

Notice of Meeting

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Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

At: Multi-Location Meeting - Gloucester Room, Guildhall / MS Teams

On: Thursday, 27 July 2023

Time: 2.30 pm

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Membership:

Councillors:

Councillor Steve Hunt	Neath Port Talbot Council
Councillor Darren Price	Carmarthenshire County Council
Councillor David Simpson	Pembrokeshire Council
Councillor Rob Stewart	Swansea Council

Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:

Maria Battle	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Paul Boyle	Swansea University
Chris Foxall	Chair of Swansea Economic Strategy Board
Professor Medwin Hughes	University of Wales Trinity Saint David
Emma Woollett	Swansea Bay University Health Board

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2 Apologies for Absence.

3 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

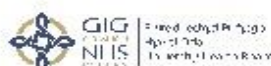
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4 Minutes.

To approve & sign the Minutes of the previous meeting(s) as a correct record.

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5 Announcement(s) of the Chair.



6 Public Questions

Questions can be submitted in writing to Democratic Services democracy@swansea.gov.uk up until noon on the working day prior to the meeting. Written questions take precedence. Public may attend and ask questions in person if time allows. Questions must relate to items on the open part of the agenda and will be dealt within a 10 minute period.

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Huw Evans
Head of Democratic Services
Thursday, 20 July 2023

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Agenda Item 4

City and County of Swansea



Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

Multi-Location Meeting - Gloucester Room, Guildhall / MS Teams

Thursday, 11 May 2023 at 10.30 am

Present: Councillor Rob Stewart (Swansea Council) Presided

Councillors:

Steve Hunt Neath Port Talbot Council
Darren Price Carmarthenshire County Council

Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:

Paul Boyle Swansea University
Chris Foxall Chair of Swansea Economic Strategy Board

Officers:

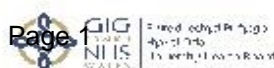
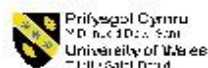
Peter Austin Swansea Bay City Region
Jonathan Burnes Director (Swansea Bay City Region)
Scott Dummett Swansea Council
Karen Jones Chief Executive (Neath Port Talbot Council)
Allison Lowe Swansea Council
Chris Moore Joint S151 Officer (Carmarthenshire Council)
Martin Nicholls Chief Executive (Swansea Council)
Anthony Parnell Carmarthenshire County Council
Phil Ryder Swansea Bay City Region
Wendy Walters Chief Executive (Carmarthenshire Council)

Apologies for Absence:

Councillor(s) David Simpson (Pembrokeshire Council)
Maria Battle (Hywel Dda University Health Board) and Emma Woollett (Swansea Bay University Health Board)
Tracey Meredith (Joint Committee Monitoring Officer (Swansea Council))

57 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct no interests were declared.



58 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee held on 6 April 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

59 Announcement(s) of the Chair.

There were no announcements made.

60 Public Questions

There were no public questions.

61 Swansea Bay City Deal Quarterly Portfolio Monitoring.

Phil Ryder presented a report to inform the Joint Committee of the Swansea Bay City Deal Quarterly Monitoring report for both the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects.

Resolved that:

- 1) Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee notes the Quarterly Monitoring Report for the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects;
- 2) A formal or informal update be provided on the Homes as Power Stations (HAPS) projects.

62 Provisional Allocation of £5.3m Swansea Bay City Deal Funds and Swansea Bay City Deal Supporting Innovation & Low Carbon Growth (SILCG) - Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility (AMPF) Project Amendment Summary.

Jonathan Burnes presented a report to formally ask the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee to approve the updating of the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth (SILCG) business case in order to include enhanced Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility (AMPF), namely inclusion of a National Net Zero Skills Centre of Excellence.

Resolved that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee:

- 1) Approves that the £5.3m unallocated Swansea Bay City Deal funding is in principle allocated to Neath Port Talbot Council for the purposes outlined in the enhanced Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility Project Summary attached at Appendix A;
- 2) Requests Neath Port Talbot Council to formally proceed with the development of the SILCG Business Case to include the enhanced Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility project;
- 3) Approves the Business Case proceeding through the business case approval and change process as outlined in Appendix B.

63 Private Sector Investment / Contribution Report. (For Information)

Peter Austin provided a "For Information" report to update the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee on the current situation with Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio private sector investment and contributions as at Appendix A.

64 Joint Committee Forward Work Plan.

Jonathan Burnes presented a report to inform the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee of the latest Forward Work Plan.

Resolved that the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee approves the Forward Work Plan as Appendix A.

65 Thanks.

The Chair reported that Phil Ryder had been successful in securing a new position outside of the Swansea Bay City Deal.

On behalf of the Committee he thanked Phil Ryder for all of his work with the City Deal and contribution to the Region.

The meeting ended at 11.17 am

Chair

Agenda Item 7



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 27 July 2023

Internal Audit Recommendation Report 2022-23

Purpose:	To consider and approve the findings and actions of the 2022-23 Internal Audit review into the SBCD Portfolio.
Policy Framework:	Internal Audit Governance Arrangements Internal Audit Charter Joint Committee Agreement
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee: 1) Reviews and approves the findings and actions of the 2022-23 Internal Audit review into the SBCD Portfolio.
Report Author:	Matthew Holder, Head of Internal Audit, SBCD
Finance Officer:	Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith, Deputy Chief Monitoring Officer, SBCD

1. Introduction

- 1.1 An Internal Audit review of the Swansea Bay City Deal has been carried out as agreed by the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee on 10 November 2022.

2. Main Body of Report

The Internal audit aims to provide assurance that the Swansea Bay City Deal has adequate governance, internal control, financial management and risk management arrangements in place, which are operating effectively and assisting it to achieve its objectives.

- 2.1 The Internal Audit Scope for 2022-23 covered the following key areas:

- Governance
 - Follow Up of Previous Recommendations

- Joint Committee Agreement, Governance Boards & Decision Making
- Assurance, Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements
- Internal Control
 - Project Management, Process and Monitoring
 - Impact of Inflation and Construction Price Rises
 - Project Outcomes and Benefit Realisation
- Financial Management
 - Budgetary Control
 - Grant Funding
- Risk Management Arrangements

2.2 The Internal Audit report has determined an audit assurance rating of ‘Substantial’; There are no or few weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, and they would either be unlikely to occur or their impact is not likely to affect the achievement of the SBCD objectives.

2.3 The Internal Audit review into Swansea Bay City Deal concluded the following recommendations:

Audit Element	Recommendation	Timescale for Action
<p>It was noted that there is no direct connection between the financial status of Programmes/ Projects and the overall status of Programmes/ Projects. Whilst a RAG rating of the financial status is included at a summary level the detail provided relates to overall budgets rather than whether actual spend is in line with budgets, or whether grant drawn-down is in line with the forecasted funding profile. The detailing of parameters would also allow Members to understand the boundaries within each RAG rating is applied. Enhanced financial reporting would allow a greater correlation between activities and finances for each of the Headline Programmes/Projects.</p> <p>Testing identified that there is currently slippage in time recorded against the delivery date for nine Programmes/ Projects. Whilst this is currently highlighted in terms of RAG rating, reporting could be enhanced by providing a narrative indication within the Quarterly Monitoring report as to the level of slippage when compared to the original planned timescale. This would provide Members with a greater insight into the progress of projects, and enable greater scrutiny on projects which are significantly behind target.</p>	<p>As each of the Programmes/Projects move into full delivery, quarterly monitoring reports presented to the Joint Committee and Programme (Portfolio) Board should be developed to incorporate enhanced financial monitoring, including whether expenditure is in line with forecasts and whether grant drawn-down is in line with the agreed funding profile. Reporting would also benefit from enhanced data regarding delivery timescales. This would provide correlation and synergy between project progress and financial reporting.</p>	<p>June 2023 (end of Q1 2023-24)</p>

Audit Element	Recommendation	Timescale for Action
<p>Change notifications are managed at Programme/Project level, with a requirement for the PoMO to be notified for reporting purposes. Thresholds for changes to cost/time/quality have not been formally defined, which could result in ambiguity within Programmes/Projects as to whether a change notification is required to be submitted to the PoMO.</p>	<p>The change notification process (including potential baseline thresholds) should be clearly defined, to provide clarity to Programmes/Projects as to when they need to comply with the change notification process, and bring consistency across the Portfolio.</p>	<p>September 2023 (end of Q2 2023-24)</p>
<p>The PoMO are monitoring the impact of the current financial climate on the Portfolio. A detailed update to Programme (Portfolio) Board took place in November 2022. Review of the paper presented identified that potential mitigating actions have been documented, and a qualitative assessment undertaken against these. However, there was no detail recorded of the quantitative impact of the mitigations. Given the volatility on the market, and the impact this could have on the Portfolio, regular detailed updates should be provided. Additionally, further detail regarding the funding gap, and potential mitigations, should be provided to Joint Committee, to allow Members to be fully appraised of the mitigating actions being taken by the PoMO, Programmes and Projects.</p>	<p>Regular updates on the impact of the current financial climate should be tabled as standing agenda items for the Programme (Portfolio) Board to enable regular monitoring on the impact of the current climate on the Portfolio. This should include periodic updates to the financial assessment, and regular review of the mitigating actions developed to ensure they are deliverable, and achieving the intended benefit. Periodic updates on the forecast pressure and mitigating actions should also be provided to the Joint Committee, to keep them fully appraised of the matter.</p>	<p>June 2023 (end of Q1 2023-24)</p>
<p>The Joint Committee approved the five-year budget (2020-21 to 2024-25) for the administration and support functions of the Swansea Bay City Deal on 09 July 2020. Annual budgets are also presented to Joint Committee for approval. At the time of the Internal Audit review a draft budget for the 2023-24 financial year had not been prepared. The 2023-24 draft budget is due to be presented to the Programme (Portfolio) Board on 16 May 2023.</p>	<p>The development of the Swansea Bay City Region budget for 2023-24 should be concluded at the earliest opportunity (recognising that a five-year budget has previously been approved by the Joint Committee). Moving forward, arrangements should be made to ensure that draft budgets are presented for approval prior to the start of the upcoming financial year.</p>	<p>July 2023</p>
<p>Testing identified that only a small number (five) of grant claim forms had been received during 2022-23. Testing also identified that the grant claim forms are not always used consistently. Review of the grant claim forms identified that the incorrect amount of grant funding was paid on one occasion.</p>	<p>Grant claim forms should be used by all Programmes/Projects when requesting funding from Swansea Bay City Deal. Programmes/Projects in delivery should be advised that quarterly grant claims should be submitted, to allow funding to be distributed to lead bodies in a timely manner. Additionally, verification of the grant claim forms should be undertaken prior to payment being made, to ensure the total value of grant paid does not exceed the balances included within the payment profile.</p>	<p>Immediate</p>

3. Financial Implications

3.1 Financial implications as appropriate are detailed within the report and are linked to the recommendations.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 The Joint Committee Agreement provides that the Accountable Body will ensure that the finances and discharge of functions relating to the Swansea Bay City Deal are audited.

5. Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

5.1 The SBCD Portfolio and its constituent projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual project business cases.

Background Papers: Swansea Bay City Deal Internal Audit Terms of Reference 2022-23

Appendices:

Appendix A Internal Audit Report 2022-23

SWANSEA BAY CITY DEAL 2022-23

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	<u>Report Copied to:</u> Jon Burnes, Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio Director
	<u>Report Copied to:</u> Tracey Meredith, Swansea Bay City Deal Monitoring Officer
	<u>Auditor:</u> Charlotte Hodges, Principal Auditor
	<u>Rationale for Audit:</u> Annual Risk Based Review

Internal Audit Report No:	22079 (2022-23)
Assurance Rating:	Substantial
Fieldwork Completed:	21 April 2023
Draft Report:	27 April 2023
Management Comments:	05 June 2023
Final Report Issued:	06 June 2023

Introduction and Objectives

Swansea Bay City Deal is an investment of circa £1.2 billion across a portfolio of nine headline programmes and projects, delivering a combined total of 35 individual projects throughout the counties of Swansea, Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot and Pembrokeshire. An audit review of the Swansea Bay City Deal has been carried out as part of the 2022-23 Internal Audit Plan, as agreed by the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee on 02 February 2023.

The audit aims to provide assurance that Swansea Bay City Deal has adequate governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements in place, which are operating effectively and assisting it to achieve its objectives.

Audit Scope and Methodology

The scope of the audit review covered the following key areas:

- Governance
 - Follow Up of Previous Recommendations
 - Joint Committee Agreement, Governance Boards & Decision Making
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We took an evidence based approach to our audit review using interviews with staff, review of supporting documentation and sample testing to arrive at our opinion.

This audit review was performed following Internal Audit's standard methodology, in conformance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards. It should be noted that all testing undertaken as part of this review was on a sample basis, and therefore the results should be considered in this context. Internal Audit cannot provide absolute assurance of effectiveness.

Executive Summary

Satisfactory governance arrangements continue to be in place for Swansea Bay City Deal. Recommendations from previous Internal Audit reviews have been implemented with action plans developed and monitored to track progress relating to actions arising from Gateway reviews. Risk Management arrangements remain robust, with the Risk Management Strategy last reviewed and approved by the Joint Committee in November 2020.

Assurance, Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements are in place, and continue to evolve. Assurance arrangements have been strengthened during 2022-23 with Welsh Government approval of the Gateway Assurance Framework received, which provides a framework for the management resourcing and governance of Gateway assurance arrangements for the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio, and its constituent programmes, projects and workstreams. The Framework also provides clarity for programme and project Senior Responsible Officers (SROs) and their teams on the assurance arrangements that apply to the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio. The introduction of the Joint Assurance Panel underpins the Gateway Assurance Framework by providing oversight of the development and implementation of the arrangements set out which has strengthened and enhanced existing procedures.

A Change Control Procedure has been established, which is owned by the Programme (Portfolio) Board and highlights the changes that result from projects and programmes at Project, Programme and Portfolio level. At the time of the review, only three change notifications had been received during 2022-23 in relation to cost/quality/time of Programmes/Projects, however it is anticipated that the numbers of change notifications will escalate as Programmes/Projects progress through their delivery phases. Dashboards are presented to the Joint Committee on a quarterly basis, providing high level oversight on the progress of Programmes/Projects, with benefit realisation data now collated and included within the datasets presented. It would be advantageous if the dashboard reports were further developed to also include an indication of the financial status of the projects (for example amount of grant drawn-down against profiled spend), providing an overarching summary of each Programme/Project.

There is a clear awareness of the impact of the current financial climate, including inflation and construction price rises within the Portfolio Management Office (PoMO). An assessment of the potential funding gap, due to inflation and construction price rises, was undertaken during 2022-23, with a high level summary provided to the Joint Committee in November 2022, detailing that a £31m forecast funding gap had been identified. The Programme (Portfolio) Board were provided with an enhanced update, including potential mitigating actions. Monitoring of the impact of the current climate could be enhanced by ensuring regular updates to the financial assessment are undertaken, along with monitoring of mitigating actions to ensure they are deliverable and achieve the desired outcome, with results reported to the Governance Boards.

The Joint Committee approved the five-year budget (2020-21 to 2024-25) for the administration and support functions of the Swansea Bay City Deal on 09 July 2020. The Joint Committee approved the 2022-23 budget in June 2022, with the 2022-23 financial year being the final year for receipt of partner contributions. At the time of the audit, a draft budget for 2023-24 had not been prepared or presented for approval, however, Internal Audit were informed that the draft budget for 2023-24 is due to be presented to the next meeting of the Programme (Portfolio) Board, prior to submission to Joint Committee for approval.

Funding Agreements are now in place for all but one of the nine Headline Programmes/Projects. The grant claims process remains in place, however, the loss of the Finance Manager during November 2022 has identified weaknesses with continuity arrangements. A number of issues were identified during testing, relating to grant claim forms not being received in a timely manner from Programmes/Projects to allow grant funding to be distributed by Swansea Bay City Deal, grant claims not being submitted in a consistent format and a payment being made in excess of the payment profile for the 2022-23 financial year. Arrangements should be made to strengthen the grant claim process, ensuring suitable internal controls are in place.

MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

Monthly and quarterly monitoring reports are prepared and presented to the Joint Committee and the Programme (Portfolio) Board, providing a narrative update of Programme/Project Progress. The Progress/Reporting Dashboard provides Members with a high level summary of the progress of Programmes/Projects, and whether they are on track, along with key data such as the Portfolio Delivery Timeline, Risk Management, and Benefits Realisation data amongst other items. The Total Annual Investment is also submitted to Members. This process is supplemented by Highlight Reports, allowing members a summary update between quarterly reporting periods.

It was noted that there is no direct connection between the financial status of Programmes/Projects and the overall status of Programmes/Projects. Whilst a RAG rating of the financial status is included at a summary level the detail provided relates to overall budgets rather than whether actual spend is in line with budgets, or whether grant drawn-down is in line with the forecasted funding profile. The detailing of parameters would also allow Members to understand the boundaries within each RAG rating is applied. Enhanced financial reporting would allow a greater correlation between activities and finances for each of the Headline Programmes/Projects.

Testing identified that there is currently slippage in time recorded against the delivery date for nine Programmes/Projects. Whilst this is currently highlighted in terms of RAG rating, reporting could be enhanced by providing a narrative indication within the Quarterly Monitoring report as to the level of slippage when compared to the original planned timescale. This would provide Members with a greater insight into the progress of projects, and enable greater scrutiny on projects which are significantly behind target.

RECOMMENDATION

As each of the Programmes/Projects move into full delivery, quarterly monitoring reports presented to the Joint Committee and Programme (Portfolio) Board should be developed to incorporate enhanced financial monitoring, including whether expenditure is in line with forecasts and whether grant drawn-down is in line with the agreed funding profile. Reporting would also benefit from enhanced data regarding delivery timescales. This would provide correlation and synergy between project progress and financial reporting.

Grade: Important

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

Enhancements will be made to the project/programme financial monitoring as per recommendation from Q1 2023/24. This will be embedded with the existing quarterly monitoring arrangements, including the monitoring of forecasted/actual delivery timescales. In addition, the PoMO will continue to work with SROs and PMs to ensure the change management process is adhered to, with a particular focus on detailing financial and timescale changes in a timely manner.

Responsible Officer

Jonathan Burnes

Timescale for Action

Q1 2023/24

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

A defined Change Control Procedure is in place, and has been approved by the Joint Committee. During 2022-23, the PoMO received three change notifications. Internal Audit were advised that a formal Programme/Project change request is also anticipated to be received.

The Change Control Procedure states that “change control reporting will take place for all Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio change and include full summarisation for significant change and notification only of minor change”. Determination of ‘significant’ changes to Programmes/Projects has not been made within the Procedure, with the Portfolio Manager advising this would relate to an instance where any of the Portfolio benefits were impacted, or a substantial change in the required funding (for example 10%).

Change notifications are managed at Programme/Project level, with a requirement for the PoMO to be notified for reporting purposes. Thresholds for changes to cost/time/quality have not been formally defined, which could result in ambiguity within Programmes/Projects as to whether a change notification is required to be submitted to the PoMO. The introduction of baseline thresholds would enable a consistency in approach across all Programmes/Projects and support the PoMO in gathering the necessary Programme/Project intelligence data.

RECOMMENDATION

The change notification process (including potential baseline thresholds) should be clearly defined, to provide clarity to Programmes/Projects as to when they need to comply with the change notification process, and bring consistency across the Portfolio.

Grade: Important

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

The PoMO will clarify the process and continue to send a consistent message out to all SROs/PMs to submit change notifications, reducing ambiguity on the process. In addition, a review of the Change Control Procedure and thresholds will be undertaken through consultation with key SBCD stakeholders.

Responsible Officer

Jonathan Burnes

Timescale for Action

Q2 2023/24

IMPACT OF INFLATION AND CONSTRUCTION PRICE RISES

The PoMO are monitoring the impact of the current financial climate on the Portfolio. Increase in Cost of Construction is recorded as a red risk on the Portfolio Risk Register, as is 'Pressure on Construction Industry to meet demand'. Five projects also detail construction risks within the latest Highlight Report.

To ensure the Joint Committee remain apprised of the situation, the PoMO have introduced a Construction Impact Assessment Summary Report into the Quarterly Report which is submitted to Governance Boards. Joint Committee were advised in the November 2022 update that the PoMO had undertaken an assessment of the potential funding gap for the portfolio, following a request from the Programme (Portfolio) Board, and had identified a forecast funding gap of £31m as a result of inflation and increased construction costs. A detailed Construction Impact Assessment was also included as an appendix to the updated Business Case that was submitted to Joint Committee in April 2023.

A detailed update to Programme (Portfolio) Board took place in November 2022. Review of the paper presented identified that potential mitigating actions have been documented, and a qualitative assessment undertaken against these. However, there was no detail recorded of the quantitative impact of the mitigations. Given the volatility on the market, and the impact this could have on the Portfolio, regular detailed updates should be provided. Additionally, further detail regarding the funding gap, and potential mitigations, should be provided to Joint Committee, to allow Members to be fully apprised of the mitigating actions being taken by the PoMO, Programmes and Projects.

