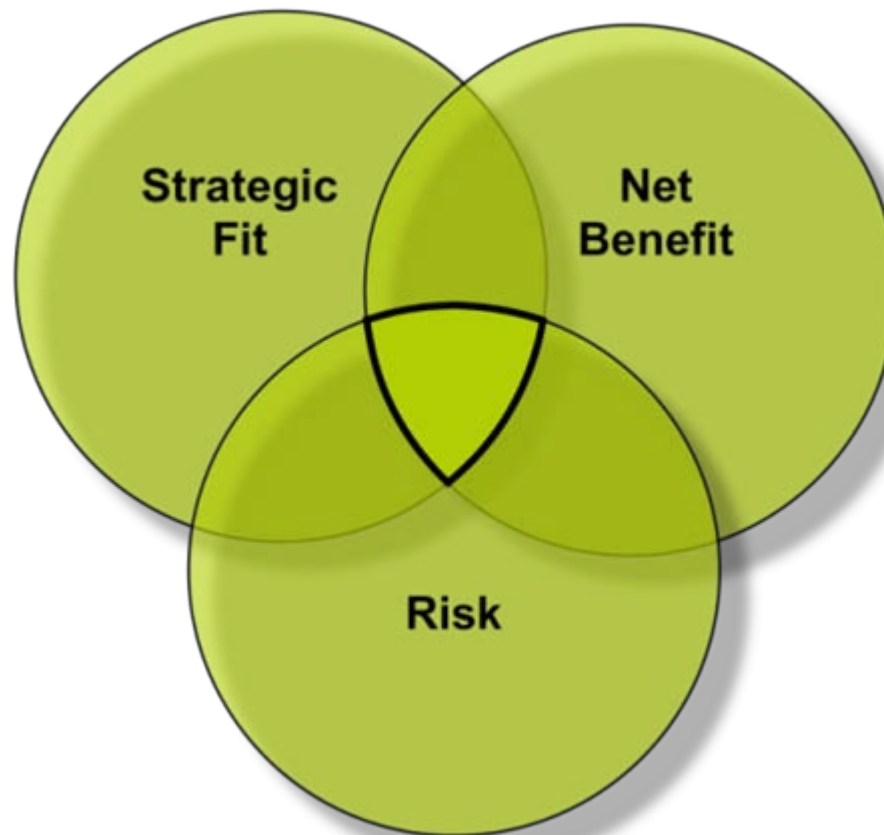


# Positive multiplier effect of action

- Creates confidence
  - Positive business environment
  - Freight Policy
  - Ports Policy
  - Urban Water Policy
- Vital to business confidence and driving down costs – positive impact on mums and dads



# The Priority List

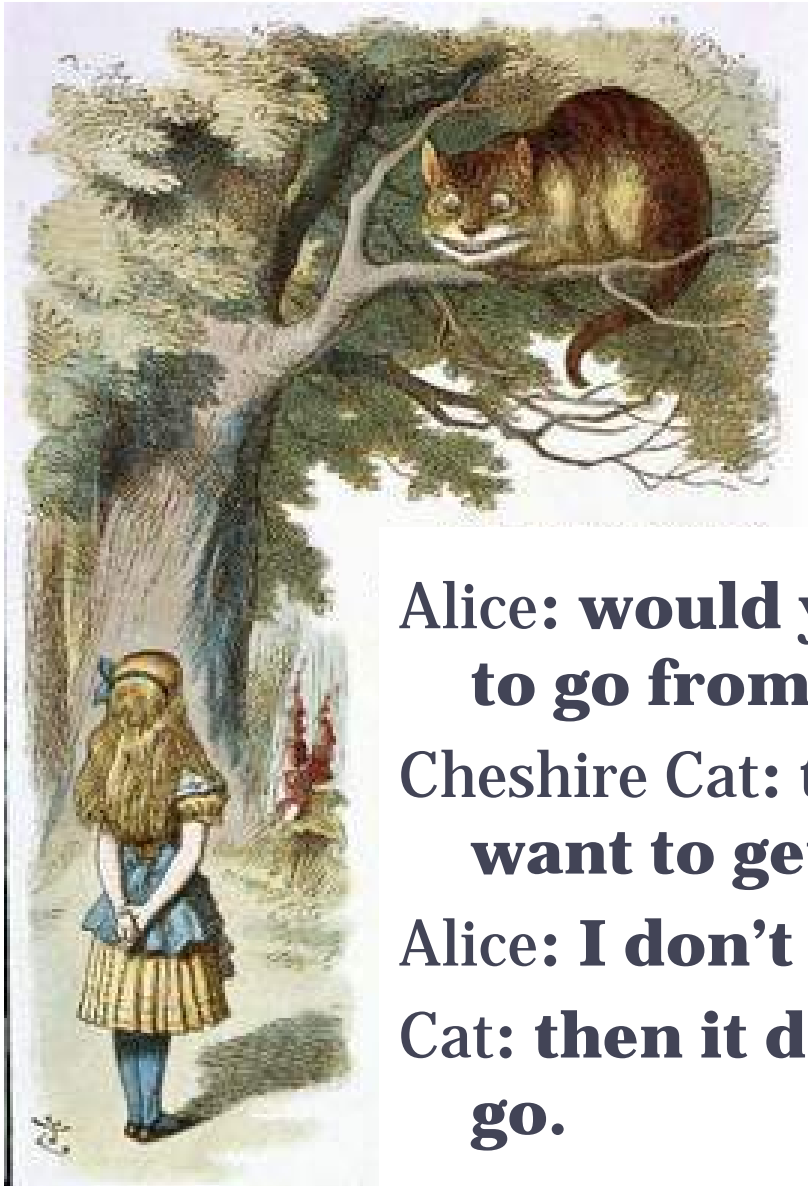




# PPP's

## Feedback:

- Need for observable government procurement processes
- National consistency
- Bid Costs
- Bid time
- Real risk transfer
- Governance structures/expertise
- Partnership rather than cosmetics
- Public Evaluation audits



**Alice: would you tell me which way I ought to go from here?**

**Cheshire Cat: that depends on where you want to get to.**

**Alice: I don't much care where.**

**Cat: then it doesn't matter which way you go.**

