Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
3 (i)	$x\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{18}=x \Rightarrow x\left(\sqrt{2}-1\right)=\sqrt{18} \Rightarrow x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{2}-1}$	M1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}}{\sqrt{2}-1}\times\dfrac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$	dM1	3.1a
	$x=\dfrac{\sqrt{18}\left(\sqrt{2}+1\right)}{1}=6+3\sqrt{2}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
(ii)	$4^{3x-2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow 2^{6x-4}=2^{-\frac{3}{2}}$	M1	2.5
	$6x-4=-\dfrac{3}{2} \Rightarrow x=...$	dM1	1.1b
	$x=\dfrac{5}{12}$	A1	1.1b
		(3)	
			(6 marks)

Notes

(i)

M1: Combines the terms in *x*, factorises and divides to find *x*. Condone sign slips and ignore any attempts to simplify $\sqrt{18}$

Alternatively squares both sides $x\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{18}=x \Rightarrow 2x^2-12x+18=x^2$

dM1: Scored for a complete method to find *x*. In the main scheme it is for making *x* the subject and then multiplying both numerator and denominator by $\sqrt{2}+1$

In the alternative it is for squaring both sides to produce a 3TQ and then factorising their quadratic equation to find *x*. (usual rules apply for solving quadratics)

A1: $x=6+3\sqrt{2}$ only following a correct intermediate line. Allow $\dfrac{6+3\sqrt{2}}{1}$ as an intermediate line.

In the alternative method the $6-3\sqrt{2}$ must be discarded.

(ii)

M1: Uses correct mathematical notation and attempts to set both sides as powers of 2 or 4.

Eg $2^{ax+b}=2^c$ or $4^{dx+e}=4^f$ is sufficient for this mark.

Alternatively uses logs (base 2 or 4) to get a linear equation in *x*.

$4^{3x-2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow \log_2 4^{3x-2}=\log_2\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow 2\left(3x-2\right)=\log_2\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$.

Or $4^{3x-2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow 3x-2=\log_4\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}$

Or $4^{3x-2}=\dfrac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \Rightarrow 4^{3x}=4\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow 3x=\log_4 4\sqrt{2}$

dM1: Scored for a complete method to find *x*.
Scored for setting the indices of 2 or 4 equal to each other and then solving to find *x*.
There must be an attempt on both sides.

You can condone slips for this mark Eg bracketing errors $4^{3x-2} = 2^{2\times3x-2}$ or $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} = 2^{-1+\frac{1}{2}}$

In the alternative method candidates cannot just write down the answer to the rhs.

So expect some justification. E.g. $\log_2 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} = \log_2 2^{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{3}{2}$

or $\log_4 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} = \log_4 2^{-\frac{3}{2}} = -\frac{3}{2}\times\frac{1}{2}$ condoning slips as per main scheme

or $3x = \log_4 4\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow 3x = 1 + \frac{1}{4}$

A1: $x = \frac{5}{12}$ with correct intermediate work