RECOMMENDATION

Regular updates on the impact of the current financial climate should be tabled as standing agenda items for the Programme (Portfolio) Board to enable regular monitoring on the impact of the current climate on the Portfolio. This should include periodic updates to the financial assessment, and regular review of the mitigating actions developed to ensure they are deliverable, and achieving the intended benefit. Periodic updates on the forecast pressure and mitigating actions should also be provided to the Joint Committee, to keep them fully apprised of the matter.

Grade: Important

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

The rising costs and inflationary pressures will continue to be monitored and mitigated as a red risk to the SBCD Portfolio. The Monthly Construction Impact Assessment and Construction Cost Mitigation Assessment documents will be merged and reported to JC from Q1 2023/24. This will include all project/programme details on the financial pressures (risks and issues) and mitigating actions either planned or taking place.

Responsible Officer

Jonathan Burnes

Timescale for Action

Q1 2023/24

BUDGETARY CONTROL

There has been a staffing change within the financial management arrangements for Swansea Bay City Deal during 2022-23, with the departure of the Finance Manager in November 2022. Following an unsuccessful recruitment exercise to replace the Finance Manager, temporary arrangements have been developed, with an Interim Officer appointed, who is supported by members of Carmarthenshire County Council's Finance team.

The Joint Committee approved the five-year budget (2020-21 to 2024-25) for the administration and support functions of the Swansea Bay City Deal on 09 July 2020. Annual budgets are also presented to Joint Committee for approval. The 2022-23 budget was presented to the Programme (Portfolio) Board on 29 March 2022, and approved by the Joint Committee on 23 June 2022. At the time of the Internal Audit review a draft budget for the 2023-24 financial year had not been prepared. The 2023-24 draft budget is due to be presented to the Programme (Portfolio) Board on 16 May 2023. The 2022-23 financial year was the final year in which contributions were received from partner organisations to support the PoMO budget; with future years' budget to be funded via the top slice of grant funding.

Budget monitoring reports are submitted to the relevant Governance Boards on a quarterly basis to inform members of the current financial position. At the time of the audit review, it was predicted that the overall position for the PoMO and Accountable Body budget had slipped into an in-year deficit of c.£80k, due to a slip in funding to projects, which in turn reduces the amount that can be drawn down from the top slice. The Joint Committee were reassured that this position would resolve itself in future years as funding to projects accelerates.

RECOMMENDATION

The development of the Swansea Bay City Region budget for 2023-24 should be concluded at the earliest opportunity (recognising that a five-year budget has previously been approved by the Joint Committee). Moving forward, arrangements should be made to ensure that draft budgets are presented for approval prior to the start of the upcoming financial year.

Grade: Important

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

Budget will be presented to the next Programme Board and JC, however the operation of the City Deal is based on the 5 year budget which has been previously presented to JC. Therefore the budget report will be an update on the 5 year budget.

The budget and the budget monitoring report does recognise the partner contributions have ended in the 2022/23 and the expectation is that the 1.5 % top slicing of funding will continue to fund the PoMO. This top slicing contribution has been lower in previous years than profile and will allow the additional funding moving forward.

A new Finance Manager has now been appointed, and is due to commence at the beginning of July 2023.

Responsible Officer

Chris Moore/Anthony Parnell

Timescale for Action

July 2023

GRANT FUNDING

Funding agreements stipulate that grant claims should be submitted by lead bodies on a quarterly basis, to allow funding to be distributed to programmes/projects.

Testing identified that only a small number of grant claim forms had been received during 2022-23; four in respect of Pembroke Dock Marine (one relating to Q4 2021-22 and three relating to Q1-Q3 2022-23) and one in respect of Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth (SILCG).

Testing also identified that the grant claim forms are not always used consistently, when grant funding is transferred to Carmarthenshire County Council, with it identified that a grant claim form was used for one project, with a journal prepared and utilised for another. Assurance was provided, however, that the process details that both grant claim forms and journals are utilised.

Review of the grant claim forms for Pembroke Dock Marine and SILCG identified that the incorrect amount of grant funding was paid to Pembrokeshire County Council (for Pembroke Dock Marine), for the quarter three grant claim form, due to the incorrect figure being used for the 'gross grant eligible for release' when compared to the revised payment profile. This resulted in an over payment to Pembrokeshire County Council of £318.5k when compared to the payment profile for 2022-23.

The budget for PoMO and Accountable Body is supported by top slice funding of grant paid within each financial year; if insufficient grant funding is paid to Programmes/Projects within a financial year, there is a risk that sufficient top slice funding will not be generated to support the annual Portfolio Management Office budget. Whilst this risk will be alleviated in future years, as spending accelerates, it could place the in-year budgets in a precarious position through the usage of reserves to cover the short-term.

RECOMMENDATION

Grant claim forms should be used by all Programmes/Projects when requesting funding from Swansea Bay City Deal. Programmes/Projects in delivery should be advised that quarterly grant claims should be submitted, to allow funding to be distributed to lead bodies in a timely manner. Additionally, verification of the grant claim forms should be undertaken prior to payment being made, to ensure the total value of grant paid does not exceed the balances included within the payment profile.

Grade: Critical

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

A reminder will be sent to Project Managers in respect of grant claim forms being submitted on a timely basis.

The slight over payment on the scheme, was due to the current lack of Finance Officer being post but also a misunderstanding on the value of the claims. This was identified at the time of payment and will be adjusted in the next claim.

Responsible Officer

Chris Moore/Anthony Parnell

Timescale for Action

Immediate

ASSURANCE RATINGS

Level of Assurance	Description	Standard Circulation
Substantial	There are no or few weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, and they would either be unlikely to occur or their impact is not likely to affect the achievement of the SBCD objectives.	Section 151 Officer/Portfolio Director/Finance Manager/Monitoring Officer Programme (Portfolio) Board/Joint Committee
Moderate	There are some weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, but these are unlikely to have a significant effect on the achievement of the SBCD objectives.	Section 151 Officer/Portfolio Director/Finance Manager/Monitoring Officer Programme (Portfolio) Board/Joint Committee
Limited	There are a number of weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, which, in aggregate, could have a significant effect on the achievement of the SBCD Objectives.	Section 151 Officer/Portfolio Director/Finance Manager/Monitoring Officer Programme (Portfolio) Board/Joint Committee

RECOMMENDATION GRADING

Seriousness	Action Required
Critical	High risk that requires prompt strategic or operational action.
Important	Medium risk that requires strategic or operational action.
Opportunistic	Potential to strengthen the service by taking advantage of a situation

Low level findings will be reported during the exit interview.

LIMITATIONS IN ASSURANCE

It should be noted that full testing was not undertaken as part of this audit review, therefore the results should be considered in this context.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff involved for their co-operation during the audit review.

CONTACT DETAILS

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- Charlotte Hodges, Principal Auditor

Agenda Item 8



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 27 July 2023

Audit Wales Outline Plan 2023

Purpose:	To provide Joint Committee with the plan and scope in respect of the external audit (Appendix A) to be undertaken by Audit Wales of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee Statement of Accounts 2022/23.
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal
Consultation:	Accountable Body
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee
1)	Approves the proposed plan and scope of the external audit (appendix A) to be undertaken by Audit Wales on the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee Statement of Accounts 2022/23.
Report Author:	Chris Moore
Finance Officer:	Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith, Deputy Chief Legal Officer, SBCD

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Auditor General is the auditor for Carmarthenshire County Council and this plan summarises the work to be carried out to discharge his responsibilities under the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004.
- 1.2 Carmarthenshire County Council hold responsibility of the Accountable Body function on behalf of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee.
- 1.3 This report outlines the proposed audit plan and scope of the external audit to be undertaken by Audit Wales on the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee Statement of Accounts 2022/23.

2. Audit Wales Report

- 2.1 The attached report (appendix A) by Audit Wales outlines the detailed plan and scope of the external audit assessment to be undertaken of the Joint Committee Statement of Accounts 2022/23.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 The presented report is an Audit Wales Report and any implications are detailed within the report.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no further legal implications associated with this report.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A – Audit Wales Swansea Bay City Deal Region Joint Committee Outline Audit Plan 2023



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Outline Audit Plan 2023

Audit year: 2023

Date issued: April 2023



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Introduction

This Outline Audit Plan specifies my statutory responsibilities as your external auditor and to fulfil my obligations under the Code of Audit Practice. It also sets out details of my audit team and key dates for delivering my audit team's activities and planned outputs. I intend sharing a Detailed Audit Plan later in the year following the completion of my planning work. It will set out my estimated audit fee and the work my team intends undertaking to address the audit risks identified and other key areas of audit focus during 2023.



Adrian Crompton
Auditor General for
Wales

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My audit responsibilities

I complete work each year to meet the following duties:

- I audit the Swansea Bay City Deal Region Joint Committee's (the Joint Committee) financial statements to make sure that public money is being properly accounted for.
- The Joint Committee has to put in place arrangements to get value for money for the resources it uses, and I have to be satisfied that it has done this.

Audit of financial statements

I am required to issue a certificate and report on your financial statements which includes an opinion on their 'truth and fairness' and an assessment as to whether the Narrative Report and Annual Governance Statement is prepared in line with the CIPFA Code and relevant guidance and is consistent with your financial statements and my knowledge of the Authority.

In addition to my responsibilities for auditing the Joint Committee's financial statements, I also have responsibility for:

- certifying a return to the Welsh Government which provides information about the Joint Committee to support preparation of Whole of Government Accounts; and
- responding to questions and objections about the accounts from local electors (additional fees will be charged for this work, if necessary).

Page 24 I do not seek to obtain absolute assurance on the truth and fairness of the financial statements and related notes but adopt a concept of materiality. My aim is to identify material misstatements, that is, those that might result in a reader of the accounts being misled. The levels at which I judge such misstatements to be material will be reported to you in my Detailed Audit Plan.

I will also report by exception on a number of matters which are set out in more detail in our [Statement of Responsibilities](#).

Performance audit work

I carry out a programme of performance audit work to discharge my duties as Auditor General in relation to value for money.

Fees and audit team

In January 2023 I published the fee scheme for the year, approved by the Senedd Finance Committee. This sets out my fee rates and also highlights the impact of the revised auditing standard ISA 315 on my financial audit approach. More details of the revised auditing standard and what it means for the audit I undertake are set out in **Appendix 1**.

I will provide an estimate of your fee in my Detailed Audit Plan in May 2023, following completion of my detailed risk assessment.

Your engagement team:

Derwyn Owen
Jason Blewitt
Non Jenkins
Carys Bates

Engagement Director
Audit Manager (Financial Audit)
Audit Manager (Performance Audit)
Audit Lead (Financial Audit)

We confirm that our audit team members are all independent of the Authority and your officers.

Audit timeline

We set out below key dates for delivery of our audit work and planned outputs.

Planned output	Work undertaken	Report finalised
Outline Audit Plan 2023	March 2023	March 2023
Detailed Audit Plan 2023	April – July 2023	July 2023
Audit of financial statements work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit of Financial Statements Report • Opinion on the Financial Statements 	August – November 2023	30 November 2023
Performance audit work: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be confirmed based on the outcomes of the 2022-23 performance audit work currently being scoped 	Timescales for the project will be discussed with you and detailed within the specific project briefings produced for each audit.	

Audit quality

My commitment to audit quality in Audit Wales is absolute.

I believe that audit quality is about getting things right first-time.

We use a three lines of assurance model to demonstrate how we achieve this.

We have established an Audit Quality Committee to co-ordinate and oversee those arrangements. We subject our work to independent scrutiny by QAD¹ and our Chair acts as a link to our Board on audit quality. For more information see our [Audit Quality Report 2022](#).



Our People

The first line of assurance is formed by our staff and management who are individually and collectively responsible for achieving the standards of audit quality to which we aspire.

- Selection of right team
- Use of specialists
- Supervisions and review



Arrangements for achieving audit quality

The second line of assurance is formed by the policies, tools, learning & development, guidance, and leadership we provide to our staff to support them in achieving those standards of audit quality.

- Audit platform
- Ethics
- Guidance
- Culture
- Learning and development
- Leadership
- Technical support



Independent assurance

The third line of assurance is formed by those activities that provide independent assurance over the effectiveness of the first two lines of assurance.

- EQCRs
- Themed reviews
- Cold reviews
- Root cause analysis
- Peer review
- Audit Quality Committee
- External monitoring

¹ QAD is the Quality Assurance Department of ICAEW.

Appendix 1 – the key changes to ISA315 and the potential impact on your organisation

Key change	Potential impact on your organisation
<p>More detailed and extensive risk identification and assessment procedures</p>	<p>Your finance team and others in your organisation may receive a greater number of enquiries from our audit teams at the planning stage of the audit. Requests for information may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • information on your organisation’s business model and how it integrates the use of information technology (IT); • information about your organisation’s risk assessment process and how your organisation monitors the system of internal control; • more detailed information on how transactions are initiated, recorded, processed, and reported. This may include access to supporting documentation such as policy and procedure manuals; and • more detailed discussions with your organisation to support the audit team’s assessment of inherent risk.
<p>Obtaining an enhanced understanding of your organisation’s environment, particularly in relation to IT</p>	<p>Your organisation may receive more enquiries to assist the audit team in understanding the IT environment. This may include information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IT applications relevant to financial reporting; • the supporting IT infrastructure (eg the network, databases); • IT processes (eg managing program changes, IT operations); and • the IT personnel involved in the IT processes. <p>Audit teams may need to test the general IT controls and this may require obtaining more detailed audit evidence on the operation of IT controls within your organisation.</p>

Key change	Potential impact on your organisation
	On some audits, our audit teams may involve IT audit specialists to assist with their work. Our IT auditors may need to engage with members of your IT team who have not previously been involved in the audit process.
Enhanced requirements relating to exercising professional scepticism	Our audit teams may make additional inquiries if they identify information which appears to contradict what they have already learned in the audit.
Risk assessments are scalable depending on the nature and complexity of the audited body	The audit team's expectations regarding the formality of your organisation's policies, procedures, processes, and systems will depend on the complexity of your organisation.
Audit teams may make greater use of technology in the performance of their audit	Our audit teams may make use of automated tools and techniques such as data analytics when performing their audit. Our teams may request different information or information in a different format from previous audits so that they can perform their audit procedures.

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Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 27 July 2023

Skills and Talent Programme Update

Purpose:	To inform Joint Committee of the progress made and the status of the Skills and Talent initiative
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal Region Joint Committee Agreement
Report Author:	Sam Cutlan
Finance Officer	Chris Moore (SBCD SEC151 Officer)
Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith (Deputy Chief Legal Officer)
For Information	

1. Programme Overview

- 1.1 The Skills and Talent programme is a unique programme within the suite of 9 City Deal projects/programmes that will deliver a skills training solution offering the best value sustainable skills infrastructure to develop the future workforce for the region.
- 1.2 The development of a comprehensive and forward-thinking skills programme that will deliver the right skills and competency across all the key themes of the City Deal programme is vital to the overall success of the City Deal Portfolio.
- 1.3 The programme will align the available skills provision and identified skills gaps with the needs of Industry across the region as well as the 8 innovative projects that make up the City Deal supporting the growth of GVA, productivity and business investment in the region. The delivery of an innovative skills training programme will be through initial scoping and publication of a skills barometer followed by the development of pilot projects to offer training solutions that will over the lifetime of the programme and beyond deliver a skilled workforce that will meet the requirements of the projects and the wider economy of the Swansea Bay region.

- 1.4 The Skills and Talent programme will work with the City Deal's eight other programmes/projects detailed as well as understanding the wider regional skills requirements.
- 1.5 The Regional Learning and Skills Partnership (RLSP), a partnership of Industry Employers and public sector training and education providers will be the lead body for the Skills and Talent programme. The partnership was established in 2010 to identify skills and training needs of the region and has a long-standing experience of working with industry and training providers and reporting to Welsh Government the regional training needs.

2. Projected Outputs

2.1 The Skills & Talent Programme aims:

- To directly deliver at least 2,200 additional skills and support the development of around 14,000 individuals with higher level (between 2-8) skills within 10 years.
- To create at least 3000 new apprenticeship opportunities, to include level 3 to Degree apprenticeships.
- To create at least 2 Centres of Excellence within specific sectors to develop the region as being "the best" area for skills development.
- To create a clear career pathway from school education through further and higher education in the key areas of digital; construction, energy; smart manufacturing and life science and wellbeing, achieved through engagement and development work with schools increasing the number of pupils following the STEM subjects in FE and HE.
- To deliver 20 new/updated course frameworks to ensure they meet the industry training needs for the future.

3. Procurement

3.1 Whilst the Skills and Talent Programme is unlikely to require procurement the RLSP has extensive experience of managing procurement in its projects and will ensure that this experience is fully implemented in the project at the appropriate time.

4. Summary

- 4.1 The Skills and Talent programme has made significant progress since approval.
- 4.2 The Skills Barometer for the region has been created, and revisited. This key body of work amalgamates the Skills needed for the other 8 City Deal Projects, and the current provision offer within the region, whereby highlighting key gaps and priority areas.
- 4.3 9 Pilot Projects have now progressed through the approvals process, with some having moved into delivery. Details of which will be presented.

4.4 2 new Apprenticeship Routes are currently being developed, addressing a key Skills Gaps, allowing South West Wales to lead the way, ahead of other Welsh Regions and the UK in delivery of an identified Global Skills Gap.

4.5 Discussions are ongoing for future pilot projects to create a steady pipeline that is intelligent and flexing to the changing skills landscape in which it operates.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 The Skills and Talent Programme will require public funding, alongside significant investment by the private sector. The current breakdown of sources of funding is shown below:

- SBCD Funding - £10,000,000
- Public Sector – £16,000,000
- Private Sector - £4,000,000

5.2 Below are the current secured match funding total amounts generated through Apprenticeship recruitment and Pilot Project match funding.

- Public Sector - £712,830
- Private Sector - £1,078,234

6. Legal Implications

6.1 There are no legal implications associated with this for Information report.

7. Alignment to the Well Being of Future Generation (Wales) Act

7.1 The SBCD Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual programme / project business cases

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A: SBCD Skills Talent Programme Final Gateway Review



OGC Gateway™ Review 0: Strategic assessment

Programme Title:	Swansea Bay City Deal Skills and Talent Programme
IAH ID number:	AH 22/016

Version number:	Final v1.0
Senior Responsible Owner (SRO):	Barry Liles OBE
Date of issue to SRO:	3 February 2023
Department/Organisation of the Programme	Regional Learning & Skills Partnership (RLSP)
Review dates:	25 – 27 January 2023.
Review Team Leader:	David Evans
Review Team Members:	Lisa Pugh Claire Habberfield
Previous Review:	Gateway 0 Strategic Assessment 29 June 2021
Security Classification:	Official

This assurance review was arranged and managed by:

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1.0 Delivery Confidence Assessment (DCA)

Delivery Confidence Assessment:	GREEN
<p>The Review Team considers successful delivery of the programme to time, cost and quality appears highly likely and there are no major outstanding issues that at this stage appear to threaten delivery.</p> <p>The Programme has strong, stable and well experienced management and governance cadres.</p> <p>It is populated and served by passionate and invested individuals at all levels and its stakeholders are closely and regularly engaged.</p> <p>The RSLP is well-grounded in reality and demonstrates mature and strong direction.</p> <p>Whilst immediate uptake of the scheme by City Deal projects has been slower than anticipated and it is accepted that there may be some slippage in the planned spending profile: both issues are understood, discussed openly and are considered by the practitioners involved to be manageable.</p> <p>The Review Team considers that if the minor ‘nudges and course corrections’ indicated by the Recommendations made in this Report are implemented, the Programme is set fair to deliver against expectations.</p> <p>The evidence presented to the Review Team demonstrates that this is a well defined, well supported and well managed programme of work.</p>	

1.1 Delivery Confidence Assessment

The Delivery Confidence assessment RAG status should use the definitions below:

<u>RAG</u>	<u>Criteria Description</u>
Green	Successful delivery of the programme to time, cost and quality appears highly likely and there are no major outstanding issues that at this stage appear to threaten delivery.
Amber/Green	Successful delivery appears probable. However, constant attention will be needed to ensure risks do not materialise into major issues threatening delivery.
Amber	Successful delivery appears feasible but significant issues already exist requiring management attention. These appear resolvable at this stage and, if addressed promptly, should not present a cost/schedule overrun.
Amber/Red	Successful delivery of the programme is in doubt with major risks or issues apparent in a number of key areas. Urgent action is needed to ensure these are addressed, and establish whether resolution is feasible.
Red	Successful delivery of the programme appears to be unachievable. There are major issues which, at this stage, do not appear to be manageable or resolvable. The programme may need re-baselining and/or overall viability re-assessed.

