Reflections

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The challenge before construction begins

- Delivery capacity is under strain before construction begins
- Funding constraints, shifting policy, and early-stage pressures are cited as key barriers to project delivery.
- National policy adding further complexity

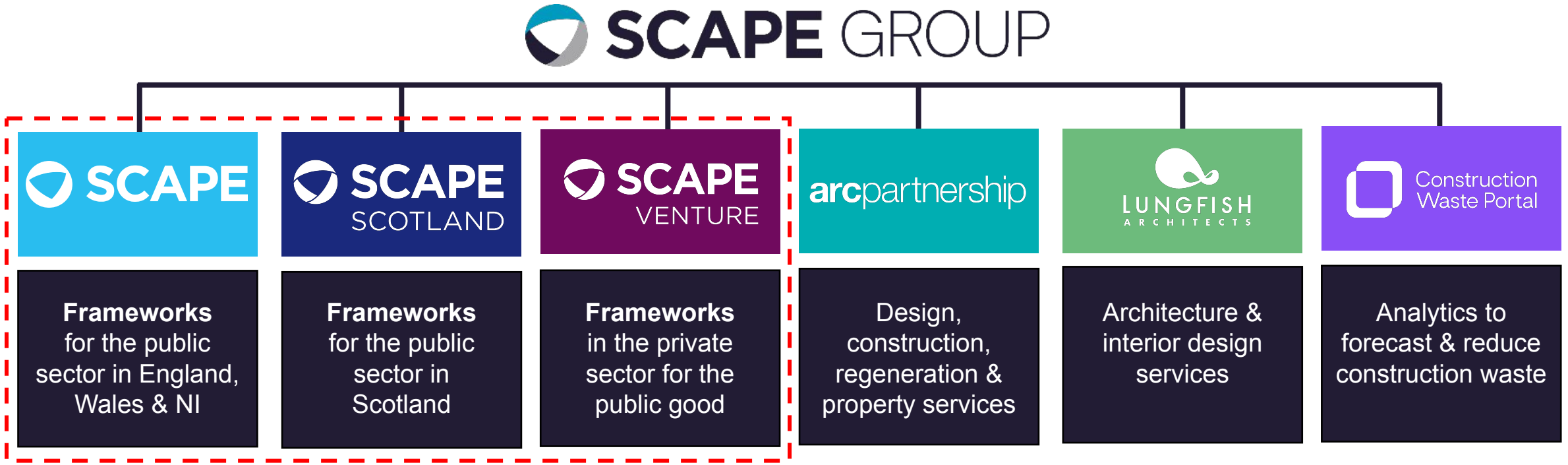
Keeping projects moving

How do we strengthen our delivery approach?

- 57% believe long term frameworks with trusted suppliers will build long-term resilience.
- 94% want great funding certainty
- 59% wanted to see simplified funding and approval processes.

