
Gate three query process

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Query

In Annex 8B ACWG Expenditure by AMP and RAPID Efficiency of Expenditure, there is no expenditure category for 'Option benefits development and appraisal'. Please provide the expenditure for this category or if you cannot provide it, please explain the reason for not having an expenditure category for Options benefits development and appraisal in your Efficiency of Expenditure table.

Solution owner response

In our Gate Three Interim Update (sent to RAPID on 31st May 2023) and included as Annex 8C of our Gate Three submission, we used the ACWG template to describe our expected costs (both actual and forecasted) for Gate Three. Table 4 of Annex 8C of the submission shows the 10 category lines required of this version of the template, including the Option Appraisal value of £26k (in 2017-18 values).

On the 20th October 2023 a new version of the ACWG template was circulated by the ACWG from RAPID which shows that the template had been revised and simplified to 9 category lines (removing the Option Appraisal category line), building in feedback from the ACWG working groups with RAPID.

Following the release of this new template, we moved the £26k of costs associated with Option Appraisal into the Feasibility and Design category line where we believed they best fitted.

Since 20th October 2023 we have been using the updated version of the ACWG template. In Annex 8B the ACWG template is the one from October 2023 (currently in use version), rather than the one in use in May 2023 (Annex 8C).

Date of response to RAPID	4/9/24
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