2.0 Summary of Report Recommendations

The Review Team makes the following recommendations which are prioritised using the definitions below:

Ref. No.	Recommendation	Urgency (C/E/R)	Target date for completion	Classification
1.	The Programme Team should conclude and present to the other eight City Deal Programmes, its own analysis of the likely skills provision shortfalls as a 'straw man' and stand ready to deliver the solutions needed to address it.	E- Essential	End June 2023	Scope 8.2
2.	The Programme Team should ensure that the efforts made to maximise the benefits of joining-up between bids is captured and presented alongside the bids presented to the RLSP Board.	E- Essential	By the time of the next presentation of bids to the RLSP Board	Benefits Management & Realisation 6
3.	The Programme team should prepare and present a flow chart demonstrating the scrutiny and challenge applied to all new bid proposals, to increase the visibility and transparency of its processes.	E- Essential	By the time of the next presentation of bids to the RSLP Board	Benefits Management & Realisation 6

Critical (Do Now) – To increase the likelihood of a successful outcome it is of the greatest importance that the programme should take action immediately

Essential (Do By) – To increase the likelihood of a successful outcome the programme/ project should take action in the near future.

Recommended – The programme should benefit from the uptake of this recommendation.

3.0 Comments from the SRO

We are very supportive of the comments and recommendations mad in this report and will be expediting the recommendations as soon as possible.

We would like to thank the review team for their support and advice

4.0 Background

The aims of the programme:

To create new and sustainable opportunities for people to increase and improve their skills to generate and support prosperity for individuals and businesses in the Swansea Bay City Deal region.

This will be achieved through the development of a pathway of skills improvement for all and the pilot delivery of demand-driven, high-level skills and upskilling opportunities across the five key sectors of the Swansea Bay City Deal.

The driving force for the programme:

The Skills and Talent programme is a cross-cutting programme within the suite of nine City Deal projects. It plans to deliver a skills training solution offering the best value, sustainable, skills infrastructure to develop the future workforce for the region.

The development of a comprehensive and forward-thinking skills programme that delivers the right skills and competencies across all the key themes of the City Deal programme is vital to the overall success of the City Deal Portfolio. The Skills and Training Programme will align the available skills provision and identified skills gaps with the needs of Industry across the region as well as the eight innovative projects that make up the City Deal. Addressing the gaps and shortfalls identified in skills development and training will support the growth of Gross Value Added (GVA), productivity and business investment in the region.

The creation and delivery of an innovative skills training programme will initially be through scoping and publication of a skills barometer. This will be followed by the development of pilot projects to offer training solutions that will, over the lifetime of the programme and beyond, deliver a skilled workforce to meet the requirements of the projects and the wider economy of the Swansea Bay region.

The Regional Learning and Skills Partnership (RLSP), a partnership of Industry Employers and public sector training and education providers, will be the lead body for the Skills and Talent programme. The partnership was established in 2010 to identify skills and training needs of the region and has a long-standing experience of working with industry and training providers and reporting to Welsh Government the regional training needs.

The delivery status:

The Programme has approved the first six Pilot Projects and there is a pipeline of further bids in various stages of preparation. The presentation, scrutiny and approval processes are now established. Delivery management support and evaluation processes are now being prepared and refined.

Current position regarding previous assurance reviews:

The Programme has been subject to one previous Gateway 0 Strategic Assessment Review in June 2021. The recommendations of that report were all accepted by the Programme.

A summary of recommendations, progress and status from the previous assurance review can be found in **Annex C**.

5.0 Purposes and conduct of the OGC Gateway Review

The primary purposes of a Gateway Review 0: Strategic assessment are to review the outcomes and objectives for the programme (and the way they fit together) and confirm that they make the necessary contribution to Ministers' or the Department's' overall strategy.

Annex A gives the full purposes statement for a Gateway Review 0.

Annex B lists the people who were interviewed during the review.

6.0 Acknowledgement

The Review Team thanks the Client, the Swansea Bay City Deal Skills and Talent Programme Team for its support and openness, which contributed to the Review Team's understanding of the Programme and the outcome of this review.

7.0 Scope of the Review

The scope of the Review was agreed as a mid-stage Gateway 0 Strategic Assessment with the SRO identifying a number of specific areas for examination. These specific areas were:

1. Lack of emerging projects being identified by the other 8 City Deal projects.
2. The length of time in getting the pilot projects into development as a result of poor quality submissions.
3. Burden of Bureaucracy
4. Lack of appreciation/flexibility within the 5 year spending window.
5. Emerging availability of Personal Learning Account (PLA) funding
6. Delay in appointment of project team
7. Regional skills needs identified that are not included in the 5 key themes.

8.0 Review Team findings and recommendations

8.1: Policy and business context

The Skills and Talent Programme is part of the Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio and is the key element of the Programme for the long-term benefit to the region of the delivery of capital investment driven programmes. The Programme is designed to increase the capability and capacity of local, skills improvement training provision to meet current and future needs considering local and global issues to benefit and support the other portfolios and economy.

The Programme is already demonstrating excellent co-operation and collaboration with employers and even Third Sector bodies to improve flexibility within the Swansea Bay City Deal Region. The objectives of the City Deal Programme are in line with UK and Welsh Government agendas.

Evidence was heard from all interviewees that the Programme is adding value by focusing on training opportunities not available in other parts of the UK and while current training is reacting to future demand for example 5G, there is still a strong investment in more traditional training.

The Programme team are aware of skills and training gaps and the increase in private sector training applications (due to confirm 31 Jan) demonstrates the wide range of opportunities and scrutiny to identify shortfalls both against the jobs of the future and jobs of today.

Interviewees from all areas of the Programme's reiterated the importance of employers' engagement with primary and secondary level education. Evidence was heard that reach out to secondary schools has been positive and even further back to primary school, but this was restricted due to the nature of schools' openness to visitors following Covid.

All interviewees spoke about pathway in education, skills training, and life-long learning opportunities. The importance of apprenticeships and the opportunities they provide were a recurrent theme was the significance and potential impact of apprenticeships on the workforce going forward.

All those interviewed presented a coherent and compelling narrative of what the Programme is achieving and there is a shared commitment to deliver a successful legacy in the Region from this investment in skills

8.2: Business Case and stakeholders

The Review Team met with interviewees who were passionate, engaged, and supportive of the programme. The interviewees included new projects awaiting the approval process and existing employers who were all able to articulate what success looked like from their own perspective but also what the wider benefits of the Programme.

Many interviewees had been involved in the provision and delivery of skills training for years and their passion, expertise and knowledge were evident. All of those interviewed supported the Skills and Talent Programme and there was evidence that the Project Team and governance arrangements have been streamlined and working

effectively since the previous Gateway Review. It should be noted that the support available for the application process should be commended.

The governance processes at a Welsh and UK Government level appear to be easier. The Review Team were provided with clear evidence about what the Programme intends to do considering local issues and employment trends, and how it will achieve it is clear. The Review Team's judgement is that the Programme should be given the flexibility to progress. Given progress on the other elements of the Portfolio and the opportunities and risks presented as the economy reacts to global issues and recovery from the impacts of COVID-19, there are opportunities to be seized and acting promptly ensures the risks of dis-engagement of partners and potentially the loss of key staff is mitigated.

Evidence was heard from all parties that the use and role of the RLSP within the Programme was the right choice and of fundamental importance.

8.3: Management of intended outcomes

The Skills and Talent Programme for South West Wales mirrors those elsewhere in the country, but uniquely carries with it the advantage of the City Deal association. This provides the Programme with greater financial autonomy and the opportunity, to an extent, of 'first-mover advantage in comparison with its peers.

As the sole Revenue driven Programme within the City Deal Portfolio, its management and financial control mechanisms potentially give it a greater level of flexibility, if required. These are advantages the Programme is aware of and uses to its benefit in planning and scheduling disbursements. The Programme is governed and managed in a robust manner with a tight grip on the quality control levers that it has. To be accepted and funded a project must be presented 'right' and not just qualify for funding 'right now'. The ability of the Programme to push back proposal for further development was evident and demonstrated to the Review Team. Governance of the Programme was recognised by the Review Team as strong.

Evidence presented showed that the Programme has demonstrated the tight levels of control needed to generate confidence in the behaviour of its scrutiny and approvals processes.

With six projects approved so far and eight in the pipeline, take-up of the Programme was reported by many to be slower than expected. Nevertheless, those closest to the Programme and most experienced in the Skills Training world, expressed confidence that progress would pick-up pace and that any temporary slippage in spend run-rate would be recovered with no diminution of quality.

Whilst there are, as yet, no approved projects arising from the eight other City Deal Programmes, the Review Team heard evidence that a cross-cutting gap in the availability and provision of accredited training for User Experience (UX) work had been identified and a bid was close to delivery. Whilst often identified most closely with digital development and delivery, the Review team was pleased to see this recognised as a wider and equally valuable skill set in other environments. If the evidence presented is correct, Swansea Bay has a national 'first-mover' advantage and with DVLA located within its area a ready market for trained and skilled individuals to accomplish nation-wide reach as either apprentices or fully qualified members of the workforce.

Nevertheless, the Programme should maintain the pressure it is putting on the other City Deal Programmes to identify the likely skills provisions that their deliveries will require.

The Review Team heard evidence that the Programme was ready to take the initiative on this matter and was preparing its own understanding of what the skills and shortfalls were likely to be. The Review Team supports this approach.

Recommendation 1: The Programme Team should conclude and present to the other eight City Deal Programmes, its own analysis of the likely skills provision shortfalls as a ‘straw man’ and stand ready to deliver the solutions needed to address it. Essential by end June 2023.

The Programme was able to demonstrate that the establishment of its structures, themes and processes had already delivered advantage and opportunity by promoting collaboration and facilitating engagement between sectors (industry, academia, learners and training delivery providers). With a healthy flow of interest reported (multiple potential bids presenting themselves as first-contact candidates each month), the ability to manage effectively a flow of applications already exists.

Interviewees all reported that the Programme’s structures and processes added value to the development of ideas and solutions, with some describing it as essential to the progress that they have made.

Of particular note was the benefit of focusing on pathways which reach back through secondary schools and back to primary schools. These were recognised as offering the opportunity to inspire learners and avoid disengagement. The increased focus of the Programme on pathways was welcomed by many and recognised by the Review team as good practice.

The ability of the programme to deliver solutions for both the Seren (star) pupils / learners and simultaneously lower level (L1) qualifications in the Cyfle Project was also seen as an example of best practice. The passion for successful delivery at all levels was obvious to the Review Team.

Concerns about the weight, cost and timescale of governance mechanisms required by the Portfolio, Cardiff and Westminster authorities was heard repeatedly. The opportunity arose to test against the Portfolio Offices behaviours and intentions and a robust case made for the processes in place. In this Review, there was not time to pursue the matter further, but the Review team invites the Programme to bring matters of concern to the Portfolio’s attention as they occur going forward, to allow prompt focus and resolution. It is clearly in the Portfolio Office team’s interest that this Programme moves forward as quickly and effectively as possible and that the limited external reporting and intervention that might be needed add more value than it costs the Programme.

8.4: Risk management

Evidence presented suggested that both the Portfolio processes and the project management compliance structures have delivered effective risk management practises. Risks will, however, continue to develop since the project is still in its early delivery stages, thus they must be controlled.

Early findings included the rigorous compliance checks connected to the degree of support and scrutiny before applications were authorised. Through the multiple levels of authorisation, this guarantees a more effective support system.

The general themes that emerged from a variety of interviews related to the potential risk of project engagement from employers, stakeholders, and participants waning due to other competing priorities developing. The Programme should maintain a close eye on this. There is a definite, visible desire to guarantee the project's success and the establishment of systems for its promotion.

According to the information supplied, **it would be beneficial if processes be set up to ensure best practises and successes are celebrated in a timely manner**, and consideration should be given to the timelines for the frequent review and promotion of success via the Portfolio board at its regular meetings.

8.5: Review of current outcomes

It was acknowledged that the Project Team's assistance to bidders was first-rate. The quantity of bids that have been received and are currently in process, along with indications that the pipeline of applications is strengthening, represent positive advancements.

The creation and completion of the initial initiatives that have been approved show that everyone engaged is clearly committed and enthusiastic. There is compelling evidence that important industry stakeholders are actively participating and that employers are driving the creation of crucial activities. It was evident that the approval procedure was honest and impartial.

The formal governance mechanisms of permission and delivery appear to have been balanced well with everyone participating in the project's inventiveness and excitement. To make sure results are achieved, specific goals and objectives are defined and tracked on a regular basis.

The Review Team heard evidence of how the development and refinement of Project proposals included an examination of how they might link to and build upon other Projects within the Portfolio. Notwithstanding this, as this is such a clear objective of the Portfolio, the Review Team considers it worth giving greater visibility to.

Recommendation 2: The Programme Team should ensure that the efforts made to maximise the benefits of joining-up between bids is captured and presented alongside the bids presented to the RLSP Board.

Essential: by the time of the next presentation of bids to the RLSP Board

8.6: Readiness for the next phase – Delivery of outcomes.

Whilst at an early stage, the Programme has achieved 'lift-off' and appears well structured and, at least for the moment, adequately resourced.

Concern was heard that early scrutiny of bid proposals could be tightened to reduce the risk of duplication of funding of initiatives with extant schemes. When pursued and examined, it was explained that three levels of early scrutiny were applied to ensure this was not the case and that money would not be wasted on exploring repetitive and duplicative proposals. The Review Team did consider that these safeguards did need to be made visible more readily.

Recommendation 3: The Programme team should prepare and present a flow chart demonstrating the scrutiny and challenge applied to all new bid proposals, to increase the visibility and transparency of its processes.

Essential, by the time of the next presentation of bids to the RSLP Board

As it had been included in the SRO's Terms of Reference, the Review Team tested with a number of interviewees the interaction between this Programme's schemes and the Personal Learning Account. All interviewees took the view that there were more likely to be synergies than conflicts. This was a positive outcome.

The Programme reported no critical resource shortfalls at present and expressed confidence in its ability to scale-up scrutiny and flow as required.

Interviewees reported that there was still much value to be gained from pursuing the initial five themes of the Programme. Given the short space of time since the first Projects were initiated, the Review Team concurs. There will come a time to review the scope, but the consensus is that it is too early to consider doing so yet.

9.0 Next Assurance Review

The Programme and Welsh Government should agree, nearer the time whether a further Gateway 0 Strategic Assessment Review or a Gateway 5 Operations Review and Benefits realisation study should be carried out in 2025 to follow completion and analysis of the Pilot Projects. The Review Team considers that no further Gateway Assurance Reviews are necessary until then, unless sought by the SRO.

ANNEX A

Purposes of the OGC Gateway Review 0: Strategic assessment:

- Review the outcomes and objectives for the programme (and the way they fit together) and confirm that they make the necessary contribution to overall strategy of the organisation and its senior management.
- Ensure that the programme is supported by key stakeholders.
- Confirm that the programme's potential to succeed has been considered in the wider context of Government policy and procurement objectives, the organisation's delivery plans and change programmes, and any interdependencies with other programmes or projects in the organisation's portfolio and, where relevant, those of other organisations.
- Review the arrangements for leading, managing and monitoring the programme as a whole and the links to individual parts of it (e.g. to any existing projects in the programme's portfolio).
- Review the arrangements for identifying and managing the main programme risks (and the individual project risks), including external risks such as changing business priorities.
- Check that provision for financial and other resources has been made for the programme (initially identified at programme initiation and committed later) and that plans for the work to be done through to the next stage are realistic, properly resourced with sufficient people of appropriate experience, and authorised.
- After the initial Review, check progress against plans and the expected achievement of outcomes.
- Check that there is engagement with the market as appropriate on the feasibility of achieving the required outcome.
- Where relevant, check that the programme takes account of joining up with other programmes, internal and external.
- Evaluation of actions to implement recommendations made in any earlier assessment of deliverability.

ANNEX B

List of Interviewees

The following stakeholders were interviewed during the review:

Name	Organisation and role
Barry Liles OBE	SRO Skills and Talent Programme Pro Vice Chancellor Skills and Life- long Learning, University of Wales Trinity Saint David University
Sam Cutlan	Skills and Talent Programme Lead.
Rob Hillier	14 – 19 Coordinator, Pembrokeshire County Council
Mark Jones	Principal Gower College, Chair of the Provider Group
Ffion Wright	Stakeholder and Communications Manager DP Energy Private sector partner for the Pembrokeshire Project
Arwyn Williams	Head of Faculty Engineering, Computing, Construction and Higher Education - Pembrokeshire College Lead body for the Pembrokeshire Project
Edward Morgan	Training Manager Castell Howell Foods Chair of the Regional Learning and Skills Partnership and Programme Board of the Skills and Talent Programme
Simon Pridham	Aspire to Be Lead person of an application to be considered by the Skills and Talent programme on the 31 st January
Nick Longar	Head of IT Swansea Building Society Chair of the Digital Cluster Group, representative on the Skills and Talent Group and RLSP Board member
Anthony Rees	Cyfle Building Skills
Geraint Flowers/	Executive Head of Capital Projects, University of Wales Trinity St David
James Cale	Director of Digital Services, University of Wales Trinity St David
Anthony Parnell	Treasury and Pensions Investment Manager, Carmarthenshire County Council and Finance officer for the Skills and Talent Programme and Swansea Bay City Deal Programme
Eleri Lewis	Head of Adult Programme Delivery Welsh Government RLSP Board member
Jonathan Burnes	City Deal Programme Lead

Meirion Owen	Head of Science and Technology, Milford Haven Comprehensive school
Jane Lewis	Regional Partnership Manager – Managing the RLSP and the Skills and Talent Programme

ANNEX C

Progress against previous assurance review (23 – 25 June 2021) recommendations:

Recommendation	Progress/Status
<p>The SRO should approve a 'super-executive summary' as a preface to the Business Case and submit it for approval with vigorous support.</p> <p>C- Critical</p> <p>Do now</p>	Completed, closed
<p>The Programme Manager must prepare and submit to governance a proposal for how revision of the key themes should be triggered and settled.</p> <p>R - Recommended</p> <p>By end September 2021</p>	Completed, closed.
<p>The Programme Manager must ensure the Risk Register and other Programme artefacts are updated and maintained as living, management tools to help control the Programme.</p> <p>E- Essential</p> <p>By end August 2021.</p>	Completed and maintained.
<p>The SRO should agree with the Portfolio, how the extant Programme Governance arrangements can be streamlined and optimized, reflecting the transition to the delivery phase of the Programme.</p> <p>E- Essential</p> <p>By end August 2021.</p>	Completed. Relationship management and Governance Review remains ongoing.

Agenda Item 10



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 27 July 2023

Digital Infrastructure Programme Update

Purpose:	To inform Joint Committee of the progress made and status of the SBCD Digital Infrastructure Programme.
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal Region Joint Committee Agreement
Report Author:	Gareth Jones (Digital Programme Manager)
Finance Officer:	Chris Moore (SBCD SEC151 Officer)
Legal Officer:	Tracey Meredith (SBCD Monitoring Officer)
For Information	

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Digital Infrastructure Programme is an investment in the digital connectivity and associated telecommunications infrastructure of the region. This includes, but is not limited to, full fibre fixed connectivity, 4G Advanced, 5G, and other advanced wireless networks and use cases. In essence it is the deployment of enabling technology that will allow quality digital services to be delivered and accessed over future-proofed fixed line networks or wireless networks.
- 1.2 The programme is delivering the underlying infrastructure required to support and underpin the regions broader digital economy. It is ensuring that the region is equipped with future-proofed digital infrastructure that will provide the transformative foundations for City Deal interventions and wider regional growth. The programme will also aid social inclusion and cohesion in a post Covid-19 world.
- 1.3 Gigabit capable ultra-reliable connectivity is ensuring that the region capitalises on opportunities to accelerate economic growth and establish itself as a centre of excellence in the key sectors of, energy, life science and well-being, and smart manufacturing. Future proofed digital infrastructure will create a paradigm shift in the design, development, and application of technology within these key sectors across the region.

- 1.4 The breadth and quality of digital infrastructure available in Wales has fallen behind that found in many other parts of the UK. This is compounded by the fact that there are significant differences within Wales itself. The reasons for this do not only rest with the topology of the region and the fact that it is heavily rural, but it is also a deeper issue related to digital awareness, affordability, and commercial appetite for investment by the communications service providers (CSPs).
- 1.5 There is broad and proven recognition that the provision of digital services drives economic growth and enables social inclusion and cohesion. There is also a growing recognition that the availability of world class digital connectivity stimulates innovation and the creation of new business streams. The clear conclusion is that the Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) must address any shortfall in the availability of digital connectivity in the region. It must invest in digital connectivity to obtain a competitive advantage and it must drive the uptake and quality of those services that are already available.
- 1.6 Improving the digital infrastructure of the region is critical as it has suffered from a lack of commercial investment that has consequently resulted in an underlying gap in delivery capability. These gaps need to be closed for the SBCD and the region to achieve its goals.
- 1.7 Our aspirations are:
- Better broadband for everyone... leaving nobody behind.
 - A smart region ready and able to innovate and adopt emerging technology.
 - An inclusive digital landscape that meets everyone's needs.

2. Digital Programme Status

2.1 Business Case

- A comprehensive Digital Infrastructure Programme Business Case was produced during Spring/Summer 2020 in collaboration with appointed consultants and local, regional, and national stakeholders.
- Significant stakeholder engagement and consultation of the Business Case took place throughout Summer/Autumn 2020.
- The Business Case and all associated plans were scrutinised and refined locally, regionally, and nationally during Summer/Autumn 2020.
- A comprehensive stage gate review of the Digital Infrastructure Programme was conducted by Government appointed external experts in November 2020. The Programme was awarded amber/green status.
- Local & Regional endorsement for the Digital Infrastructure Programme and its Business Case was achieved in November 2020.

