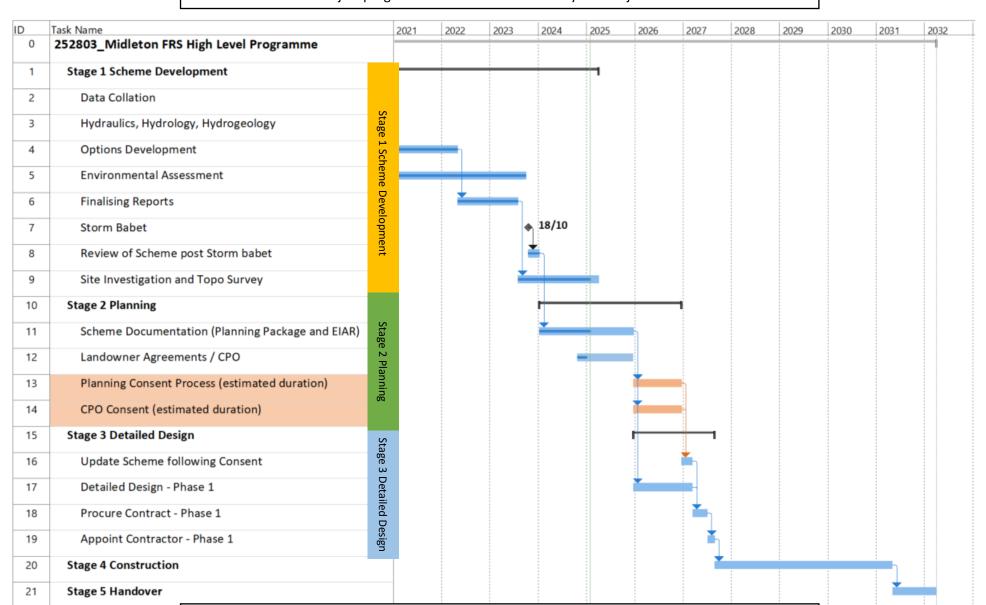
**Note**: Project programme is current estimate only and subject to revision.



**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 this Period December 2024 / January 2025		
Geotechnical Investigation ongoing Environmental surveys ongoing	Stakeholder and landowner engagement ongoing. Affected landowners clinic held in January 2025 Interaction with other infrastructure projects ongoing. Preparation of planning package, incl flood defence design, hydrogeology analysis, geotechnical design, drainage design, utility design, landscape design Environmental impact mitigation input to design	Due to commence in 2026
Activities next period February / March 2025		
Finalisation of Geotechnical Investigation Survey	Stakeholder and landowner engagement to continue.  CPO / landowner agreements to commence. Review of impact on planning design required.  Finalisation of planning package, incl flood defence design, hydrogeology analysis, geotechnical design, drainage design, utility design, landscape design  Environmental impact mitigation input to design.  Preparation of EIAR to commence	Due to commence in 2026
Key Drivers and Constraints		
Summer and Winter season environmental surveys	Environmental Protected Areas (SAC, SPA, NHA) Planning Consent Route CPO / Landowner Agreements	Tender Process – EU procurement rules Phasing of Scheme Construction
Key Risks		
Interaction with other infrastructure projects	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

