



Programme Area: Nuclear

Project: SMR Deployment Enablers

Title: SMR deployment enablers work break down structure and first 5 year project plan

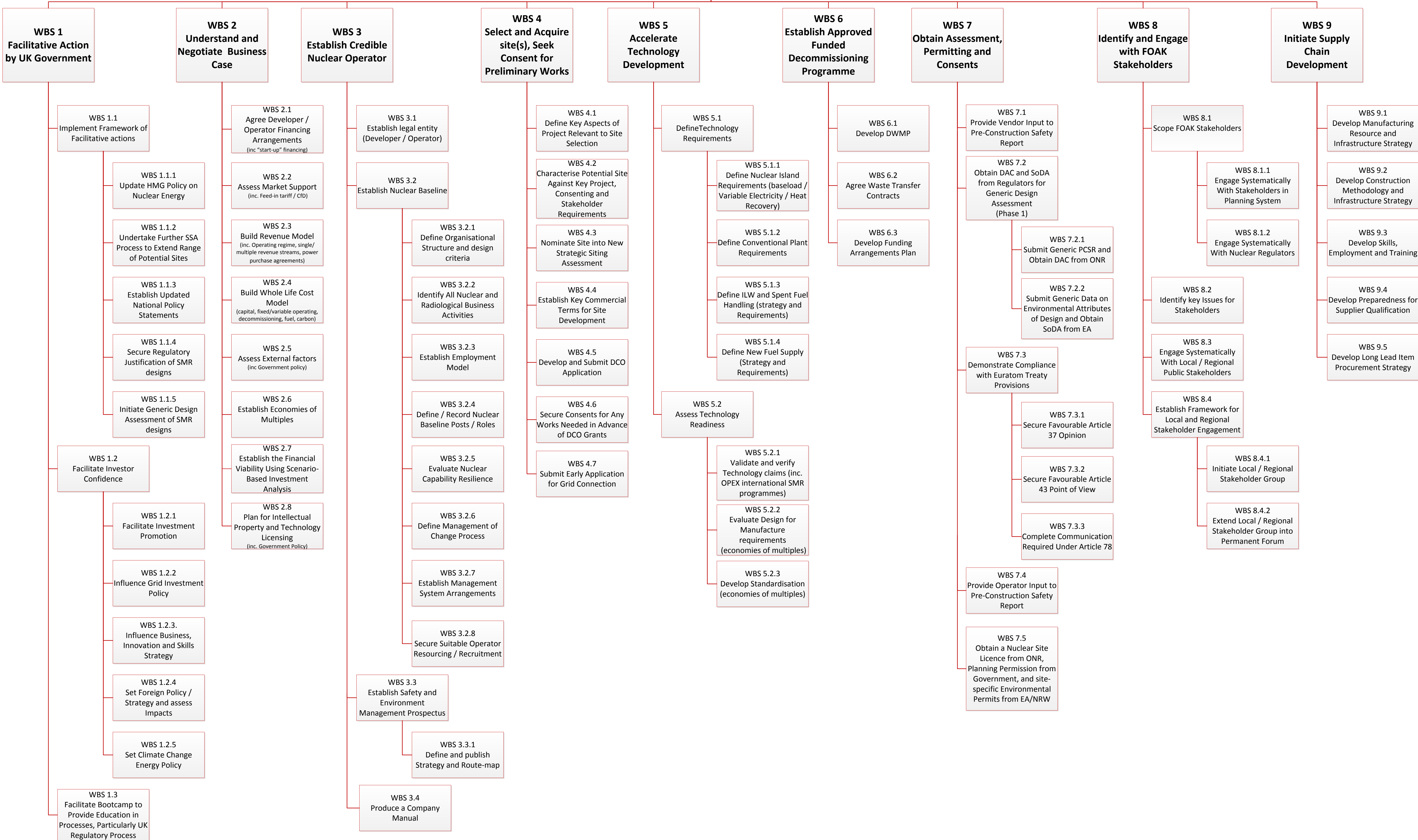
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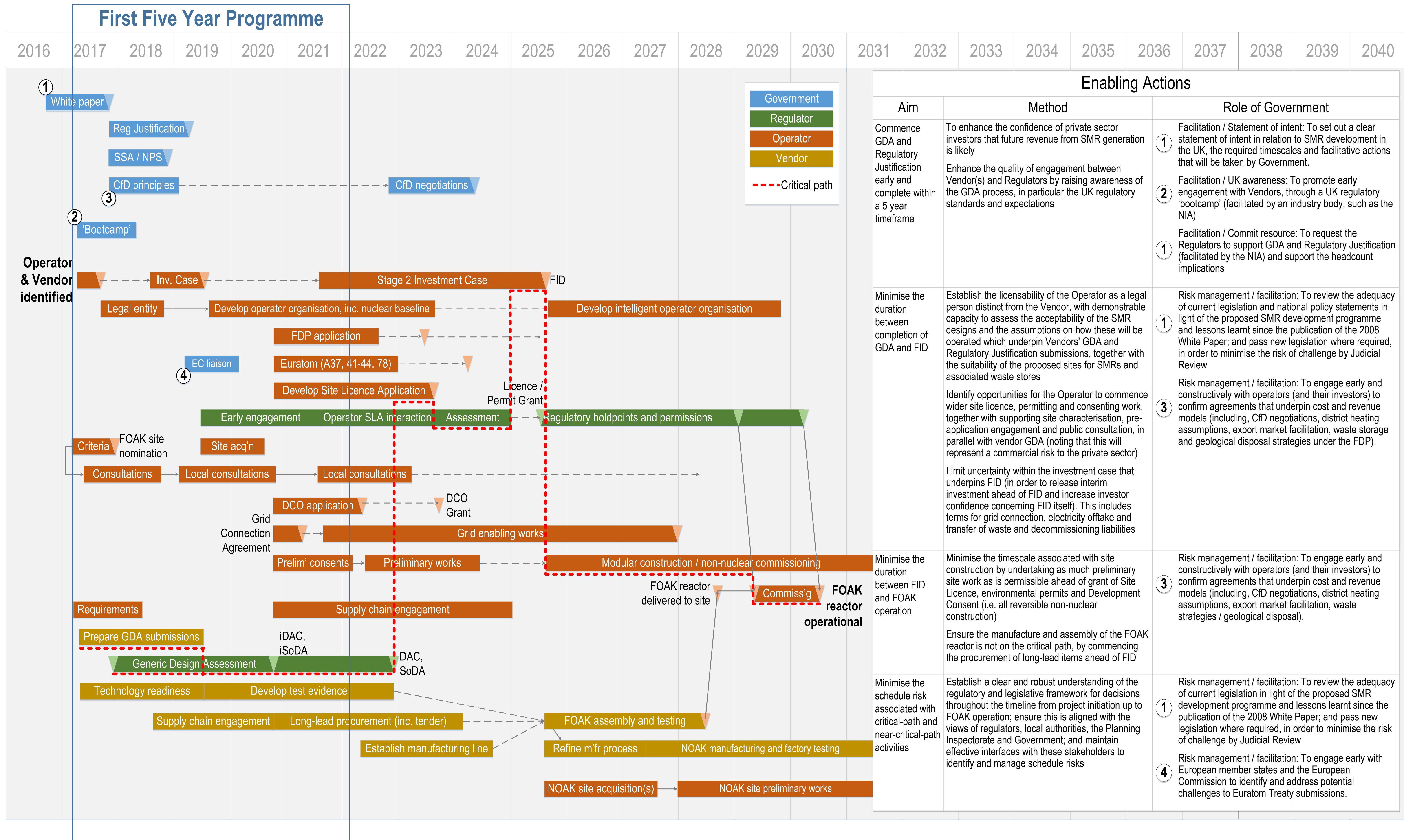
The purpose of the SMR Deployment Enablers project was to identify the activities needed to take place in the first five years of a development plan for UK SMRs and the necessary capability of the SMR utility/developer organisation during this phase. Selection processes are out of scope so the starting assumption for the project is that both the SMR utility/developer and reactor vendor have already been identified.