- In March 2021, the Digital Programme received Ministerial endorsement from both the Welsh Government & UK Government. The Programme has been in delivery since 1st of April 2021.
- Updating and refinement of the Business Case is ongoing throughout the lifetime of the 5-year Programme. The latest updated version will be presented to the SBCD Digital Infrastructure Programme Board in July 2023.
- A comprehensive stage gate review of the Digital Infrastructure Programme is currently being arranged via SBCD Portfolio Management Office for August/September 2023, to be conducted by Government appointed external experts.

2.2 Governance

- Both the Digital Infrastructure Programme and overarching City Deal Portfolio Governance is fully established and functioning. These governance structures ensure robust, effective regional decision making and accountability.
- A Digital Infrastructure Programme Board has been fully established since May 2020. Membership of the Board comprises senior representation from the Programmes key regional partners with the opportunity to co-opt representation from additional key stakeholders as and when required. Terms of reference are in place, agreed upon and reviewed monthly.
- A Senior Responsible Officer for the Programme is in place along with a Programme Board Chair and Vice Chair.
- The Programme Risk Register is fully operational and scrutinised monthly by the Digital Infrastructure Programme Board.
- The Digital Infrastructure Programme is represented at several national forums of relevance i.e., Welsh Governments Digital infrastructure barrier busting taskforce and UK Governments Digital Connectivity Infrastructure Accelerator early adopter group.
- The Programme has a comprehensive Integrated Assurance and Approval Plan (IAAP) and Risk Potential Assurance (RPA) Matrix in place which follows regional and national formats and requirements. Both the IAAP and RPA are regularly reviewed in consultation with the City Deal PMO.

2.3 Resources

- Recruitment of a central Digital Infrastructure Programme team, as stipulated in the Programme Business Case, is complete:
 - 1 x Digital Programme Manager (Appointed March 2020)
 - 2 x Digital Project Managers (Appointed Summer/Autumn 2021)
 - 1 x Digital Programme Coordinator (Appointed March 2023)

- SBCD Regional Portfolio Office resources are in place and fully supporting the Digital Infrastructure Programme.
- Local Authority resource recruitment to support local delivery of specific Projects within the regional Digital Programme is complete. The roles are embedded within the Local Authorities but funded by our Programme. Their programme of work is overseen by the regional Programme team and fully aligned to regional and local priorities and ambitions.
 - 4 x Next Generation Infrastructure Managers (1 per Local Authority)
 - 4 x Digital Connectivity Support and Engagement Officers (1 per Local Authority)
- A decision has recently been taken by the Digital Programme Board to add a Business Engagement and Communications officer to the Digital Infrastructure Programme team. Raising the profile of the region and the opportunities for Digital infrastructure investment is critical to the work of the Programme and in attracting and facilitating inward investment. This role will make a significant contribution to that work. Shortlisting has occurred, with interviews planned for late June 2023.
- An updated website and promotional video were developed for the Programme in May 2023. These will aid the increase in marketing, media, communications, and business engagement activity planned for the coming months. <https://www.swanseabaycitydeal.wales/digital/>.

2.4 City Deal Funding

- Access to £25M City Deal funding for the Programme is secured with operational budgets confirmed and managed through monthly budget monitoring. The £25M is broken down as £4.5M of revenue funding and £20.5M of capital funding.
- The primary funding agreement for the Digital Infrastructure Programme has been signed. This was developed in consultation with the 4 Local Authorities and in accordance with all relevant financial and legal requirements. This enables the Programme to draw down funding for expenditure incurred from the Regional City Deal PMO.
- A collaboration agreement between the 4 Local Authorities and the central Programme team has been drafted and consulted upon with lawyers in each authority. We are currently coordinating signatory of the final version. Delivery is being conducted “at risk” in the meantime.

2.5 Private & Public Sector Investment

- Coordinated lobbying, facilitating, and supporting of additional public and private sector investment in digital infrastructure across the region is an integral part of the Programme. A target of £13.5M additional public sector and £16.5M additional private sector investment is being targeted over the lifetime of the Programme, in addition to the £25M of City Deal funding secured. This work has

been ongoing since March 2020 with significant assistance from regional corporate and political leaders and colleagues.

- The Programme has worked with industry experts FarrPoint to establish a clear and credible methodology for evidencing and quantifying levels of public and private sector regional investment in fibre and mobile infrastructure. An annual exercise is now conducted to achieve this with a detailed report and supporting data sets produced.
- This annual exercise includes numbers of premises connected, by who, connectivity types, various metrics for mobile connectivity improvements and crucially, comprehensive evidence of remaining need to inform planned interventions. The annual report and data sets will be used to conduct a full economic assessment of the Programme's impact after 5 years.
- The Portfolio Management Office have confirmed that this approach to quantifying investment and assessing impact comprehensively meets the needs of our Regional and National governance.
- For the first year of Digital Programme delivery 2021/22 the Region successfully attracted £7.6M of additional public sector investment and £21.8M of private sector investment in its fibre and mobile infrastructure. A comprehensive breakdown of the data sets, data sources and calculations are available. This has significantly exceeded the target for the year.
- A full breakdown of the investment figures is available per Local Authority. The Digital Programme team is planning a round of reporting of the key investment figures and progress made to each Local Authority and Regional forums in Autumn 2023. This exercise will report on both 21/22 and 22/23 financial years.
- The Programme team is currently conducting the annual investment and impact assessment exercise for 2022/23 and expects similarly positive results.

3. Digital Programme Delivery Summary

Connected Places Workstream

Description: Deploying gigabit capable connectivity to our strategically important public sector sites and economic growth zones. This is essential to building a sustainable digital economy in the region and will provide a foundation for improved public services and innovation across key sectors.

Project 1. Supply side engagement

Status: Live

- All resources are in place with an ongoing, coordinated, and intensive programme of supply side engagement to stimulate and facilitate investment.
- Of the 1781 public sector assets identified across the region 720 now have access to full fibre or are getting it very soon, a further 623 are in credible

commercial plans to be connected in the medium term and the remainder will be connected through our various workstreams.

- Benefits realisation work has demonstrated significant fibre investment in key areas targeted by this workstream including Swansea City, Neath, Port Talbot, Llanelli, Carmarthen, Cross Hands, Pembroke and Milford Haven.

Project 2. PSBA Hub Sites

Status: Ready

- 98 Public Sector sites and assets have been identified as needing full fibre infrastructure built through the Welsh Government's Public Sector Broadband network (PSBA) contract. This project will manage and deliver that fibre infrastructure build to those sites.
- Partners have submitted final sites for inclusion in the project. The site list is currently with BT PSBA who are due to provide a quote within 20 working days for the capital works of building the necessary infrastructure.
- A final workshop has been arranged with partners to provide any outstanding clarification and confirm roles and responsibilities for the project. To be held on the 20th and 29th July.
- The project will drive ultrafast full fibre connectivity to several flag ship assets such as Margam Park and Pembrey Country Park.

Project 3. Duct Investment

Status: Emerging

- Regional opportunities have been defined and the Programme Team are currently in discussion with potential operators, partners, and stakeholders.
- A recent workshop with duct specialists provided clarity on feasibility of the opportunities identified and confirmed best route to market.
- Delivery timelines for this investment will need to align to the varying delivery timelines of the individual opportunities being targeted.

Project 4. Dark Fibre Network

Status: Emerging

- The project will deliver a dedicated ultrafast dark fibre ring across Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Llanelli. It will connect key strategic assets directly to each other such as hospitals, University campuses, Primary Local Authority sites and City Deal developments. This will enable significant data transfer, collaboration, and innovation.
- A detailed action plan for the project has been developed.

- Discussions with key partners are at a mature stage regarding sites for inclusion and technical specification for the network.
- Soft, pre-market engagement is underway with several potential bidders. A workshop is due to be held with all partners and dark fibre specialists within the next three weeks. We anticipate that this project will progress at pace.

Next Gen Wireless Workstream

Description: Facilitating the rollout of 4G/5G across the region. Creating 5G centres of excellence for key sectors such as health and wellbeing, creative industries, R&D, agriculture and tourism, to realise the benefits of 5G, fully exploit the use of the Internet of Things and adopt emerging technology.

Project 1. Undertake Future Telecoms Infrastructure Review guidance in full and drive Shared Rural Network (SRN) investment.

Status: Live

- Next Generation Infrastructure Managers (NGIMs) are in post in all four local authorities, working to deliver a programme of work to support the streamlining of internal processes which support digital connectivity infrastructure build.
- These NGIM's are working closely with industry and government to deliver ambitious plans for SRN rollout across our region which will contribute approximately £18.5M of investment across the region, dramatically improving 4G coverage in rural areas from all 4 mobile operators.
- The NGIM's provide a dedicated specialist resource to internal authority departments and the telecoms market, acting as a single point of contact for all digital infrastructure issues and queries. Their programme of work involves extensive barrier busting, working across internal departments and external suppliers to streamline the process for digital infrastructure build and deployment.
- These are the first roles of their kind in Wales and we have been recognised nationally as a flagship model with Welsh Government encouraging other areas to appoint similar roles.

Project 2. 5G & IoT use cases, trials and testbeds

Status: Developed

- A grant investment fund has been established for 5G use cases, trials and testbeds. Initially ringfenced to City Deal Projects / Programmes and regional partners there are several mature opportunities emerging. It is likely that the regional opportunities for 5G will outstrip the current budget allocation of our programme.

- We have submitted an expression of interest to the DSIT Innovation Regions initial call and intend to submit a full application to the overarching competition when it is launched in the summer. A successful bid would secure significant additional inward investment in 5G infrastructure, use cases and applications.
- A LoRaWAN network continues to be deployed across the region increasing in scale and scope. Led by and delivered across all four local authorities, the network will establish a regional innovation network where public and private sector partners can test low power battery operated devices, mainly sensors. The local authorities are currently testing a range of uses including smart bins.

Rural Workstream

Description: We are working with communities, businesses, industry and government in the very hardest to reach parts of our region to ensure everyone can access better broadband. Our team of digital champions are on hand to provide information on voucher schemes and alternative technology such as 4G and satellite.

Project 1. Rural Demand Stimulation, Support and Engagement

Status: Live

- All resources are now in place and work is ongoing to support communities and individuals in hard-to-reach areas to access better broadband connectivity.
- A regional demand stimulation engagement plan is being delivered to raise awareness and drive adoption of improved connectivity in businesses and residential consumers.
- In 2021/22 over 1000 gigabit vouchers were issued to residents across the region. A further 521 ABC vouchers were approved under the Welsh Government Voucher Scheme. These vouchers provide funding to support some of our most poorly connected homes and businesses in obtain improved connectivity.

Project 2. Infill procurement

Status: Emerging

- This project has a budget of £6M of growth deal funding to directly invest in building improved connectivity for our worst served and hardest to reach premises.
- We are awaiting premises level data from UK Government on their planned “project gigabit” intervention in our region and Welsh Governments “very hard to reach” future investment. Both these projects are contributing towards our programme aims and objectives. Our resources are directly involved in the planning and delivery of both.

- We are working hard with both governments to ensure our regional investments compliment national investments as opposed to duplicating them. Once we have clarity and premises level data for national interventions, we will deliver a focused procurement to fill in the gaps in service provision to ensure we are complementary to the existing national and regional programmes. We expect to receive this data in the coming weeks.

4. Digital Programme Risks/Issues

4.1 The Digital Infrastructure Programme has a comprehensive risk register which is used to identify, record, monitor and mitigate against all Programme and individual Project risks. There are currently 16 live risks being managed across the Programme, of which 1 is currently classified as red:

Title	Risk description	Control actions
SRN Private Sector Investment	IF the SRN programme fails to meet its June 2024 deadline for partial not spot sites, THEN there is a risk that the investment and coverage improvements are lost.	<p>Share list of regional partial not spot sites with LPA's.</p> <p>Engage with LPA's senior leaders, management teams and officers to outline the SRN programme its strategic significance and benefits.</p> <p>Early engagement with members and communities affected by partial not spot sites to outline the SRN programme and its benefits.</p> <p>Lobby UKG and Ofcom to extend deadline if loss of investment and subsequent coverage improvement is extremely likely and/or imminent.</p>

As with risks, the Digital Infrastructure Programme has a comprehensive issue log to monitor and mitigate against all Programme and individual Project issues. There are currently 4 live issues being managed across the programme, of which the following 2 issues are classified red:

Title	Issue description	Control actions
Delivery	Engagement and communication need to be integrated into every aspect of the programme to maximise benefits and opportunities, attract	Recruitment of central business engagement and communication officer to the core digital infrastructure team

	additional investment, raise the programme's profile and credibility, and communicate this to a wide and varied audience. To achieve these objectives, we need a Business Engagement & Communications officer responsible for managing these activities.	
Financial	<p>Regional collaboration agreements between the four local authorities need to be in place before revenue funding for the two local resources per authority can be released.</p> <p>All posts are now in place and authorities are funding upfront at risk and unable to reclaim costs.</p>	<p>1. Engage with Regional finance and legal leads to ensure timely production of and amendments to funding and collaboration agreement templates.</p> <p>2. Escalate the risk to Portfolio level for relevant action and control.</p>

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 Risks and issues are managed through monitoring and evaluation at both Project and Programme level and reported, via the Swansea Bay City Deal's Programme Management Office, to the Joint Committee, where appropriate.
- 5.2 Specific Programme financial risks are outlined within the strategic case component of the Digital Infrastructure Business Case.
- 5.3 The procedures around the management of City Deal funding are detailed within the Joint Committee Agreement.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1 There are no additional legal implications associated with the report.

Background Papers: None

Appendices: None



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 27 July 2023

Swansea Bay City Deal Quarterly Portfolio Monitoring

Purpose:	To inform Joint Committee of the SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report for both the SBCD Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Joint Committee Agreement (JCA)
Report Author:	Amanda Halfhide (SBCD Senior Portfolio Support Officer)
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Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith (Deputy Chief Legal Officer)
For Information	

1. Introduction

1.1 SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report for the SBCD Portfolio and its constituent projects provides the Programme (Portfolio) Board with a summary of key activity for the last 3 months and current quarter planned activity.

2. Background

2.1 Annex A: Dashboard Quarterly Monitoring

A summary of all the Quarterly Reporting documentation. It was agreed by Joint Committee that the following components would be included in the initial iteration in quarterly monitoring dashboards:

Item	Theme	Update	Annex
1.	Programme / Project RAG Status	Waterfront Finance has moved from Red to Amber. Campuses Delivery has moved from Amber to Red. Campuses Finance has moved from Amber to Red – Delays with Funding Agreement.	A / B
3.	Portfolio Risk Register (Red Risks)	8 Red Risks. New Risk added around delay in release of Government funding and around delay in decision for recruitment of PoMO Manager role.	A

4.	Issues Log (Red Issues)	1 Red Issue around approval of funding agreements. Reduction from last Quarter due to know having recruited Finance Manager to support SBCD	A
5.	Benefits Summary	No change to jobs from last Quarter Investment increased to £262.1m (as of Q4 2022/23).	C
6.	Financial Management	Detailed information is in the Quarterly Financial Monitoring Report	-
8.	Assurance & Audit Reviews	Audit Action Plan will be included as part of the quarterly update	A
9.	Communications & Engagement & Business Engagement	Part of Quarterly Monitoring Report	B
10.	Procurement Pipeline	Minimal change. Main slippage is within Campuses Project. Updates shown in table 1 of cover report	E
11.	Change Management	Campuses change notification regarding increased costs for the Life Science, Well Being & Sports Facility OCE	B
12.	Construction Impact Assessment	No changes from previous report	D

2.2 Annex B: The SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report is made up of 2 levels with several components

- Portfolio
 - Communications and Marketing
- Programmes / Project
 - Scorecard with status summary
 - Previous quarter achievements and current quarter planned activities
 - Outputs

2.3 Appendix C: Benefits Summary

The SBCD Benefits Register captures the annualisation of Portfolio benefits for Investment, and Jobs that will be delivered up to 2032/33

There were no changes to jobs created reported this quarter.

2.4 Appendix D: Construction Impact Assessment Summary

The purpose of the combined risk/issues assessment and impact assessment is to highlight and quantify the specific risks/issues currently being experienced throughout the construction industry. SBCD Programme Board and Joint Committee have requested that all programmes and projects assess their current status and ongoing monitoring with regards the potential impact these construction challenges will have on the successful delivery of the portfolio and the constituent programmes and projects.

Table 1 shows a summary of risks identified in Programme / Project returns. No change since last reported:

Table 1

Risks	Impact Field	Scope	Targets	Time	Reputation	Stakeholder/ Partnerships	Proj. Costs	Procurement	Resources
Red		1	0	7	0	0	4	0	0
Amber		11	20	19	20	12	23	18	5
Green		35	27	21	17	35	20	29	42

2.5 Annex E: Procurement Pipeline

The SBCD has an agreed set of procurement principles that outline the expected approach for its programmes and projects to follow. Achieving the maximum of community benefit and social value are primary considerations of these principles.

This procedure accepts that there is an obligation in the WPPS for the public sector to report community benefits annually for projects over £1m, utilising an acceptable method such as the WG community benefits toolkit. The SBCD procurement principles acknowledge this requirement.

The SBCD Procurement Pipeline details the route of procurement, start and completion date and contract value which covers the design and construction phase of the SBCD Programmes and Projects

The Portfolio in Q1 2023/24 is generally on track with minimal changes from Q4 2022/23. Campuses showing slight slippage in delivery. Changes reflect that the projects and programmes are in delivery and maturing their procurement plans with more accurate delivery target from contractors.

Project/programme procurement movement this quarter include:

Table 1

Waterfront - Innovation Matrix	71-72 Kingsway completion date moved from Q4 2023 TO Q1 2024
Digital	Connected Places – On site date added – Q4 2025. Rural Connectivity - Design Date moved from Q1 2023 to Q4 2023. Procurement date moved from Q3 2023 to Q1 2024. Next Gen procurement date moved from Q2 2023 to Q4 2023. Completion date added – Q4 2026.
Pembroke Dock Marine	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDI - Land Remediation and laydown at south of site 	Completion date moved from Q4 2023 to Q1 2024.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEECE - X Band Radar 	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEECE – Marine Buoys 	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEECE - Hydrophones 	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEECE - Acoustic Software 	Complete

• META – Environmental Scoping	Completion moved from Q3 2022 to Q2 2023
• META – Technical Feasibility	Completion moved from Q3 2022 to Q2 2023
• PDZ – Animation	Completion Date added – Q2 2023
• PDZ - Research & Development	Completion Date added – Q2 2023
• PDZ - Offshore surveys	Procurement Date added – Q1 2023
Campuses	
Phase 1a Morriston refurbishment	Design date moved from Q4 2022 to Q3 2023. Procurement Date moved from Q2 2023 to Q1 2024 On Site Date moved from Q2 2024 to Q4 2024 Completion Date moved from Q3 2024 to Q4 2024
Phase 1b Campuses Building	On Site Date moved from Q1 2024 to Q2 2024 Completion Date moved from Q4 2025 to Q1 2026

3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report. Portfolio financial monitoring will be reported separately through the Accountable Body.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

5. Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

5.1 The SBCD Portfolio and its constituent projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual project business cases.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A: Dashboard Quarterly Monitoring

Appendix B: SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report

Appendix C: Benefits Summary

Appendix D: Construction Impact Assessment Summary

Appendix E: Procurement Pipeline

Appendix A

SBCD Portfolio RAG Status

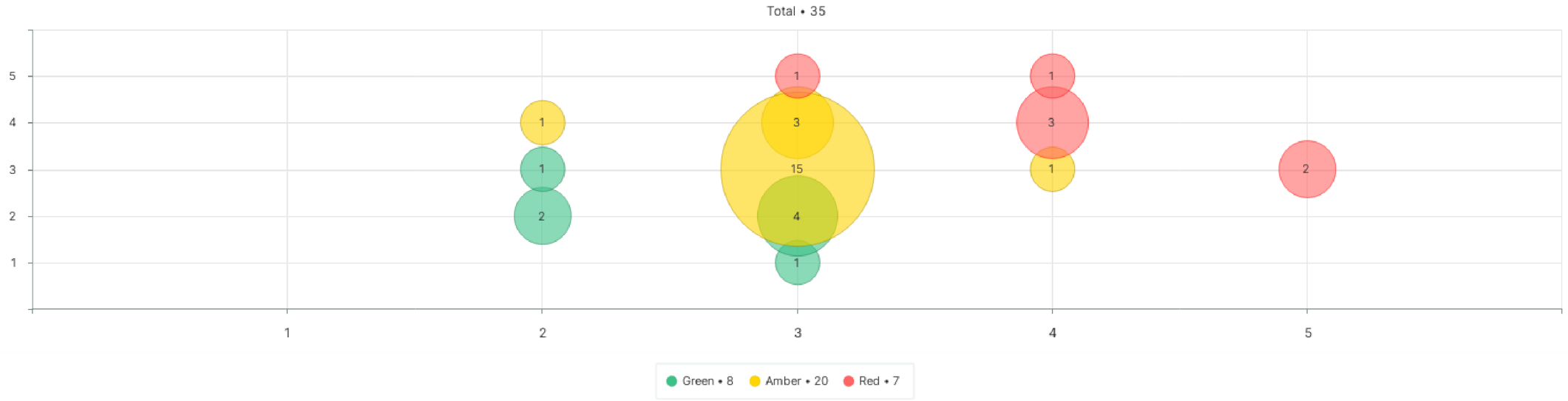
Name ↑	RAG Delivery	RAG Scope	RAG Staffing/resource	RAG Finance	RAG Stakeholder Engagement	RAG Overall Rating
Campuses	Red	Green	Red	Amber	Green	Red
Digital Infrastructure	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
HAPS	Amber	Green	Green	Amber	Amber	Amber
PDM	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber	Amber
Pentre Awel	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
SILCG	Amber	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Skills & Talent	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Swansea Waterfront	Amber	Green	Green	Amber	Green	Amber
Yr Egin	Green	Amber	Green	Amber	Green	Amber

