# Project plan outline

#### **Problem statement**

- Identify the problem
- Provide evidence that the problem exists
- Argue why the problem warrants immediate attention

## **Project mission statement**

What the organization does to achieve the vision

- Action statement
- Clear focus

# **Project objectives**

### **S**pecific

**M**easurable

**A**ttainable

Realistic

Time-bound

# **Project work requirements**

The project deliverables and their constituent features, presented as an outline.

## Exit criteria

Each milestone should have criteria established that will be used to determine whether the preceding phase of work is actually finished.

#### Work breakdown structure

An identification of all of the tasks that must be performed in order to achieve project objectives.

# Milestone and working schedules

## **Required resources**

- People
- Equipment
- Materials
- Facilities

## **Control system**

- Quality assurance
- Conflict resolution
- Change control

# **Major contributors**

Linear responsibility chart in which each team members responsibilities and tasks are identified (Heagney, 2012, p. 74)

# Risk areas with contingencies

Example table header:

RISK PROBABILITY IMPACT TRIGGER MITIGATING ACTION(S)

# **Potential risk categories:**

- Technical
- Cost
- Schedule
- Client
- Contractual
- Weather
- Financial
- Political
- Environmental
- People

Additionally, consider risks that may be associated with:

- Goals
- Roles and responsibilities
- Procedures
- Relationships

High impact: three (3) contingencies

Medium impact: one (1) contingency

Low impact: it is not necessary to identify any contingencies