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Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) UK SMR FOAK Development Programme





Enabling Actions		
Aim	Method	Role of Government
Commence GDA and Regulatory Justification early and complete within a 5 year timeframe	To enhance the confidence of private sector investors that future revenue from SMR generation is likely Enhance the quality of engagement between Vendor(s) and Regulators by raising awareness of the GDA process, in particular the UK regulatory standards and expectations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitation / Statement of intent: To set out a clear statement of intent in relation to SMR development in the UK, the required timescales and facilitative actions that will be taken by Government. Facilitation / UK awareness: To promote early engagement with Vendors, through a UK regulatory 'bootcamp' (facilitated by an industry body, such as the NIA) Facilitation / Commit resource: To request the Regulators to support GDA and Regulatory Justification (facilitated by the NIA) and support the headcount implications
Minimise the duration between completion of GDA and FID	Establish the licensability of the Operator as a legal person distinct from the Vendor, with demonstrable capacity to assess the acceptability of the SMR designs and the assumptions on how these will be operated which underpin Vendors' GDA and Regulatory Justification submissions, together with the suitability of the proposed sites for SMRs and associated waste stores Identify opportunities for the Operator to commence wider site licence, permitting and consenting work, together with supporting site characterisation, pre-application engagement and public consultation, in parallel with vendor GDA (noting that this will represent a commercial risk to the private sector)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Risk management / facilitation: To review the adequacy of current legislation and national policy statements in light of the proposed SMR development programme and lessons learnt since the publication of the 2008 White Paper; and pass new legislation where required, in order to minimise the risk of challenge by Judicial Review Risk management / facilitation: To engage early and constructively with operators (and their investors) to confirm agreements that underpin cost and revenue models (including, CfD negotiations, district heating assumptions, export market facilitation, waste storage and geological disposal strategies under the FDP).
Minimise the duration between FID and FOAK operation	Limit uncertainty within the investment case that underpins FID (in order to release interim investment ahead of FID and increase investor confidence concerning FID itself). This includes terms for grid connection, electricity offtake and transfer of waste and decommissioning liabilities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Risk management / facilitation: To engage early and constructively with operators (and their investors) to confirm agreements that underpin cost and revenue models (including, CfD negotiations, district heating assumptions, export market facilitation, waste strategies / geological disposal).
Minimise the schedule risk associated with critical-path and near-critical-path activities	Minimise the timescale associated with site construction by undertaking as much preliminary site work as is permissible ahead of grant of Site Licence, environmental permits and Development Consent (i.e. all reversible non-nuclear construction) Ensure the manufacture and assembly of the FOAK reactor is not on the critical path, by commencing the procurement of long-lead items ahead of FID	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Risk management / facilitation: To review the adequacy of current legislation in light of the proposed SMR development programme and lessons learnt since the publication of the 2008 White Paper; and pass new legislation where required, in order to minimise the risk of challenge by Judicial Review Risk management / facilitation: To engage early with European member states and the European Commission to identify and address potential challenges to Euratom Treaty submissions.