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SBCD Red Issues

Issue ID	Issue Rating	Description	Follow on Actions
SBCD025	Red	Delay in funding agreements being approved	<p>.31/03/23 Campuses project continues to be delayed currently with the Lawyers in Swansea University and Swansea Council. Resolution in place and due to be completed imminently. PoMO to chase status of 3 Regional Programmes / Projects and their funding agreements.</p> <p>29/06/23 Campuses agreement still outstanding, currently looking at approx 18/24 months delay compared to timeline outlined in Business Case.</p>

Portfolio Risks



Red Risks

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Name	Resid...	Description	Mitigation Plan
Private sector funding contribution/s not realised in line with business case projections	Red	Risk that private sector funding is not realised as per portfolio business case projections that will impact on the deliverability of outputs and outcomes with specific connection to jobs target of the SBCD	<p>03/04/23 Paper didn't go to January Programme Board. Vacant Finance Manager post deemed this was not a key priority that point in time. Deferred until April.</p> <p>15/06/23 Private Sector contribution report was submitted through Governance Boards in April / May 2023 and was well received. Private Sector contribution submissions now part of quarterly monitoring as of July 2023 (Q1 2023/24). PoMO will produce an annual Private Sector Investment Status Report using Q4 monitoring and submit through SBCD Governance Boards in June 2024</p>
Increase in cost of construction	Red	Risk that cost of construction may increase impacting on budgets set out in Programme / Project Businesses resulting in an overspend	<p>03/04/23 Continue utilising Construction Impact assessment highlighting the Portfolio funding gap which will be taken from the Construction Cost Assessment report. Continue to work with Programme and Projects on funding and build impacts linked to any value engineering activity undertaken in order to reduce increase cost pressures.</p> <p>15/06/23 Programmes / Projects have reported no change in forecast cost increases since Q3 2022/23. Future iterations of the Construction Impact Assessment will include a tab highlighting the previously forecasted funding gap allowing projects to update actual figures once procurement activity has been completed. Finance Manager to review potential inflation impacts of projects to be procured later than this financial year.</p>
Welsh Government 2021 update of TAN) 15 development risk of flooding, coastal erosion & associated flood planning maps.	Red	Proposed updates to the TAN and maps have recategorised the vulnerability of certain developments, increased the extent of the flood maps and the ability of land owners and local authorities to potentially achieve planning permission and ultimately develop land affected by the 2021 updates.	<p>03/04/23 NRW re-reviewing TAN 15 wording and flood maps in relation to feedback from Local Authorities and consultation undertaken post original release. Further details to follow.</p> <p>15/06/23 The focussed consultation on further changes to Technical Advice Note 15 (TAN 15) concluded on 17 April. Analysis of the consultation responses is now underway and there is a substantial amount of detailed work to be undertaken in analysing the responses. Given the size and complexity of the task in analysing the responses and making further changes to the TAN it is unlikely that the new version of the TAN will come into force before the end of this year</p>

In Year Underspend	Red	Having undertaken a reprofiling and baselining exercise across the Portfolio, there is a risk of an in year underspend of circa 10% of the portfolio value, however this has no effect on the overall investment of the Portfolio or the wider benefits and deliverables.	<p>03/04/23 CCC Finance to undertake re-profile of slippage from current year and future profiled investment in Q1 23/24</p> <p>15/06/23 Financial reprofile undertaken Q1 2023/24 and will be reported through SBCD Governance Boards.</p>
Slippage in delivery of programmes / projects against key milestones	Red	As all City Deal Business Cases have now been approved the risk that City Deal doesn't achieve the outcomes intended within the timescales agree due to slippage in delivery of programme against key milestones resulting in borrowing and recuperation not accurately reflecting spend. Has been re-assessed following the closing of Risk ID SBCD013.	<p>03/04/23 Through Celoxis and centralised Gantt charts we should be able to view the slippage. PoMO need to be persistent with the change management process</p> <p>28/06/23 The Portfolio has been tasked with reprofiling following in year slippage and determining accurate spend profiles which will provide more accurate delivery and completion milestones. (Linked to Financial Slippage Risk). PoMO have undertaken a refresher training session for change processes and PL's will need to complete all outstanding change notifications and requests to ensure accurate change to timelines has been recorded.</p>

Active Change Requests

ID	Name	Description	📄
001	Innovation Matrix Reprofile	Change Request Confirmation of Financial Reprofile Confirmation of revised Delivery Timeline	📄
002	Swansea Waterfront	Change Notification Update Completion Date Swansea Arena Update Planned Completion Date 71/72	
003	Digital Infrastructure Change Notification	Change Notification Confirmation of Business Case Updates	
004	PDM Confirmation of PDI Completion Date	Change Notification Confirmation of PDI Completion Date	
005	Campuses	Change Notification New estimate for sketty lane construction cost is £17.2 M as opposed previously forecast from the funding gap paper	

Portfolio Gateway Review Action Plan

Task	Date ↓	% Comp	Comments	
Recommendation 4 - Enhance the clarity of reports and communications through increased use of plain, clear language and executive summaries.	12 Jan 23	100%	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review process initiated for SBCD governance groups. 2. October Programme Board instructed PoMO to review all reports and updates for accuracy, clarity and consistency. This was undertaken and individual meetings were set up with SROs throughout November. These meetings covered key areas and requirements for SBCD reports and a Summary Report has been prepared, highlighting key findings and is to be reported back to January 2023 Programme Board for information. 	
Recommendation 3 - Increase access to PoMO intelligence & data for individual Projects, to facilitate proactive analysis & options planning, tightening governance links	12 Jan 23	100%	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. P3M software procurement complete. Initial development of baseline information and templates ongoing. PoMO completed Celoxis training in December 2022 and are currently populating quarterly reports for Q3 2022/23 on to the system. Once quarterly reports have been fully uploaded, baseline set up will be complete and will allow project / programme leads to report and record information through the system from the start of Q4 2022/23. 2. Following rollout of P3M software to the programmes / projects, information should be received by the portfolio office in almost real time, allowing for quicker intervention 3. PoMO has updated governance arrangement schedule to all stakeholders in August. JC forward work plan to be updated and reported in September 	
Recommendation 2 - Embed active monitoring of costs across the Portfolio and map against the benefits profiles, to inform any downstream prioritisation or re-phasing options.	12 Jan 23	100%	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitoring schedule for quarters 2,3 and 4 in place for 2022/23 2. PoMO actively engage with PMs and SROs on the change management process. Individual meetings held with all SROs to provide feedback on current reporting quality and provide suggestions for consistency 	
Recommendation 1 - Ensure that individual Business Cases are maintained as live governance tools to keep pace with changing dynamics of the operating environment.	12 Jan 23	100%	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing meetings between PoMO and programme / project leads re: development of business cases 2. Guidance on business case update process approved by Joint Committee on 10th November 3. Programme / project IAAPs being continually monitored and updated by PMs and reported quarterly to detail the business case updates schedule 	

Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio Quarterly Monitoring Report (April - June 2023)

Appendix B

Programme / Project Scorecard							
Prog / Proj	Status Update	Delivery	Scope	Staffing Resource	Finance	Stakeholder Engagement	Overall (change)
Digital Infrastructure	Remains on target to deliver objectives, with PSBA FFIB order to be submitted by September 2023, and 5G investment fund for use cases and trials in final stages of approval. All local staff resources have now been recruited with on-going recruitment of a central Business Engagement & Communications Officer. Stakeholders in UK and Welsh Governments continue to be fully engaged, working closely with the Programme, ensuring alignment of national and regional connectivity projects, notably Project Gigabit. The Programme's new website has been launched as a central point of information for stakeholders, and continuous engagement with telecoms providers has shown active interest in the Programme's developments, remaining fully committed to engage. Resource capacity has increased due to recruitment of resources but continues to be some pressure to deliver at an organisational level, all of which is mitigated through risk management.						↔
Pembroke Dock Marine	Overall and Finance Reduced to Amber, Cost increase has been included in Program Board papers. MHPA have concluded discussions with WEFO and are further along contract process. Given the uncertainty, there is still potential for cost uncertainty to impact project / program deliverables but will be updated and managed through project / program governance.						↔
Pentre Awel	<u>Delivery</u> – Remains Green following the execution of the NEC3 Construction Contract, entered into by Carmarthenshire County Council and Bouygues UK. Formal works commenced on 6 th February 2023 with piling works currently ongoing and to schedule. <u>Finance</u> – risk reduced from amber to Green following agreement of contract sum with Bouygues UK for Zone and prior approval at Full Council. Subcontractor packages now to be procured by BYUK. Lease agreements with proposed tenants for Zone 1 are progressing. Risks relating to build costs, inflation and materials are being managed by Bouygues and Gleeds.				↓		↔
Yr Egin	Increasing economic uncertainty and Covid implications impacting on levels and nature of demand. Following Phase 1 Lessons Learned exercise, an updated Creative Sector demand analysis has identified a significant change in the type of target companies (by financial size) and nature of provision required (bespoke support services rather than leased floorspace). Internal team putting in place process to identify required revisions to meet industry requirements post-COVID. Project team moving forward with Change Notice for Egin Phase 2						↔
Campuses	Delays with the funding agreement have started to affect the timeline of the project. Upon signing of funding agreements a change notification will be submitted to reprofile timelines of outputs. Scope of the project remains unchanged as per the Business case however particular focus is on the affordability of the Phase 1 Singleton development and Morryston Management Centre. Mitigating actions formulated and pending project board approval. Delivery and finance red due to funding agreement not being signed. The principles of the primary funding agreement between Swansea Council and Swansea University have been agreed and an agreement has been issued for signature. The secondary funding agreement between Swansea University and SBUHB is being drafted.						↑
Homes As Power Stations	HAPS Financial Incentives Fund application ready for launch, subject to the Subsidy Control measures being in place. Supply Chain Lead role has been recruited and will progress the next steps from the mapping carried out by OPUS. Regional stakeholder engagement is progressing well and within Welsh Government departments, ensuring continuity and joined up discussions to benefit the project and region.			↓			↔
Supporting Innovation & Low Carbon Growth	Multiple projects in delivery namely SWITCH, AQMP, LEV, PDF, H2 stimulus project. The BTC was officially opened by Rt Hon David TC Davies on 22 nd June. There was good attendance, involving presentations and a tour to meet tenants. There are BTC 5 tenants with active pipeline of enquiries. Morgan Sindall appointed for the design and build of the SWITCH Harbourside facility with monthly design meetings starting in May 23. Enhanced AMPF project is going through an OBC process in consultation with stakeholders. SILCG Programme Board meets quarterly. Delivery Amber due to pandemic and knock on delays to some projects. Lessons learned from BTC construction is informing future projects such as SWITCH. PDF stage 2 process underway. LEV strategy under development. AQMP project recruiting new data analyst.						↔
Skills & Talent	Full project team recruited and in post. 12 Pilot projects already approved and moved/moving into delivery. A further 3 pilots to be considered by RLSP Board in coming weeks.				↓		↔
Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District	71-72 Kingsway construction continuing at pace. Innovation Matrix has begun onsite. Arena Hotel funding discussions progressing well. Discussions ongoing between Swansea Council & UWTSB about the delivery of the Innovation Precinct. Trinity projects - funding on amber				↓		↔

Title	Portfolio Management Office (Communications & Marketing)	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
Officer	Heidi Harries (SBCD Communications & Marketing Officer)		

Key achievements

- 53 positive mentions in local, regional, national and specialist media. Previous quarter was 61 therefore down by 8 mentions. This included coverage on Wales Online, Western Mail the South Wales Evening Post, Wales Business Insider, Business News Wales, Wales 247, Inside Media, and specialist publications. Topics covered include: 4theRegion Conference, Skills Pilot project: Destination Renewables, Footage inside the Kingsway, Swansea University New Zero Skills pilot, Work starts on Innovation Matrix, Bay Technology Centre opens.
- Twitter posts - From 1st April to 30th June 'reach' was 82,453 – this is the number of people that saw the posts, engaged, clicked on, re-tweeted, commented or liked. Number of followers is 1,571.
- Facebook posts - From 1st April to 30th June 'reach' was 6,017 – this is the number of people that saw the posts, engaged, clicked on, re-tweeted, commented or liked. Number of followers is 1014.
- Approval of the SBCD Annual Report 2022 -2023 by Programme Board
- Finalised plans for the Pembrokeshire Meet the City Deal event.
- Attended the Innovation Matrix Ground-breaking event and the opening of the Bay Technology Centre
- Represented the City Deal in the Welsh Business Show and RLSP Annual Event
- Case Studies/ Interviews with apprentices.
- Outline key milestones for each quarter for financial year 2023 – 2024.
- Social posts and web updates on HAPS Financial Incentives Fund, Recruitment, Hydrogen Gateway Expo, Kingsway video footage, Net zero Skills project, Bay Tech centre opening, Innovation Matrix.
- Attendance in ongoing Marketing and Communications subgroup meetings with the Pembroke Dock Marie project and Pentre Awel project.

Key Activities planned – October, November & December

- Publish the SBCD Annual Report 2022 -2023 following approval by Joint Committee.
- Complete the City Deal leaflet.
- Complete the new City Deal branding and a slogan.
- PR on Apprentices
- Coordinate and attend the Pembrokeshire Meet the City Deal event.
- Plan the Neath Port Talbot Meet the City Deal event.
- Attend a Marketing and Communications subgroup meeting for projects as possible.
- Prepare a UK Government and Welsh Government potential visit plan to include 71/72 Kingsway and Skills & Talent.
- Continued updates on the website and social media.
- Finalise the SBCD Newsletter

Title	Portfolio Management Office (Business Engagement)	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
Officer	Peter Austin (SBCD Business Engagement Manager)		

Key achievements over the last 3 months

- Support Programmes and Projects** - Ongoing business engagement support for programmes and projects this quarter includes:
- Supporting Pentre Awel at the community benefits event held at PyS with Bouygues and local schools
 - Supporting SILCG at the opening of the Bay Technology Centre
 - Supporting Skills and Talent Initiative at the RLSP Summer conference
 - Coordinated third PL's Construction Sub group meeting
- Events** - Events supported include:
- CWMPAS Business Changemakers event - Yr Egin

- UKREiiF in Leeds
- SMART FIS fund launch
- Hydrogen Gateway event – ICC Newport
- Ongoing work includes planning regional showcase events including finalising arrangements for the event in July with Pemb CC, Haven Enterprise Zone and PDM partners
- Initial discussions for a regional SBCD event in Neath Port Talbot
- Review of marketing material and promotional materials for younger audiences and public consumption

Business Engagement - Several meetings this quarter with businesses:

- Ongoing meetings with Waymaker / Pure Energy Wales Renewables Ltd. Private sector inward investment enquiry supporting Barry Hale CCC and WG.
- David Dimmock – SWALEC re opportunities through SBCD
- Mark Davies Introbiz re Expo in Swansea
- Andy McIntock - Allinea Corporate re potential inward investment opportunity – shared with regional leads
- Jonathan Calver - PWC re Energy Demand Consortium proposal, shared with regional leads and WGES

Support stakeholder groups

- Attendance at CEIC and Princes Trust Digital Skills Pathway steering group meetings
- Liaison with Business Wales, Antur Cymru and Cwmpas re supply chains and business opportunities
- Paul Relf – Swansea Council re SPF and other regional funding programmes
- Robert Mills – Respiratory Innovation Wales regarding presenting at future Construction sub group meeting
- Ian Mabbet - Swansea University re supporting University application for PBIAAs
- Simon Griffiths – OPUSBS re supply chains
- Rhian Mathias – Princes Trust re engagement with SBCD P&Ps
- David Madge & Sarah Evans – CWMPAS re inclusion of social enterprise in SBCD delivery
- Tom Taylor & Gareth John UKGov DBT – introductory meeting/UKREiiF
- Liz Turner - Head of Team UKGov DBT re investment portfolio
- Richard Shaddick - Investment Manager WG Investment team, re investment portfolio
- Colber Adamian - Thomas – Adamian Group re investment portfolio

Economic Strategy Board - This quarter focussed on:

- Attendance at UKREiiF with ESB Chair
- Liaising with CJC Manager to facilitate discussions on external advisers and role of ESB members to CJC
- Facilitating ESB meeting with Luke Millward the EARTH project Manager regional investment website development

Other Activity:

- Participated in a research interview with Sheffield Hallam University – re SME awareness of NCZ agenda
- Finalising arrangements with Western Gateway Partnership to attend UKREiiF
- Developing SBCD Newsletter with PoMO
- Ongoing development of SBCD website
- Coordinating guest speaker for next Construction sub-group meeting
- Business Engagement support for programmes and projects
- Planning further regional showcase events – with NPTBC in October and Carmarthenshire tbc
- Updating Portfolio events plan

Ongoing Activity

- Business Engagement activities
- Monitoring Portfolio procurement pipeline
- Updating the PoMO Events planner
- Responding to enquiries received via the City Deal email inbox and other avenues
- Managing SBCD LinkedIn account
- Support Comms & Marketing officer in promotion of SBCD

Key Activities planned – Oct, Nov, Dec

- Attendance at CEIC Summer conference 4th July and Welsh Business Show 5th July
- Meet the SBCD Pembrokeshire, 20th July BIC Pembroke Dock
- Continue to engage and support stakeholders, programmes and projects, businesses, and ESB Board
- Continue planning for regional showcase events
- Support Comms & Marketing officer in promotion of SBCD

- Begin planning event calendar for 2024

Project Title	Pembroke Dock Marine	Programme / Project Lead	Steve Edwards
Local Authority Lead	Pembrokeshire County Council		
Project Delivery Lead	Milford Haven Port Authority	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Steven Jones		

Budget	
Total Budget	£60.47m
City Deal	£28m
Public	£16.35m
Private	£16.12m

Description

This programme will place Pembrokeshire at the heart of UK and global zero carbon, marine and offshore energy innovation, building on the expertise of a marine energy cluster in Pembroke Dock. Facilities will be provided for marine energy innovators to build, test and commercialise their technologies. Project features include:

- Pembroke Dock Infrastructure (PDI) improvements
- A Marine Energy Engineering Centre of Excellence (MEECE)
- Marine Energy Test Area (META) developments
- The Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone (PDZ)

Key achievements (Overall Objective ID shown in brackets)

PDI update

Slipway/Workboat

- pontoons A&B are now berthed and in position at the new piles adjacent the Ferry berth dolphins. Pontoon C has been delivered to site and undergoing M&E fitout prior to launch.
- Installation of the new walkways and gangways are underway at the T Head.
- East side of the new slipway is ready for partial handover to operations planned for end of June.
- Commencement of the final demolition phase of the existing west side will start immediately following go live of east side.
- Slipway extension precast concrete planks 100% installed.
- All 26 metre lighting masts on the slipway flanks are installed along with ducts and cabling.
- Infilling of the timber pond is on target with crushing operations of the capping layer well underway.

Laydown space

- Levelling of site, service diversions, installation of new drainage and placing of hardcore are ongoing with approx. 75% of new concrete slabs poured to date.
- Bombora test tank has been decommissioned, dismantled and removed to storage in Gate 1.

PDZ update

- Technical Concept Study for a small Multi connection Substation supporting the Test and Demonstration FLOW projects and a 100MW project in the PDZ are showing a £90m consumer saving versus each project connecting independently.
- CSP have been engaging with key stakeholders of influence to ascertain appetite to support this with the key message being to help create an environment where this can be seriously considered.
- Full specification for on and offshore surveys have been delivered with P80 budget and Schedule.
- Heads of Terms, Option agreements and Book of Reference has been delivered for multiple cable routes leading to Pembroke.

- Technical Pre-feed for 2x 1GW Substations targeting support for commercial FLOW projects have been delivered.

