

# The New Age PMO

Moving beyond a support model to strategic leadership

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### What does the acronym PMO mean to you?

#### Does it mean:

- A. A great addition to our business a place I can go to get clear advice and support to help me deliver?
- B. A PM Overhead a place where the failed PMs go to be employed to collate reports for head office?



#### Survey says....



https://www.aipm.com.au/images/news/report.aspx



of organisations use a centralised PMO to coordinate projects.



of organisations rate their centralized PMO's ability to support and effect change at very or extremely effective



of organisations have disestablished a centralised PMO in the past two years.



of organisations with successful projects delivery co-ordinated by a centralised PMO

### Beyond the Postbox PMO

#### The "traditional" PMO roles:

- Postbox/Report Collector
- Resource Manager
- External governance/QA/policing role
- Heavy in process
- PM CoE training and development



In essence, not a business partner but an overhead....



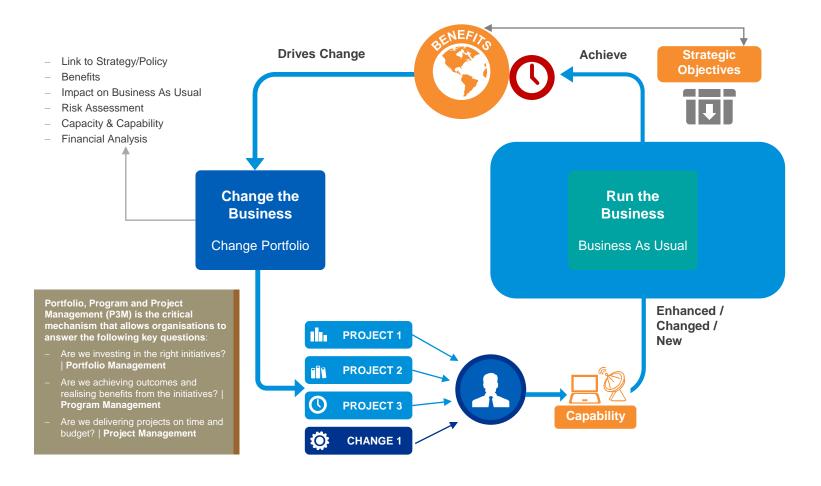
# Where to?





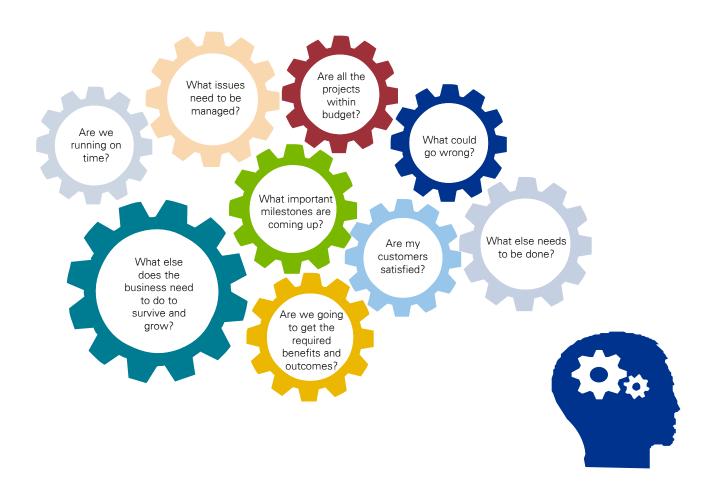
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# The Strategic Change Environment



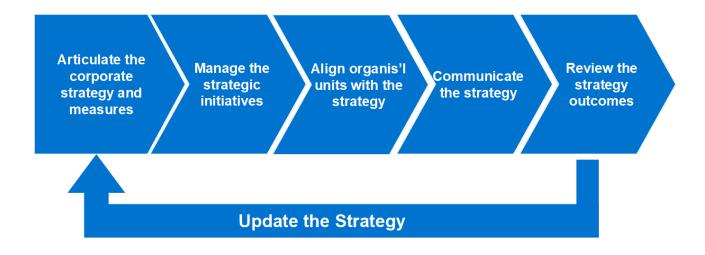


#### What do the Exec need?





# Strategic Execution Process



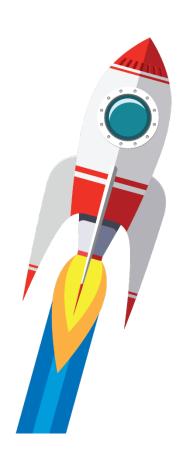
"Organizations with a formal strategy execution process are dramatically outperforming organizations without a formal process"

Source: Kaplan and Norton, "The Execution Premium", Harvard Business Press 2008



### Key Steps

- Baby steps
- Check today's situation are you currently weighting strategic alignment correctly in initiative viability assessment
- Look to assist strategy facilitation
- Re-work reporting and resourcing to underscore strategic alignment
- Establish continuous re-assessment of portfolio to ensure most important initiatives are receiving resource priority
- Stakeholder dependency and alignment assessment
- Assist Senior Management understand, monitor and manage benefits delivery from portfolio









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