Department for Education

Top level curriculum planning timeline example

Stage	Months prior to implementation year	Activity	Governor oversight and Stakeholder Involvement
Strategic review and planning	-15 months- June prior to delivery *year* ***(for first teach of reformed quals June 24)***	Strategic research into provision- ***review current offer and ensure cross-referenced against reformed quals/quals to be de-funded***	Governor strategic oversight through strategic planning
	-12 months- Sept prior to delivery ***(for first teach of reformed quals Sept 24)***	New course proposals	Employer and stakeholder engagement in planning
Annual curriculum planning cycle	-11 months- Oct prior to delivery	Review of existing and ***new course/reformed quals provision***	
	-10 months- Nov prior to delivery	Annual curriculum planning cycle initiated	
	-8 months- Jan prior to delivery	Course listing and allied funding worked up	
	-7 months- Feb prior to delivery	Resourcing and budgeting	
	-6 months- March prior to delivery	Completed first draft of curriculum plan for feedback	Governor review of draft plan
	-4 months- May prior to delivery	Completed first draft of curriculum plan signed off by all parties	Governor oversight and validation of next year's plan
	-3/2 months- June/July prior to delivery	Finalisation of budget, including staffing	Governor oversight and validation of following year's budget
Implementation, monitoring and reconciliation	+0/1 months- September 2025	Validation of actual numbers against planned numbers and viability of provision as enrolments are secured	
	+2 months onwards November 2025	In-year monitoring and reconciliation	