Delivering outcomes on the ground

Organisational structure



Local Authority owned

Derby City Council

DERBYSHIRE County Council

Warwickshire County Council

Nottingham City Council

Gateshead Council

Nottinghamshire County Council

SCAPE's Frameworks

Gold Standard frameworks that deliver exceptional outcomes

Construction

Cumulative value
£14bn

Consultancy

Cumulative value
£1bn

Civil Engineering

Cumulative value
£4bn

Regional Construction

Cumulative value
£750m

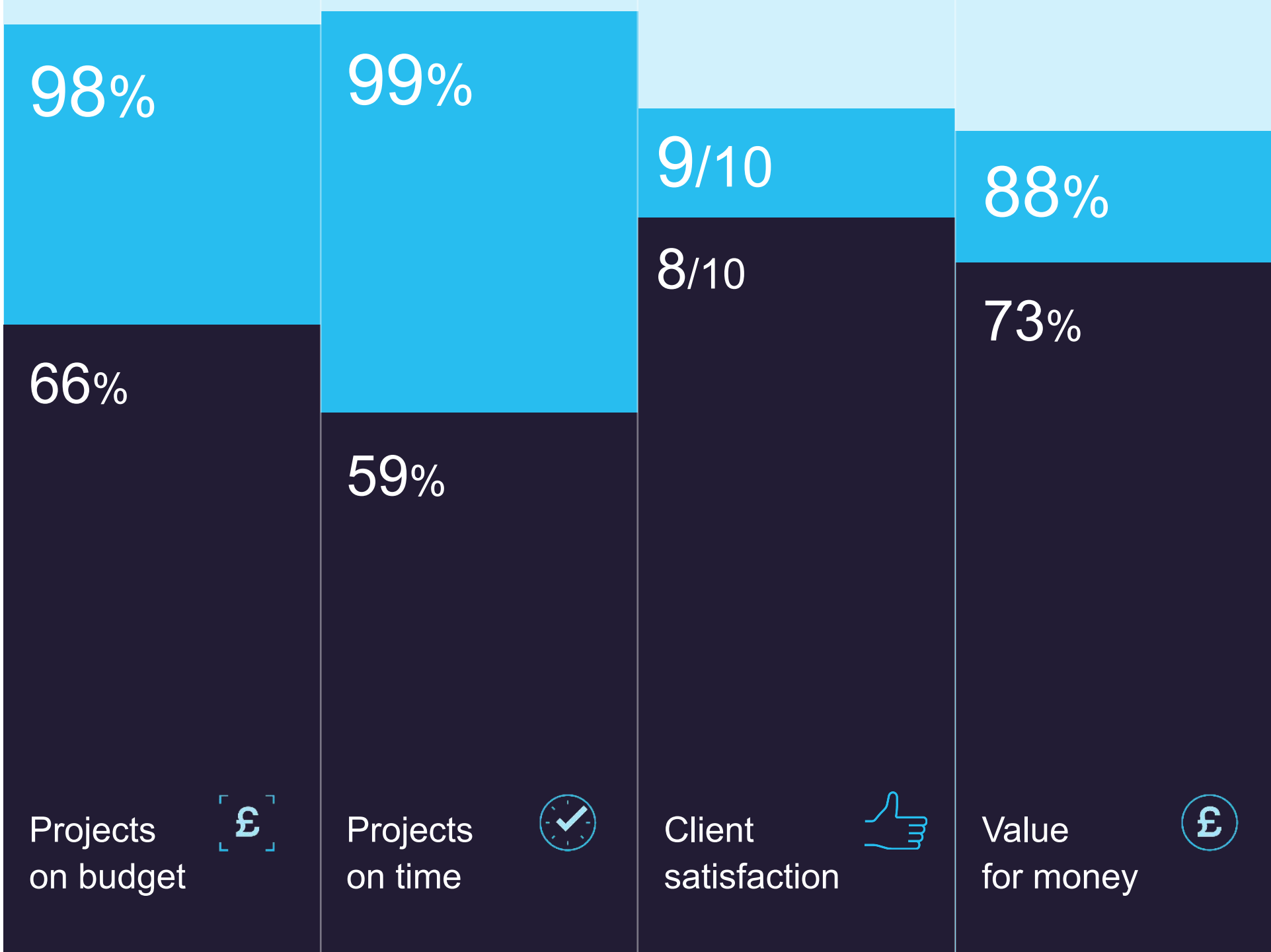
Utilities (Works & Services)

Cumulative value
£4bn

Utilities (Consultancy)

Cumulative value
£750m

Performance
to be proud of



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UK industry standard*

*Source:
UK Industry Performance Report by Glenigan

Social Value Benchmarking Report 2025

SCAPE's annual social value benchmarking report puts project outcomes in context of the wider public sector.

Our industry recognised report examines both the scope and extent of social value delivered, provides examples of best practice and recommendations for improving social value delivery in the coming year.

418 projects

£1.2bn social value

27.3% social value added

Thank you

Further reading:

Transport for London case study:
Transport for London, Lost Property Office | SCAPE

Social Value Benchmarking Report:
SCAPE | Social Value in Construction Benchmarking Report

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