

City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Thursday, 14 October 2021 at 10.30 am

Present:

Councillors:

Councillor Emlyn Dol Carmarthenshire Council

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Ted Latham Neath Port Talbot Council

R C Stewart Swansea Council

Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:

Chris Foxall Interim Chair of Swansea Economic Strategy Board

Steve Wilks Swansea University

Officers:

Richard Arnold Finance Manager (Swansea Bay City Region)

Jonathan Burnes Director (Swansea Bay City Region)

Karen Jones Chief Executive (Neath Port Talbot Council)

Tracey Meredith Joint Committee Monitoring Officer (Swansea Council)

Chris Moore Joint S151 Officer (Carmarthenshire Council)

Phil Roberts Chief Executive (Swansea Council)

Phil Ryder Swansea Bay City Deal Programme Office Wendy Walters Chief Executive (Carmarthenshire Council)

Samantha Woon Democratic Services Officer

Apologies for Absence:

Councillor(s) Councillor David Simpson (Pembrokeshire Council)

Maria Battle (Hywel Dda University Health Board) and Medwin Hughes (University of Wales Trinity Saint David)

1 Election of Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee Chair.

Resolved that Councillor R C Stewart be elected as Chair of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee.

Councillor R C Stewart (Chair) presided.

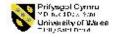
















2 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, the following interests were declared;

Chris Foxall – Minute No. 6 - Review of Chair of the Economic Strategy Board Personal & Prejudicial Interest. Chris Foxall left the meeting during consideration of Minute no. 6.

Steve Wilks – Minute No 7. - Swansea Bay City Deal Campuses Business Case – personal interest.

3 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Joint Consultative Committee held on 8 July, 2021 and 28 July 2021 be signed and approved as correct records.

4 Announcement(s) of the Chair.

There were no announcements.

5 Public Questions

There were no public questions.

6 Review of Chair of the Economic Strategy Board.

The Chair presented a report which sought approval from the Joint Committee for the nominations for Chair and Vice Chair of the Economic Strategy Board.

Resolved that:

- 1) Chris Foxall be appointed as Chair of the Economic Strategy Board; and
- 2) Amanda Davies as Vice Chair of the Economic Strategy Board.

7 Swansea Bay City Deal Campuses Business Case.

Keith Lloyd (Project Lead/SRO) provided a presentation which sought approval of the Life Sciences, Well-being and Sports Outline Business Case for submission to the UK and Welsh Governments with a view to drawing down £15m of capital investment.

Resolved that:

1) The Business Case for the submission to UK Government and Welsh Government be formally approved.

8 Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District - Innovation Matrix Change Request Update.

Resolved that consideration of the report be deferred to the next meeting.

9 Swansea Bay City Deal Highlight Report.

Phillip Ryder (Swansea Bay City Deal Programme Office) provided a 'for information' update on the progress of programmes/projects that form part of the Swansea City Deal Portfolio.

He outlined and updated the Joint Committee on the current situation relating to the following areas:

- Business Engagement.
- Yr Egin.
- Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District.
- Pentre Awel.
- Homes as Power Stations.
- Digital Infrastructure.
- Pembroke Dock Marine.
- Supporting Innovation & Low Carbon Growth.
- Skills & Talent.
- SBCD Campuses.

The Chair thanked Mr Ryder for his informative presentation and expressed his thanks.

10 Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio Gateway Review and Action Plan.

Ian Williams (SBCD Portfolio Development Manager) presented a report which sought approval of the Action Plan in response to the Gateway 0 Review Recommendations.

Resolved that:

1) The Gateway Review Action Plan (detailed in Appendix A) be approved as the response to the Gateway 0 Review Recommendations (detailed in Appendix B).

11 Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Strategy.

Richard Arnold (Finance Manager Swansea Bay City Region) presented the Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Strategy for the Swansea Bay City Deal.

Resolved

1) The Anti-Fraud and Anti-Corruption Strategy be approved.

12 Swansea Bay City Deal Financial Monitoring 2020/21 - Forecast Outturn Position.

Richard Arnold (Finance Manager Swansea Bay City Region) presented an update report of the latest financial position of the Swansea Bay City Region.

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Resolved that:

1) The Joint Committee reviewed the financial monitoring update report.

13 Swansea Bay City Deal Welsh Language Guidance.

Amanda Burns (Senior Portfolio Support Officer) presented a report which detailed the SBCD Portfolio Welsh Language Guidance.

Resolved that:

1) The Guidance set out by the SBCD PoMO (detailed at Appendix A) be approved.

14 Swansea Bay City Deal Meeting Protocol.

Jonathan Burnes (Director Swansea Bay City Region) presented a report detailing the SBCD Governance Board Meeting Protocol.

Resolved that:

1) The SBCD Governance Board Meeting Protocol be approved.

The meeting ended at 11.27 am

Chair