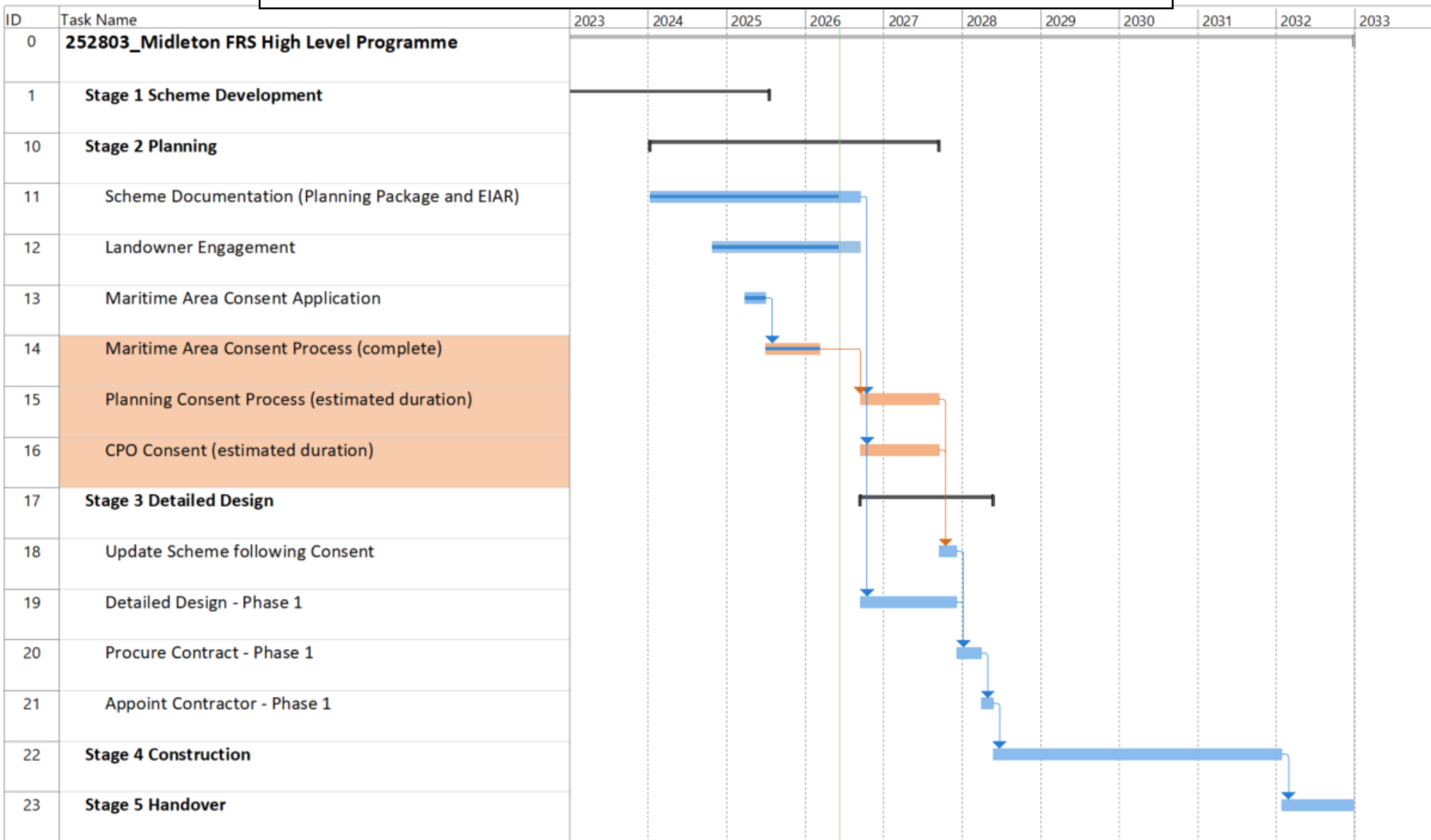


Note: Project programme is current estimate only and subject to revision.



Note: To mitigate impact on programme, Stage 3 and Stage 4 will be phased by area, therefore Stage 3 will overlap with Stage 4. Shown on this project update is Detailed Design of Phase 1.

Stage 1 Scheme Development	Stage 2 Planning	Stage 3 Detailed Design
Activities in last period April 2026 – June 2026		
Complete	Stakeholder and landowner engagement ongoing. Preparation of planning package, updates following stakeholder and landowner engagement. Environmental impact mitigation input to design. Environmental Impact Assessment ongoing.	Due to commence in 2026
Activities in next period July – August 2026		
Complete	Stakeholder and landowner engagement to continue. Preparation of CPO documentation to continue. Finalisation of planning package. Preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Report to continue.	Due to commence in 2026
Key Drivers and Constraints		
Complete	Environmental Protected Areas (SAC, SPA, NHA) Planning Consent Route – Planning and Development Act CPO / Landowner Agreements	Tender Process – EU procurement rules Phasing of Scheme Construction
Key Risks		
Complete	Planning Consent duration Interaction with other infrastructure projects Landowner and stakeholder submissions Environmental Legislation	Amendments to scheme design following Planning Consent / CPO Consent Tender process - legal challenges unsuccessful tenderers