META update

- Ongoing monitoring of Settlement lines trial, Dale Roads site.
- Installation and ongoing monitoring of low carbon concrete trial, Quayside 1 site. Installation of local weather station.
- Participation in trials of novel anchor design, Dale Roads site.
- C-ADCP deployments at Warrior Way.
- Meetings with potential users of META sites:
 - Tidal Tech - Tidal stream
 - Exocubes – Scour protection engineered to enhance biodiversity
 - Re. Possible sustainable Aquaculture developments.
- Community involvement with Renewable Energy (including Marine) event, Croesgoch.
- Completion of and reporting on seabed habitat survey, to enhance information available for potential users of META sites.
- Post-deployment seabed survey, Warrior Way.
- Discussions with NRW re. possible formats to review our Marine Licence.
- ROV training and familiarisation.
- Attendance at Ocean Business event.
- Sponsorship of PRIMaRE conference – attendance, presenting and panel membership.
- Development of MoUs / Joint Working Agreements:
 - Society of Underwater Technology
 - Morlais

MEECE update

- Delivered three workshops around Wales, on space-enabled opportunities in Offshore Wind
- Attended MEW Advisory Board meeting, and Working Group in Llandudno
- Wrote a letter of support for PoMH’s FLOWMIS bid.
- Attended Senedd Cross Party Group on Renewable and Low Carbon Energy
- Met with Crown Estate to discuss funding opportunities from Offshore Wind Evidence and Change Programme (OWEC)
- Met with Swansea University & PCC to discuss Skills & Innovation as part of Celtic Freeport
- WEFO-funded part of MEECE finishes on June 30th, with final claim submission on July 21st
- Some WEFO targets achieved, most very close. Confident that the outputs will be acceptable to WEFO

Key Activities planned

PDI

Heritage mitigation works to existing Paddock walls will commence in July after agreement with the PCC Historic Conservation Officer and CADW.

PDZ

- Ongoing engagement with key stakeholders around T&D Co-ordination MOS
- Updating the SCBD and The Crown Estate Business Plan
- Preparation for Final ERDF Claim (due 21st July)
- Progressing development of collaborative bid with ERM Dolphyn to OFGEM’s Strategic Innovation Fund for £500k funding to develop feasibility for a 100MW
- Floating Wind/Green Hydrogen project connecting into Hyline Cymru.

MEECE

- Now focusing on Legacy funding for activities, and how we can embed Innovation support into the Celtic Freeport business plan.

META

- International Waters workshop October 2023, Orkney. Planned META attendance.
- Deployment of scour protection engineered to enhance biodiversity, East Pickard Bay site.
- Deployment of barge mounted hydrogen production trial, Criterion Jetty.
- Experience use of ROV event with local schools

Project Title	SBCD Campuses Project	Programme / Project Lead	Clare Henson
Local Authority Lead	City and County of Swansea		
Project Delivery Lead	Swansea University	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Keith Lloyd		

Budget	
Total Budget	£130.44m
City Deal	£15.00m
Public	£58.01m
Private	£57.43m
Description	
<p>The project harnesses unique capabilities and the thriving life science ecosystem in the Swansea Bay City Region to establish an international centre for innovation in life science, wellbeing and sport, supporting preventative interventions in healthcare and medicine and driving the growth of a globally significant Sports Tech industry. The project will deliver R&D, trials and testing facilities, enabling co-location of research and industry alongside clinical infrastructure and investment opportunities. An emphasis on digital and data-driven innovation at the intersection of life sciences, health, wellbeing and sport is a key differentiator for this project within the South Wales health and life sciences sector.</p>	

Key achievements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued workstream meetings held with WS1 Morriston Management Centre, WS2 Sketty Lane, WS3 Education, WS4 Enterprise and Innovation, WS7 Research, WS8 Health and well being WS9 Morrison Link Road, Singleton Phase 2 Sketty lane engaging with stakeholder groups Continued discussions held Primary Funding agreement. Secondary funding agreement being drafted Continued development of key business relationships and development of research and innovation collaborations Change notification to update WS2 Sketty lane construction costs submitted to SBCD on 27th June 2023 Attended Medi Wales conference 28th June 2023 and presented campuses project
Key Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary funding agreement signed Secondary funding agreement to be reviewed, approved and signed in parallel with primary agreement WS2 - Stakeholder option presentation; Progress with Stage 3 design, BREEAM review and definition meeting to take place
Change Notification
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campuses change notification regarding increased costs for the Life Science, Well Being & Sports Facility OCE <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Sketty Lane construction costs estimated to be £17.2m – risen from OBC of £12.79m. Project about to move into RIBA Stage 3 when costs will be firmed up with confirmation once the main contractor procurement process is completed. No impact on delivery of outputs, quality, benefits (Portfolio and project) Linked to Campuses risk 14 relating to rising construction costs. Mitigations: RIBA Stage 3, value engineering, internal awareness of rising costs at SU, capital plan to include the shortfall of £4.4m, options appraisal to reduce costs

Project Title	Homes as Power Stations (HAPS)	Programme / Project Lead	Oonagh Gavigan
Local Authority Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council		
Project Delivery Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Nicola Pearce		

Budget	
Total Budget	£505.5m
City Deal	£15m
Public	£114.6m
Private	£375.9m
Description	
<p>HAPS is a regional pioneering project to facilitate the adoption of houses with energy efficient design and renewable technologies in both new build and existing housing stock in the public, RSL and private sector across the City Region. The project will support the implementation of renewable technology by facilitating collaboration across the region and creating a platform to share lessons learned. The Technical Monitoring and Evaluating contract will provide data and the ability to realise many of the project benefits. HAPS will support a regional supply chain of proven technology to enable the wider benefits associated with the project.</p> <p>The project will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate the take up of renewable technologies and energy efficient design in new build and existing housing stock Support a regional supply chain of proven technologies. Establish an open access knowledge sharing hub to share the project findings with all sectors across the region and wider Tackle fuel poverty Further decarbonise the regional economy Improve residents’ health and well-being 	

Key achievements
<p>Project Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OPUS BS have completed the initial supply chain mapping exercise. Simon Griffiths from OPUS presented findings and recommendations to Project Board. Additional round of Supply Chain Lead interviews were held, successful post holder due to commence 17th July 2023. FIF application forms, guidance, and scoring criteria complete with stakeholder, WSOA and legal department input. Scoring panel/Technical Advisory Panel member list for the Financial Incentives Fund was approved by Project Board Comms and Marketing Plan commissioned and created by Urban Foundry which was presented to Project Board. Ongoing engagement with stakeholders to raise awareness of Financial Incentives Fund. FIF ‘landing page’ created on SBCD website to provide supplementary information for potential applicants. Technical Monitoring and Evaluation planning meetings held with Cardiff University Welsh School of Architecture to ensure collaboration with existing work and current opportunities.
Key Activities planned
<p>Project Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create a ‘Subsidy Scheme for the Financial Incentives Fund’ covering all principles associated, with support and advice from NPT Legal Team. Continue to work closely with UK & Welsh Government to ensure the Optimised Retrofit Programme and ECO 4 Flex opportunities are maximised alongside HAPS funding. Continue to gather information supporting Business Case Update – Economic Case

- Complete change notifications supporting financial and investment modifications.
- Plan event with SO Modular in Neath, highlighting Modern Methods of Construction, using Welsh Wood – a supply chain within the region.
- Continue to plan stakeholder engagement and communication to ensure best practice is shared.
- Continue liaison with Skills and Talent program to ensure opportunities to address skills shortages are addressed.
- Continue to seek further funding opportunities to support the HAPS Benefits.
- Continue attending relevant networking events to highlight HAPS and strengthen the information available.

	Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth		
Local Authority Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council	Programme / Project Lead	Brett Suddell
Project Delivery Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Nicola Pearce		

Budget	
Total Budget	£58.7 m
City Deal	£47.7 m
Public	£5.5 m
Private	£5.5 m

Description

The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth (SILCG) programme has been developed to deliver sustainable growth and job creation in the Swansea Bay City Region, with a targeted focus on the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone area. It aims to create the right environment for a decarbonised and innovative economy.

The programme will support the green industrial revolution and will be delivered in partnership with industry, academia and government.

The Programme of interlinked projects comprises:

- Bay Technology Centre
- South Wales Industrial Transition from Carbon Hub (SWITCH) with Swansea University
- Hydrogen Stimulus Project with University of South Wales
- Air Quality Monitoring Project
- Low Emission Vehicle Charging Infrastructure
- Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility, including an enhancement to the BC for a training centre of excellence
- Property Development Fund

Key achievements

Project Development

- Given outcomes from JC and PB around unallocated funding, an OBC will be prepared around the new enhanced AMPF project incorporating a National Net Zero Skills Centre of Excellence
- Risk register meeting review undertaken mid May

- Worked with Swansea University on a £5M EPSRC Grant application under the Place Based Innovation Accelerator Account funding call. This involves Cardiff University and University of South Wales plus NPT and Welsh Government around “SWITCH to Net Zero Buildings”. This has passed stage 1 and next stage are panel interviews on 27th June
- Enhanced Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility OBC commenced
- Attended Celoxis training event
- Attended SBCD Construction and community benefits sub-group meeting.
- NPT Hosted a Net Zero Industry Wales Industrial Decarbonisation in Insecure Times workshop: Understanding (visual) media and interpreting (solar) visions at Port Talbot Civic Centre with interested stakeholders and presentations given by Professors Karen Henwood and Nick Pigeon around Pembroke Dock and Port Talbot residents workshops
- SILCG PB met 8th June

Bay Technology Centre

- BTC presented as part of the SBCD presentation at CEIC conference at Swansea.com stadium
- BTC Now has 5 tenants in the building occupying 37.38% of the total rentable floor space. Further potential tenants being processed in the pipeline.
- Official opening of the centre took place on 22nd June 13:30 to 15:00. Welsh Secretary of State the Rt. Hon. David TC Davies attended, Welsh Government sent a video from Vaughan Gethin Welsh Minister, Presentation from Morgan Sindall on BTC construction. This was followed by tours to 5 companies to observe first-hand what they do. The event finished with the Hyppo Hydrogen car demonstration.
- APSE service awards 2023 under Category 10: Best Climate Action or Decarbonisation initiative. Submitted application and is being reviewed by judges – decision expected by July 28th, with awards final on 14th Sept in Belfast.

SWITCH

- Announcement of successful contractor (Morgan Sindall) on 2nd May
- Kick off meeting held with all parties on 18th May
- First design meeting took place on 8th June with subsequent monthly meetings scheduled
- Meeting held with Swansea University to progress Heads of Terms document with lessons learned from letter of indemnity being taken into account

Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility

- Visit arranged to UWTSO SA1 campus to view facilities on 3rd May
- Meeting held with Welsh Government around land acquisition and potential location
- Organised a workshop meeting for 4th May involving key stakeholders e.g. Welsh Government, Industry Wales, AMRC led by Professor Keith Ridgeway responsible for setting up other similar manufacturing centres in Wales/UK
- Unallocated funding update – agreement from SBCD PB, JC, and SBCD JSC that NPT have first refusal on unallocated £5.3M funds to put towards National Net Zero Skills Centre for Excellence on combined enhanced AMPF project
- EAMPF OBC being developed

Property Development Fund

- Stage 2 applications being prepared by 5 successful applicants
- Face-to-face meetings with applicants being held to talk through process, requirements and timings
- Submission dates applicant specific depending on level of readiness

Hydrogen Stimulus Project

- 100KW electrolyser installed and commissioned on site (higher than planned 75-80KW electrolyser in BP)
- Funding agreement awaiting approval by USW held up due to unforeseen personnel issues at USW.
- Attended Western Gateway hydrogen conference at the ICC

Air Quality Monitoring Project

- A general maintenance day has been planned to tend to any faulty units. Currently identifying failed sensors for replacement to be undertaken imminently
- Vortex monitors have been recommended by Ricardo for use in PM10 exceedance day source apportionment exercises.
- Ricardo are to continue QA/QC of the network and their Year 1 summary will be made available following the ratification of data.
- Advertised and recruitment for replacement data analyst underway following Max Bonar-Law’s departure in April.

Low Emission Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

- Continued development of NPT ZEVIS to complete final client review stage
- Submitted EVCP funding bid for 2 x Rapid Charging Hubs
- Developed thoughts on NPT regional role – lead on workshops, round tables, develop common/consistent policies

- Raised profile of EVCP accessibility issues and PAS 1899 standards compliance
- Key ULEV contacts in each of the four LA's in the SBCD region have been contacted to set up a meeting to discuss regional approach, asses common challenges and look for regional solutions
- Convened inaugural NPT ZEV and Infrastructure working group. A multi stakeholder group to identify and address the different challenges across the business units and professional services of NPT and agree roles and responsibilities.

Key Activities planned next Quarter

Project Development

- EAMPF OBC to be created and finalised ready for SILCG PB, SBCD PB and SBCD JC approval later in the year
- Confirm SILCG PAR review dates

Bay Technology Centre

- Secure additional tenants
- Develop marketing materials

SWITCH

- Further design meetings to be held
- HoT to be progressed and sent to SU for sign off

Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility

- Final version of OBC to be created
- Progress Land acquisition with WG

Property Development Fund

- Submission of stage 2 applications deadline 14th August
- Report for approval to be sent to SILCG PB for 14th September meeting

Hydrogen Stimulus Project

- Sign off USW funding agreement
- Follow up hydrogen refuse trucks discussion from hydrogen conference

Air Quality Monitoring Project

- New data analyst in post, training to be undertaken
- Analysis of air quality data

Low Emission Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

- Continue with strategy development

Project Title	Pentre Awel	Programme / Project Lead	Sharon Burford
Local Authority Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council		
Project Delivery Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Chris Moore		

Budget	
Total Budget	£199.19m
City Deal	£40m
Public	£51
Private	£108.19
Description	

Proposed for an 83-acre site at Delta Lakes in Llanelli, Pentre Awel will be the first development of its kind in Wales. The project will include the co-location of academic, public, business and health facilities to boost employment, education, leisure provision, health research and delivery, and skills and training.

City Deal will provide the requisite investment for business incubation and acceleration facilities, laboratory space, testbed capabilities, a well-being skills centre, clinical research centre and a clinical delivery centre to deliver multi-disciplinary care closer to home. The design for Zone 1 will create an 'ecosystem' by facilitating joint working across traditional boundaries, integrating education and training programmes within a clinical setting and fostering interface between health and leisure for the benefit of population health.

Pentre Awel will include state-of-the-art leisure centre funded by Carmarthenshire County Council.

A network of integrated care and rehabilitation facilities will also be provided on site to enable the testing and piloting of life science technologies aimed at enhancing independent and assisted living.

Assisted living accommodation will also feature, along with a nursing home, expansion space for businesses, elements of both open market and social and affordable housing, and a hotel.

Key achievements in Q4 2022/23

Project development

Zone 1 construction works are progressing in accordance with the agreed programme:

- Piling works concluded early June 2023
- BYUK site accommodation completed May 2023 with full welfare, office and meeting facilities now in place
- Excavation of main pool and hydrotherapy pool underway, together with formation of car park

A virtual Meet the Buyer event was held in June 2023 to promote future Sell2Wales and sublet tendering opportunities to the local supply chain.

Bouygues Community Benefits programme continues to go from strength from strength. During the reporting period, monthly 'Employment Hubs' have been held to engage target groups (unemployed, economically inactive, school leavers, NEETS) and promote recruitment and training opportunities available during the construction phase. In addition, BYUK is undertaking reviews of TR&T opportunities with subcontractors following their appointment.

In May 2023, a CCC/BYUK 21st Century Skills project was formally launched at Parc Y Scarlets. Funded by the City Deal Skills & Talent programme, this Real World Learning (RWL) project will see pupils from 5 Llanelli schools taking part in a design challenge under the mentorship of BYUK professionals, supplemented by site visits and reference visits to Sbarc in Cardiff University.

Issue 3 of Bouygues Community Newsletter was issued in April 2023. 'Residents Surgery' held onsite 6th June providing an opportunity to meet the project team.

Mapping of education and skills provision across the region, aligned with future job roles at Pentre Awel, completed and approved by Education Group. This work forms the basis of the business cases under development with training providers.

Communications Plan in place and agreed by partner comms leads – outlines PR and marketing activities to be undertaken across construction, leisure and health. Monthly Comms Group meetings held.

Key Activities planned Q1 2023/24

- Zone 1 construction: site visit and media event to be arranged early August 2023 to coincide with the next construction milestone - the erection of the structural steel frame.
- Finalise lease agreements with key tenants.
- Issue #4 of BYUK Community Newsletter to be distributed in August 2023.
- Progress an innovative proposal with Cyfle in relation to the sponsorship of MEP apprenticeships.
- Expression of Interest (EOI) to be issued to the market for a catering operator within Zone 1.
- Communications:
 - Revamp of Pentre Awel webpages in July 2023
 - Development of Welsh language promotional video
- Outcome of Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) bid to support the business and innovation components of Zone 1 Capital expected.
- IRCF bid in preparation to cover funding for fit-out of clinical research, TriTech, hydrotherapy and audiology.

- Complete appraisal of a long list of options for outdoor activities / projects at Pentre Awel centred around four themes: leisure and recreation, education and development, environment and health and community engagement.
- Planning/scoping of assisted living facilities within Zone 2 (nursing home, residential rehabilitation and extra care).

Project Title	Digital Infrastructure Programme	Programme / Project Lead	Gareth Jones
Local Authority Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council		
Project Delivery Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Jason Jones		

Budget	
Total Budget	£55m
City Deal	£25m
Public	£13.5m
Private	£16.5m
Description	
<p>To significantly improve digital connectivity throughout the City Region for the benefit of businesses and residents, also helping to attract inward investment. The project is made of up of three Project workstreams:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connected Places • Rural connectivity • Next generation wireless (5G and IOT networks) 	

Key achievements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalised action plan for PSBA FFIB order and submitted final site list for quote – MoUs signed by all partners; progress remains positive. • Completed recruitment of all local resources in all four local authority areas. • Finalised approach and established mechanisms for delivery of regional 5G investment fund for use cases/trials. Grant investment currently pending final approval. • Hosted BT immersive learning demonstration at Gelli Aur college to explore opportunities of funding immersive learning classroom to increase 5G coverage on campus and surrounding area via 5G investment fund. • Launched new website for the Digital Infrastructure programme. • Submitted Expression of Interest to DSIT Innovation Regions Competition. • Established plans and timescales for significant Shared Rural Network (SRN) investment across the region working with UK and Welsh Government.
Key Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete recruitment of central Business Engagement & Communications officer to support delivery of programme. • Complete mapping of dark fibre network and conduct stakeholder workshop. • Signatory of collaboration agreements between LA partners. • Arrange and conduct Gateway review – review arranged for w/c 9th October 2023. • Supporting Local Authorities with ongoing Digital Infrastructure interventions and investment. • Programme risk mitigation ongoing. • Market engagement with operators and suppliers ongoing. • Additional lobbying for, facilitating, and supporting of private sector investment.

- Hold launch event for Regional Digital Innovation Network in partnership with regional partners and Welsh Government
- Confirm plans for UK Government Project Gigabit investment in the region and identify preferred way forward to meet remaining needs across the region.

Project Title	Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District	Programme / Project Lead	Huw Mowbray
Local Authority Lead	Swansea Council		
Project Delivery Lead	Swansea Council	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Martin Nicholls		

Budget	
Total Budget	£175.35m
City Deal	£50m
Public	£85.38m
Private	£39.97m
Description	
<p>To boost Swansea city centre’s economic well-being at the heart of the City Region’s economy, while retaining local tech, digital and entrepreneurial talent. This project includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A digitally enabled indoor arena in the city centre for concerts, exhibitions, conferences and other events • A ‘digital village’ development in the city centre to accommodate the city’s growing tech and digital business sector • Innovation Matrix development at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David’s new Swansea waterfront campus to enable start-up company support and growth 	

Key achievements
<p>Digital Arena</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SC project team continuing with final snagging works. • Hotel: Heads of Terms with preferred developer being finalised. Discussions with WG on funding package progressing. <p>71/72 Kingsway Construction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing discussions regarding the claims made by BYUK relating to the groundworks, basements walls and waterproofing. • Construction continuing onsite – now at fourth floor. The Contractor has updated the programme which now shows a completion date of end January 2024. • Digital and data specialist knowledge is being utilised to facilitate the Digital infrastructure. <p>71/72 Kingsway Commercials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flex tenant HoT’s advanced/final location in building agreed. • Letting, Marketing and Branding agents have been appointed and current interest from potential occupiers is being followed up. • Appointment secured for a specialist who is advising on management of the building and procurement of a property management agent. Ongoing discussions regarding landlords fit out within tenant and landlord area's including IT infrastructure and power supplies. • Discussions ongoing with City Deal Digital project. <p>Innovation Matrix:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project is onsite and progressing according to programme plan • Tenant HoTs at 75% of available net lettable space • Tenant engagement is ongoing to finalise fitout plans

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Value targets are on track. <p>Innovation Precinct:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Options appraisal workshop has been completed to support the CRN and will be appended in the re-submission Ongoing negotiations with the Local Authority development partner regarding potential property delivery model
Key Activities planned
<p>Arena</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress Hotel delivery options. <p>71/72 Kingsway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree name and branding. Formal Marketing to commence. Ongoing discussions with potential tenants. Finalise Heads of Terms with Flex Tenant once service charge estimate has been provided. Progress Building Management Strategy and procurement documents once all the initial queries have been resolved and landlord decisions have been made. Draft property management agreement and leases to be drawn up by external lawyer. <p>Innovation Matrix & Precinct:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuation of construction programme Preparation for Gateway assessment for Innovation Matrix Continuation of negotiations with local authority for development of Innovation Precinct Completion of change request notification for Innovation Precinct

Project Title	Yr Egin - Creative Digital Cluster	Programme / Project Lead	Geraint Flowers
Local Authority Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council		
Project Delivery Lead	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	Reporting Period	Q1 2023/24
SRO	Prof. Medwin Hughes (Vice Chancellor)		

Budget	
Total Budget	£25.17m
City Deal	£5m
Public	£18.67m
Private	£1.5m

Description	
<p>To support and further develop the region’s creative industry sector and Welsh language culture, led by University of Wales Trinity Saint David campus in Carmarthen. Phase 1 was completed in September 2018 and features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National creative sector anchor tenants World class office space for local and regional creative sector SMEs, with opportunities for expansion Facilities for the community and business networking <p>Facilitating engagement between businesses and students as well as accommodating dynamic growth of the creative and digital industries within Carmarthenshire and SW Wales.</p>	

Key achievements	
Project Development	

- University has engaged expert consultants to develop a proposal centred around the provision of a Digital Production Facility in existing University space.
- University has begun drafting Change Notification that will encapsulate the proposed change to the Egin Phase 2 project
- Key concept and equipment requirements developed

Key Activities planned

- University to complete initial Change Notification to evidence the requirements for Egin Phase 2 and document the rationale behind the change in delivery methodology
- Ongoing financial development to understand new project cost requirements etc.
- Further engagement with creative and digital sector to ensure that the proposed Egin Phase 2 project will satisfy requirements going forward
- Survey of proposed location for Egin Phase 2 along with design and development work commencing

Project Title	Skills and Talent	Programme / Project Lead	Samantha Cutlan
Local Authority Lead	Carmarthenshire County Council		
Project Delivery Lead	South West Wales Regional & Skills Partnership	Reporting Period	Q4 2022/23
SRO	Barry Liles		

Budget	
Total Budget	£30m
City Deal	£10m
Public	£16m
Private	£4m
Description	
To develop a sustainable pipeline of regional talent to benefit from the high-value jobs City Deal projects will generate in growth sectors for the region. This includes the potential to develop skills through courses and training and apprenticeship opportunities aligned to City Deal projects and regional priorities, as well as a partnership approach involving schools, universities, businesses and training providers across the region to identify need and resolve skills development gaps.	

Key achievements
<p>Business Case Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 Pilot project applications have now been approved by RLSP board. • Gateway Review completed resulting in a 2nd Delivery Confidence Assessment Green Rating. • Barometer Reviewed and Updated. With Sector Skills gap analysis and reports now being undertaken. • Development of Website. • Swansea Bay City Deal Skills Subgroup set up.
Key Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive and review further pilot project applications. • Website update being completed with a view of increased marketing activity and website updates to raise awareness of Programme and stimulate further pilot applications. • Claims process set up, 3 claims cycles completed, with actual outputs starting to be reported. • Ongoing discussions with interested parties regarding further pilot project development.

ANNEX 1

RAG Status	
R	<p><i>Major problems identified which mean the programme / project is unlikely to deliver the agreed scope to the required standard on time or on budget, or to deliver the expected benefits.</i></p> <p><i>Remedial plans are not proving effective.</i></p> <p>Escalate to programme / project sponsor for support to resolve.</p>
A	<p><i>Some problems identified which may put the programme / project's scope, time, cost, and/or benefits at risk. Remedial plans are in place and are being monitored to ensure that risk is mitigated.</i></p> <p>Highlight to programme / project sponsor for visibility and awareness.</p>
G	<p><i>Programme / Project is proceeding according to plan. Risks/issues are being managed within the programme / project.</i></p> <p>No need to escalate to next level.</p>

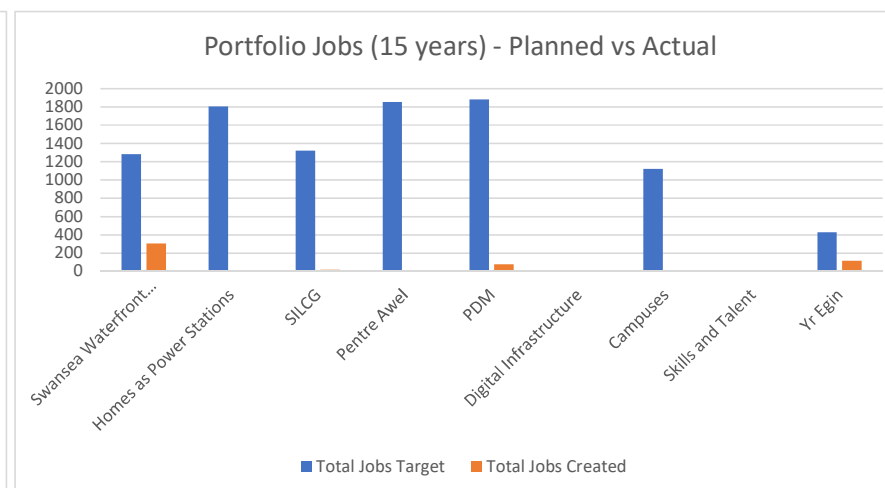
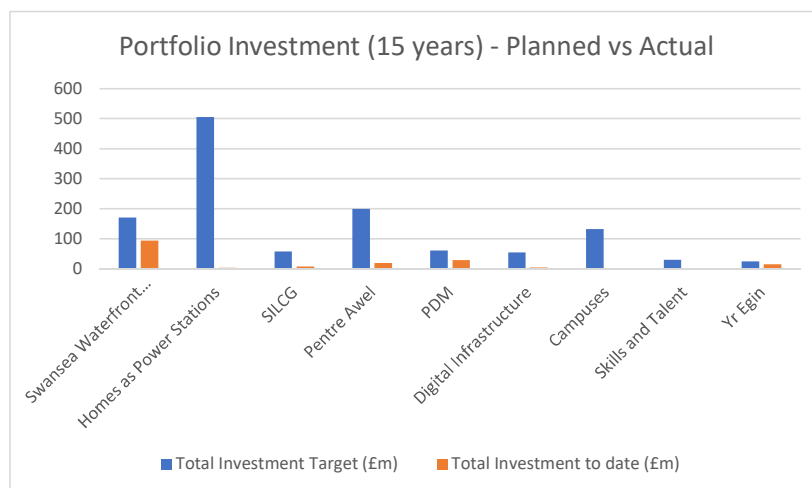
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Project/Programme	Total Investment Target (£m)	Total Investment to date (£m)	Total Jobs Target	Total Jobs Created	Business Case Status	Project Stage	Stage Commencement	Stage Completion
Swansea Waterfront Digital District	171.54	95.10	1281	306	Approved - FBC	Partial Delivery (2/4)	Oct-19	Q4-2027
Homes as Power Stations	505.50	42.92	1804	9	Approved - OBC	Pre-procurement	Jul-21	Q1-2022
SILCG	58.70	10.88	1320	17	Approved - OBC	Partial Delivery (2/7)	Nov-20	Q4-2025
Pentre Awel	199.19	30.46	1853	4	Approved - OBC	Pre-construction	Oct-21	Q1-2022
PDM	60.47	44.57	1881	77	Approved - OBC	Partial Delivery (1/4)	Sep-21	Q1-2024
Digital Infrastructure	55.30	19.55	0	6	Approved - OBC	Pre-procurement	Mar-21	Q2-2022
Campuses	131.98	2.22	1120	4	OBC regionally approved	Pre-approval	Jul-21	Q1-2022
Skills and Talent	30.00	1.39	0	2	Submitted - OBC	Pre-approval	Jul-21	Q4-2021
Yr Egin	25.17	15.07	427	117	Approved - FBC	Partial Operation (1/2)	Sep-18	Q4-2023
	1237.85	262.15	9686	542	N.B There are also in excess of 100 Part Time jobs which have been created by the Arena since opening, after 12 months of operations these will be reviewed to determine an appropriate FTE allocation			
		21.18%		5.60%				

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Swansea Bay City Deal

Construction impact assessment summary report



Date	July 2023
Version	V9.0

Construction Impact Assessment Summary Report

1.0 Introduction

The purpose of the combined risk/issues assessment and impact assessment is to highlight and quantify the specific risks/issues currently being experienced throughout the construction industry. SBCD Programme Board and Joint Committee have requested that all programmes and projects assess their status and ongoing monitoring with regards the potential impact these construction challenges will have on the successful delivery of the portfolio and the constituent programmes and projects.

2.0 Returns

As of 10th July 2023 following multiple discussions and requests for completion of the SBCD construction impact assessment, below is the status of returns.

Programme/Project	Status of Return
Swansea Waterfront	Complete – No Change
Swansea Campuses	Complete - No change
SILCG	Complete – No Change
Skills and Talent	Nil return - not currently a direct issue
Yr Egin Phase 2	Nil return - current review of delivery strategy and strategic alignment will complete within next few months once strategy complete and approved
Pentre Awel	Complete - No change
PDM	Complete - No change
Digital infrastructure	Nil return - on-going BC updates will complete within next few months once BC updates complete
HAPS	Complete - No change

3.0 Construction impact assessment (CIA) Requirements

The CIA has been developed with 9 key questions listed below, whilst providing projects the opportunity to highlight specific risks or issues under question 10:

		Identify as Risk or Issue
	<u>People</u>	
1	Decreased available labour and/or suitable subcontractors and suppliers	
2	Main contractor delivery/management team - skills and capacity issues in terms of project delivery	
	<u>Materials</u>	
3	Lack of availability of construction materials	
4	Quality of materials (due to lack of stock of preferred option)	
	<u>Finance</u>	
5	Rising construction costs results in exceeding/increasing programme / project budget	
6	Contractor / subcontractor / supplier going bankrupt/experiencing financial difficulty	
	<u>Timelines</u>	
7	Delays in project programme due to traditional infrastructure project factors such as ground/weather/construction site issues etc	

8	delay in obtaining relevant construction related / operational approvals	
	<u>Policy/political</u>	
9	revised industry/governmental statutory & mandatory requirements - including technological/policy/political advancements since initial planning phases	
	<u>Other</u>	
10	Please highlight any other risks/issues in relation to construction not highlighted above	

These questions are scored across 8 fields of potential impact of low/medium/high (probability x impact). The fields of impact are:

Scope and key objectives	Targets	Timescales	Reputation if project fails to deliver	Stakeholders/ partnerships commitment	Project costs	Procurement	Staff resourcing
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Once completed the author must then identify mitigations that are/will be put in place along with any resource requirements in enacting these mitigations.

No Change

4.0 Summary of Risks identified in returns

Risks	Impact Field	Scope	Targets	Time	Reputation	Stakeholder/ Partnerships	Proj. Costs	Procurement	Resources
Red		1	0	7	0	0	4	0	0
Amber		11	20	19	20	12	23	18	5
Green		35	27	21	27	35	20	29	42

5.0 Quantification of impact

Once known the impact of these risks becoming issues will likely result in a change, the CIA has been developed so that all quantification links to the 5 categories of change derived in the SBCD change procedures, namely:

- Financial/costs
- Timescales
- Quality
- Programme and/or project benefits are impacted
- Portfolio benefits are impacted

6.0 Assessment of Increasing Construction Costs Paper

6.1 In late 2022 the POMO set out to identify and forecast the impact of increasing construction cost on the SBCD.

6.2 The result was the creation of a Paper titled Assessment of increasing construction costs.

6.3 The current version (V6) was presented to programme board in November 2022, outlining a potential £31m funding gap across the SBCD portfolio.

7.0 Assumptions made in forecasting the impact on the Portfolio.

7.1 Current estimates (Aug 2022) have been provided by projects, these have been identified where current tender prices have been provided. Cost inflationary estimates have been used where projects are pretender.

- 7.2** Inflation rates have been applied to demonstrate projected estimation figures. Building Cost Information Service (bcis.co.uk) indices were used to calculate projected estimations for future years (2023/24 – 3.2%, 2024/25 – 3.9%). These indices are industry specific and were deemed most appropriate to apply.
- 7.3** Inflationary rates are estimated and where Building Cost Information Service indices have been used these by their nature do not account for volatile or unexpected adjustments.
- 7.4** All forecasting within this report is only current on the day of writing, given the uncertainty and volatility previously discussed all future construction costs will vary from the forecast below and may potentially increase further prior to contract award or during delivery.
- 7.5** HAPS and Skills and Talent have been omitted from assessment due to the specific nature of their delivery.

8.0 Portfolio Review/status

- 8.1** Currently the portfolio is demonstrating a £31m increase in construction costs. These costs are then expected to be managed by Local Authorities and Lead partners, cost of which are outside the original budget allocations.
- 8.2** The current estimation (August/November 2022) has been derived using actual costs, current tender pricing and cost estimation. These are based on actual and anticipated delivery timelines i.e. build of infrastructure.
- 8.3** Future projections have been derived utilising Building Cost Information Service indices.
- 8.4** Future zones/phases in respect of the life science projects (Pentre Awel and Campuses) have been omitted as SBCD funding is not directly utilised to develop these and due to their nature, a reliable estimate is unobtainable at present.
- 8.5** The following tables describe the current situation (August-November 2022) and any mitigations with potential consequences

<u>Programme/Project</u>	<u>Construction Estimate (Per BC) (£)</u>	<u>Current Estimation (Aug 2022)(£)</u>	<u>Variance (£)</u>	<u>Development Position</u>
<u>SILGC</u>				
Bay Technology Centre	8,500,000	8,883,000	- 383,000	Delivered
SWITCH	15,000,000	17,564,046	- 2,564,046	Estimated
Advanced Manufacturing	17,200,000	21,595,189	- 4,395,189	Estimated
	40,700,000	48,042,235	- 7,342,235	
<u>Pentre Awel</u>	79,000,000	86,000,000	- 7,000,000	Procured
<u>Yr Egin</u>				
Phase 1	14,868,348	14,868,348	-	Delivered
Phase 2	10,301,653	12,956,872	- 2,655,219	Estimated
	25,170,001	27,825,220	- 2,655,219	
<u>Swansea Waterfront - Innovation Matrix/DLF & Precinct</u>				
Innovation Matrix/DLF	13,232,099	15,984,542	- 2,752,443	Estimated
Innovation Precinct	17,424,458	21,092,933	- 3,668,475	Estimated
	30,656,557	37,077,475	- 6,420,918	
<u>Campuses</u>				
ILS Innovation Centre - Singleton	12,790,000	14,451,217	- 1,661,217	Estimated
ILS Innovation Centre - Morriston	2,210,000	2,497,300	- 287,300	Estimated
	15,000,000	16,948,517	- 1,948,517	
<u>PDM</u>				
Pembroke Dock Infrastructure	41,593,611	45,879,000	- 4,285,389	Estimated
	41,593,611	45,879,000	- 4,285,389	
<u>Digital Infrastructuionre</u>	20,500,000	22,097,114	- 1,597,114	Estimated
Net Total	252,620,169	283,869,561	- 31,249,392	
<u>Swansea Waterfront - Arena & Digital Village</u>				
Digital Arena	95,045,842	89,203,265	5,842,577	Delivered
Digital Village	49,648,253	48,540,125	1,108,128	Procured
Total	397,314,264	421,612,952	- 24,298,688	

Programme / Project	Shortfall	Mitigating Actions	Action status	Likely Impact of Mitigation
Campuses	£1,948,517	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore further funding opportunities Reduction of scope i.e. smaller footprint 	Potential	Significant decrease on scope could affect available office space and associated income
Swansea Waterfront a) Digital District & Digital Village	£3m (est. between £2-3m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fixed price contracts with tier 1 contractor 	Actual	Possible impact on the subcontractors working on this scheme, many of which will be local firms.
Swansea Waterfront b) Innovation Matrix and Precinct	£6,420,918	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value engineer project delivery model. Assess viability of alternative funding sources. Reduce volume of infrastructure. Potential change of delivery mechanism for Innovation Precinct to better suit the economic/market environment as well as to take advantage of any partnership opportunities. 	Actual Actual Potential Potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change to refurbishment (rather than new build) model for Innovation Precinct (likely). Potential reduction in current benefits projections Change in funding arrangements and amounts for both projects. Collaborative approach likely to be developed with key private/public sector partners.
Yr Egin 2	£2,655,219	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value engineer infrastructure Secure further funding Reduce volume of infrastructure Change phase 2 to align to current regional demands. 	Potential Potential Potential Potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change of delivery model, potentially leading to lower capital spend. Potential change to overall project outcomes and benefits through reduced volume of infrastructure.
Centre Awel	£7m	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value engineering exercise undertaken. Changes to materiality and some omissions undertaken. Reduction of building area by 750 sqm. Local authority to invest further capital into the project. Increased use of digital and remote delivery for education and training, health and research/innovation. 	Actual Actual Actual Actual Actual	<p>Manageable and appropriate changes to the building design and associated infrastructure.</p> <p>Within the City Deal demise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduced space to deliver education, skills and training activities Some reduction in business area. Mitigatable via Zone 3 business expansion centre Removed conferencing facility <p>Research, health and innovation spaces have been maintained</p>
SILCG	£7,342,235	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review accordingly and see what can be delivered at current rates within the previously agreed budget potentially doing less for more (cost). Look to obtain further funding. 	Potential Potential	<p>Nil response in relation to previously highlighted AMPF shortfall of circa £4.395m</p> <p>Nil response in relation to BTC shortfall £383k</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For SWITCH, the overall budget for the project is £20M split into £15M build and £5M for specialist equipment. If projected build costs are >£15M then there is a £1M buffer available from the specialist equipment budget to utilise to offset cost increases 	Potential	Less funds available for specialist equipment (SWITCH)
Digital Infrastructure	£1,597,114	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor the situation and engage with fibre and mobile industry to better understand the situation. Continue to work with the private sector, encouraging and facilitating their investment in our region. Helping to ensure the private sector goes as far as possible with their investment. Seek to secure more public funding towards the regions needs and ambitions for fibre and mobile infrastructure. If necessary, reduce our delivery scope to fit the budget i.e. less infrastructure deployed for the funding we have available. Still relatively confident we will deliver on the key investment objectives of the programme. 	Actual Actual Actual Actual	To be confirmed
PDM	£4,285,389	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competitive tenders and further review of Best and Final with additional scrutiny. Innovation in designs to deliver outcomes and outputs at less cost which has removed an additional £10m from the current estimate above. I.E without this the forecast would have been circa £55m. Innovative trading and phasing within overall programme to deliver the individual phased outputs and outcomes. Additional funding sought with WEFO and secured partial help. 	Actual Actual Actual Actual	<p>The 4 bullet points get us to the Outputs as defined within the Final business case and on track to get to the outcomes.</p> <p>The potential Shortfall is still circa £4.3m as above and we are reviewing future phases over 2023 to see where we can apply more of the points to potentially close this gap.</p>

9 Conclusion/recommendations

9.1 Areas of High concern

There are currently 3 areas of high concern, these being:

- Scope
- Time
- Proj. costs

All of these areas will be continually monitored and over time as any issues arise along with associated change requirements, change notifications and change requests will be submitted to the PoMO and reported/escalated accordingly to stakeholders as per the SBCD change procedures.

9.2 Areas of Medium concern

There are currently 3 areas of medium concern, these being:

- Delivery of targets
- Potential reputational damage
- Project costs

9.3 As projects and programmes develop, all areas of concern will continually be monitored through the construction impact assessment, to ensure that all change is reported, recorded, escalated and approved appropriately, any mitigations required are implemented and the overall success of outcomes, outputs and impacts are not affected.

9.4 The funding gap identified is based on inflationary pressures and rising construction costs with a current estimated funding gap of £31.2m. This gap is based on the anticipated or actual difference in costs from approved outline business case to date (Aug-2022).

9.5 Gleeds Autumn review recommends that “As the challenging backdrop persists, it remains important to make projects attractive to the supply chain to obtain the best prices. Mitigation measures seen include:

- Proactive negotiation with preferred main contractor/subcontractors/suppliers to work through risks and issues
- De-risking of projects as much as possible through surveys and enabling packages
- Phasing/splitting of large projects to reduce risk via shorter programme length
- Early orders to secure materials/products to protect the programme and to obtain cost certainty
- Booking of key resources/teams to secure the best for the project
- Use of fluctuation clauses, prime cost (PC) sums, provisional sums, index linking of material supply costs, etc.
- Increased understanding of pipeline and financial standing
- Consideration of alternatives in case of sourcing difficulties
- Being open to different suppliers to ensure competition.

9.5 While value management is always important, it is particularly so at a time when budgets are under pressure. Regular reviews should be undertaken to look for opportunities and to ensure the best use of available resources.

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Programme	Lead body	Project(s)	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District	Swansea Council	Indoor arena and digital square	Swansea Council	£105m	Buckingham Group Contracting Ltd appointed	2018	Q4 2019	Q4 2019	Q4 2019
		Arena (ATG) Food and Drink Building services	ATG / Swansea Council	various	Sell2Wales, tbc		Q2 2022		Q4 2021
		71-72 Kingsway office accommodation	Swansea Council	Circa £49.6m	Bouygues UK appointed via SWWRC Framework	2020	Q3 2021	Q4 2021	Q1 2024
		Innovation Matrix	UWTSD	Circa £9m	Procured - Kier PAGABO Framework	2022	Q4 2021	Q1 2023	Q2 2024
		Innovation Precinct	UWTSD	Circa £17.42m	SWWRC Framework (TBC)	2023	Q4 2023 (Predicted)	Q1 2024 (Predicted)	Q1 2025 (Predicted)

Programme	Lead body	Project	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
Yr Egin	UWTSD	Creative Business Hub Phase 1	UWTSD	Circa £10.48m	KIER – via SEWSCAP2 Completed	Dec 2015	March 2016	March 2017	Completed July 2018
		Creative Business Hub Phase 2	UWTSD	tbc	tbc	Q3 2022 – Q1 2023	Q2 2023 (anticipated)	2023 (anticipated)	2024 (anticipated)

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Digital infrastructure	Carmarthenshire CC	Connected places	Carmarthenshire County Council	£20m	Various	Q3/4 2022	Q2/Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q4 2025
		Rural connectivity	TBC	£25.5m	tbc	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	tbc	tbc
		Next generation wireless (5G and IOT networks)	TBC	£9.5m	tbc	Q1 2023	Q4 2023	Various	Q4 2026

Programme	Lead body	Project	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
Skills and Talent	Carmarthenshire CC	Courses, training and apprenticeship opportunities	TBC		tbc	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q4 - 2022	Q1 - 2023

Programme	Lead body	Project	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
SBCD Campuses	Swansea University	Phase 1a Morryston refurbishment	SU/SBUHB	Circa £1.25m	SWWRFC/Sell to Wales	Q3 2023	Q1 2024	Q4 2024	Q4 2024
		Phase 1b Campuses Building	Swansea University	Circa £12.75m	Design and Build SWWRFC/SEWSCAP	Stage 2 Q4 2022	Stage 3 Q3 2023	Stage 4 Q2 2024	Q1 2026

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Pentre Awel	Carmarthenshire CC	<p>City Deal funded: Facilities for education, skills and training, business development, clinical delivery and research</p> <p>Carmarthenshire County Council funded: Leisure and aquatics centre and communal infrastructure</p> <p>Zone 3 procurement of design development – outside City Deal Scope.</p>	Carmarthenshire CC	<p>Circa £70m</p> <p>Circa 650k</p>	Bouygues UK appointed via SWWRC Framework	2018 - 2022	Q2/3 2021	Q4 2022 (enabling work complete)	Completion Zone 1 Q3 2024
					Client side services contract – Gleeds Appointed through WPA framework	2021/ 2022	Q3 2021	Q1 2023 (mobilisation to full construction).	
					Appointed through WPA framework – AHR		TBC	TBC	

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Homes as Power Stations	Neath Port Talbot CBC	Monitoring and evaluation services	NPTCBC	£1m	Sell 2 Wales	2021 Q4	2022 Q1		
		HAPS financial incentives fund	NPTCBC	£5.75m	Fund – to be advertised to all	2021 Q4	2023 Q1 – fund launch		
		HAPS regional supply chain fund	NPTCBC	£7m	Fund – to be advertised to all	2021 Q4	2023 Q2 – fund launch		

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Programme	Lead body	Project	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth	Neath Port Talbot CBC	Bay Technology Centre	NPTCBC	Circa £7.9m	SWWRC Framework Morgan Sindall (main contractor)	Q3 2019	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2022
		SWITCH Specialist facility (construction)	NPTCBC	Circa £15m	SWWRC Framework	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q1 2024	Q2 2025
		SWITCH Specialist equipment	NPTCBC	Circa £5m	tbc	Q2 2022	Q1 2025	Q2 2025	Q3 2025
		Low emission vehicle charging infrastructure	NPTCBC	Circa £0.5m	tbc		Q3 2022		Q1 2023
		Air quality monitoring sensors	NPTCBC	Circa £0.5m	Procured	Q4 2019	-	-	-
		Hydrogen stimulus project	NPTCBC	Circa £1m	tbc	Q3 2022	Q3 2022		
		Advanced manufacturing	NPTCBC	Circa £12m	SWWRC Framework	Q1 2023	Q3 2023	Q1 2025	Q2 2026

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Page 94		Production facility (construction)							
		Advanced manufacturing Production facility Specialist equipment	NPTCBC	Circa £5m	Tbc	Q4 2022	Q1 2026	Q2 2026	Q2 2026
		Advanced manufacturing Production Facility End operator	NPTCBC	Tbc	Sell2wales	Q4 2025	Q2 2026		
		Property Development Fund	NPTCBC	Circa £10m	Fund – to be advertised to all. Third parties to procure construction				

Programme	Lead body	Project	Procuring body	Contract Value	Procurement route	Design date (Cal Yr)	Procurement date (Cal Yr)	on site date (Cal Yr)	Completion date (Cal Yr)
Pembroke Dock Marine	Milford Haven Port Authority	Pembroke Dock Infrastructure							
		a) Hanger Annex Renovations	MHPA	£5.2m	MHPA Procedures – Design Sell2 Wales - Construction	Q2 2019/20	Q1 2021	Q3 2021	Q1 2023
		b) Amenity and pocket park	MHPA	£300k	Sell2Wales	Q2 2023	Q4 2023	Q2 2024	Q4 2024
		c) Slipway, berthing & Infilling the Pickling Pond	MHPA	£14m	Sell2Wales	Q4 2019 to Q4 2021	Q4 2020 to Q2 2021	Q2 2022	Q4 2023
		d) Land Remediation and laydown at south of site	MHPA	£6m	Sell2Wales	Q3 2020	Q2 2021	Q2 2022	Q4 2023
		e) Infilling of the Graving dock	MHPA	£3m	Sell2Wales	Q1 2021	Q3 2022	TBA	TBA

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Page 95	f) Terrestrial development, demolitions, levelling, transportation corridor and Utility provisions.	MHPA	£6.4m	Sell2Wales	Q2 2022	Q4 2022	Q2 2023	Q4 2024	
	Marine Energy Engineering Centre of Excellence								
	Materials for prototypes	OREC	£100k	Sell to Wales / Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q3&4 2021 Q1-4 2022 Q1-4 2023	Q3/Q4 2021 Q1-4 2022	Q1 2022 2022 – Q1 2023	
	Vessel hire for deployments in META		£26k	Sell2Wales		Q3 2021	On Going	On Going	
	Meta berthing fees		£196k	SSJ		Q4 2021	On Going	On Going	
	X Band Radar		£84k	Sell to Wales / Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q3 2022	Q1 2023	Complete	
	Marine Buoys		£75k	SSJ		Q1 2023	Q2 2023	Complete	
	Hydrophones		£77k	Sell to Wales / Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q4 2022	Q2 2023	Complete	
	Acoustic Software		£22k	SSJ		Q12023	Q1 2023	Complete	
	Marine Energy Test Area Developments								
	Environmental surveys		£30k	Sell to Wales / Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q3 2022		Q3 2022	
	Insurance		£30k	Sell to Wales/Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q1 2022		Q1 2022	
	Legal support		£10k	Sell to Wales/Find a Contract (value dependant)		Q1 2024			
	The Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone								
	Environmental scoping – Defining the scope of the Environmental Surveys that will inform the EIA.	Celtic Sea Power	£150,000	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales		Q1 2023		Q3 2022	

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		Technical feasibility and concept design, initial engineering design of the MOS, on and offshore cabling arrangements to feed into the EIA process.	Celtic Sea Power	£150,000	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales		14/02/22		Q3 2022
		Monitoring & Evaluation	Celtic Sea Power	£30,000	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales Scope in Development		Q1 2023		Q2 2023
Page 96		Land Agent Support	Celtic Sea Power	£120,000	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales		Q3 2022		Q2 2023
		Animation	Celtic Sea Power	£44,200	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales		Q3 2022		Q2 2023
		Research & Development – Review of PDZ	Celtic Sea Power	£60,000	Services Contract Open Below threshold – Sell2Wales		Q1 2023		Q2 2023
		Offshore surveys – environmental surveys to inform the offshore EIA.	Celtic Sea Power	£2.1m	Service Contract OJEU Open above threshold with PIN – MyTenders & Sell2Wales		Q1 2023		Q2 2023
		Pre-Front Engineering Study (design package) to prove technical and economic feasibility	Celtic Sea Power	Up to £600,000	Service Contract OJEU Open above threshold with PIN – MyTenders & Sell2Wales		Q4 2022		Q2 2023

Agenda Item 12



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 27 July 2023

Q4 2022/23 Financial Monitoring - Final Outturn Position

Purpose:	To provide Joint Committee with the final outturn position for 2022/23 for the Swansea Bay City Region.
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal
Consultation:	Accountable Body
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee: 1) Reviews and approves the final outturn position for 2022/23.
Report Author:	Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
Finance Officer:	Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith, Deputy Chief Legal Officer, SBCD

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report details the final outturn position of the Joint Committee and the Portfolio Investment Fund. The Financial Monitoring Report presents the City Deal Accounts in a detailed format, in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's financial management system.

2. Joint Committee – Final Outturn Position 2022/23

2.1. Supplementary Information

The outturn position includes 'Top Slice' of Government Grants in terms of income. On drawdown of government grants, 1.5% of this will be utilised to support the PoMO and the direct administration functions of the Portfolio. Any contribution from Government grants not utilised within the financial year will be transferred to a ring-fenced reserve at year end, for utilisation in future years.

A detailed breakdown of the Joint Committee final outturn position is included in Appendix A.

2.2. Joint Committee and Accountable Body

The Joint Committee and Accountable Body expenditure is £1,044k. This is in respect of democratic support, support of the portfolio monitoring officer, audit fees and legal fees in respect of the funding agreements. The Accountable Body expenditure is attributable to service provision by the Portfolio Section 151 Officer to the Swansea Bay City Deal and the annual external audit review by Audit Wales.

The accrued interest in residual cash balances is invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's approved Treasury Management Strategy. Any interest accrued on such cash balances is dispersed back to projects on an appropriate apportionment methodology (JC – 11 June 2020). The accounting management of this has been amended to clearly demonstrate the interest accrued and paid out. The accrued interest for 2022-23 was £871k.

2.3. Joint Scrutiny Committee

The Joint Scrutiny Committee expenditure consisting of democratic services and related costs, provided by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council was £21k.

2.4. Portfolio Management Office (PoMO)

For the period ended 31st March 2023 the expenditure was £547k. The PoMO staffing cost £486k which includes the 2022-23 pay adjustment. There is an underspend of £66k against the revised budget, this is due to all posts being budgeted at the top of grade, savings due to in year temporary staffing vacancies and a small recharge in respect of the Finance Manager for work outside the SBCD.

Rents and service charges in respect of office space total £22k, fees including consultancy and gateway reviews underspent by £18k and conferences, marketing and advertising underspent by £27k including the annual event. ICT costs were on budget at £11k which includes project management software purchased and associated training.

2.5. Projects/PoMO Unwinding

It is intended that the PMO fund surplus at the end of the project will be used towards the unwinding of the Projects/PoMO at the end of its five-year operational requirement.

2.6. Income

Total income for the year demonstrates £1,524k. This consists of partner contributions (£50k per partner) £400k, drawdown of 'Top Slice' of £253k from the dispersed grant awards and interest derived from cash balances of £871k.

2.7. Financial Monitoring - Statement of Balances

The prior year (2021/2) balance carried forward in reserve demonstrates £220k. The net cost of the City Deal accounts demonstrates a deficit of £67k, this is due to a timing

effect attached to the grant dispersed to projects/programmes within the year. This has resulted in a reserve of £158k being carried forward at the end.

3. Portfolio Investment Fund – Final Outturn Position

3.1 Portfolio Investment Final Outturn Position

The overall investment position is demonstrated at £1.256bn (Quarter 2 2022/23 - £1.248bn) over the fifteen-year life of the portfolio. The revised budget (Quarter 1 2022/23) comprised of a total investment of £1.245bn, currently the City Deal is presenting a small over investment against the revised budget of £11m.

A summary of the projects is outlined below:

1) While the Swansea Arena is complete and operational, the Kingsway Project is on site, the Innovation Matrix project has commenced on site and the Innovation Precinct is at design development stage.

2) Pentre Awel has commenced construction and is estimated to be completed during Autumn 2024.

3) Digital Infrastructure has completed its pause and review of connected places workstream and identified the most appropriate delivery routes for moving forward with capital spend.

4) The Supporting Innovation & low Carbon Growth project has now agreed a way forward with partners so that procurement can begin, with the closing of stage one PDF applications, and the HSP electrolyser equipment can commence.

5) The Skills and Talent project has appointed a new project officer, along with the completion of the assurance gateway review, which has resulted in three more pilot projects getting RSLP board approval.

6) The Swansea Campuses project is nearing sign off agreement between the City Council and the University, with a full design team in place for the Singleton site and ecology survey work progressing on the Morriston site.

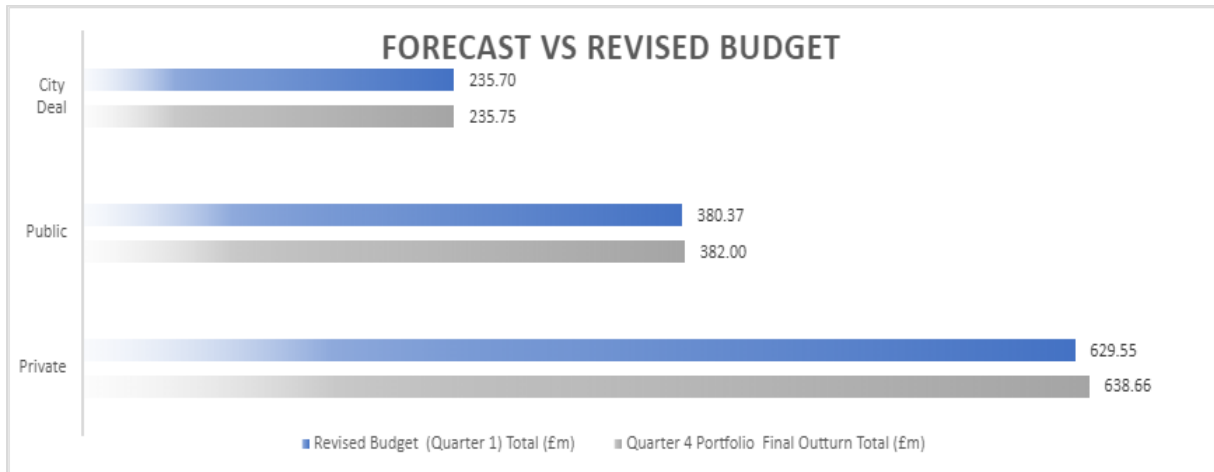
7) Pembroke Dock Marine continues on site largely as planned with the additional impetus of now having secured Celtic Free Port status for the port of Milford Haven and Associated British Port in Port Talbot.

8) The Homes as Power Stations was the one project to over achieve on its estimate with a substantial (£41m) regional Authorities public and £1.4m private investment with the building of 187 new homes and 6 retrofit houses.

9) There was no planned expenditure for Yr Egin in 2022/23, as phase 1 is complete and the University having completed a creative sector demand study has resulted in the University engaging with consultants to develop a Digital production facility for phase 2.

Prior Quarter Portfolio Forecasted Total (£m)	Investment Component	Revised Budget (Quarter 1) Total (£m)	Quarter 4 Portfolio Final Outturn Total (£m)	Variance (£m)	Variance
235.70	City Deal	235.70	235.75	0.05	0.02%
382.83	Public	380.37	382.00	1.63	0.43%
629.16	Private	629.55	638.66	9.11	1.45%
1,247.69	Grand Total	1,245.61	1,256.41	10.80	0.87%

Prior Quarter Programme/Project Forecast Total (£m)	Programme/Projects	Q4 Final Outturn position				Revised Budget (Quarter 1) Total (£m)	Variance (£m)	Variance (%)
		City Deal Investment (£m)	Public Sector Investment (£m)	Private Sector Investment (£m)	Programme/Project Total (£m)			
55.00	Digital Infrastructure	24.48	13.50	31.10	69.08	55.00	14.08	25.60%
505.50	Homes as Power Stations	15.00	114.60	375.90	505.50	505.50	-	0.00%
135.59	LS&WB Campuses	15.00	58.52	57.43	130.95	134.95	4.00	-2.96%
60.47	Pembroke Dock Marine	28.00	18.38	17.48	63.86	60.53	3.33	5.50%
206.18	Pentre Awel	40.00	52.23	108.23	200.46	200.48	-	-0.01%
29.55	Skills & Talent	10.00	16.00	4.46	30.46	30.00	0.46	1.53%
59.08	Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth	48.27	5.82	5.50	59.59	58.70	0.89	1.52%
171.15	Swansea Waterfront	50.00	84.47	36.88	171.35	175.28	3.93	-2.24%
25.17	Yr Egin	5.00	18.48	1.68	25.16	25.17	-	-0.04%
1,247.69	Grand Total	235.75	382.00	638.66	1,256.41	1,245.61	10.80	0.87%



3.2 Annual Investment 2022/23

The investment for the financial year ended 31st March 2023 is demonstrated at £82.98m. The annual investment is currently demonstrating an annual under-investment of £79.8m.

The economic climate in which the projects operate continues to present delivery challenges. Several macro-economic factors, including the availability of resources and recruitment, energy and construction cost pressures as well as COVID pandemic have resulted in delivery slippage over the last three years.

However, all projects and programmes are progressing through delivery and all partners are fully committed to delivery of their SBDC initiatives.

It is anticipated that as all of the projects that have demonstrated slippage in 2022/23 are now on site with ongoing construction, significant project financial and operational catch up will be delivered in 2023/24.

Portfolio Summary							
Prior Quarter Forecast Total	Description	Revised Budget	Quarter 4 Final Outturn Position				Variance
			Actuals (to Date)	Commitments	Forecast Commitments	Total Annual Forecast	
(£)		(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)
	City Deal Investment						
36,577,394	Capital	73,530,516	22,348,971	-	0	22,348,971	- 51,181,545
1,949,396	Revenue Expenditure (where capital receipts directive applied)	2,839,896	1,180,726	-	-	1,180,726	- 1,659,169
38,526,789	City Deal Total	76,370,412	23,529,697	-	0	23,529,698	- 52,840,714
	Public Sector Investment						
24,495,328	Capital	32,206,441	50,528,649	-	-	50,528,649	18,322,208
2,751,798	Revenue	5,701,315	1,542,079	-	-	1,542,079	- 4,159,235
27,247,126	Public Sector Total	37,907,755	52,070,728	-	-	52,070,728	14,162,973
	Private Sector Investment						
12,660,110	Capital	47,198,157	6,920,605	-	-	6,920,605	- 40,277,552
856,650	Revenue	1,295,727	457,575	-	-	457,575	- 838,152
13,516,760	Private Sector Total	48,493,884	7,378,180	-	-	7,378,180	- 41,115,705
	Project Total						
73,732,832	Capital	152,935,114	79,798,225	-	0	79,798,225	- 73,136,889
5,557,844	Revenue	9,836,937	3,180,380	-	-	3,180,380	- 6,656,557
79,290,676	Project Total	162,772,051	82,978,605	-	0	82,978,606	- 79,793,445

Annual Programme Investment Breakdown 2022/23 (Estimated)							
Prior Quarter Forecast Total	Description	Revised Budget	Quarter 4 Final Outturn Position				Variance
			Actuals (to Date)	Commitments	Forecast Commitments	Total Annual Forecast	
(£)		(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)
9,666,984	Digital Infrastructure	17,602,392	387,554	-	-	387,554	- 17,214,838
162,000	Homes as Power Stations	5,167,800	43,468,843	-	-	43,468,843	38,301,043
7,451,536	LS&WB Campuses	5,577,312	232,606	-	-	232,606	- 5,344,706
30,659,565	Pembroke Dock Marine	29,892,839	22,969,512	-	-	22,969,512	- 6,923,327
10,520,107	Pentre Awel	58,067,866	5,325,550	-	-	5,325,550	- 52,742,316
375,645	Skills & Talent	5,366,667	232,813	-	-	232,813	- 5,133,854
4,545,702	Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth	8,051,343	460,955	-	-	460,955	- 7,590,388
15,909,137	Swansea Waterfront*	33,045,833	9,900,772	-	0	9,900,772	- 23,145,061
-	Yr Egin	-	-	-	-	-	-
79,290,676	Total	162,772,051	82,978,605	-	0	82,978,606	- 79,793,445

3.3 Capital and Revenue Apportionment

There is currently an estimated revenue requirement of £61.4m (5%) to deliver the city deal projects. This will be supported through the use of the Local Authorities flexible capital receipts directive, and alternative public and private sector commitment. The revenue requirement demonstrates a small change compared with the prior period (Quarter 3 2022/23 - £62m), this is as a result of some small fluctuation across several projects.

Capital/Revenue Summary (Estimated)

Investment Component	Capital Forecast (£m)	Revenue Forecast (£m)	Total Forecast (£m)	Revenue Proportion
City Deal	216.96	18.79	235.75	7.97%
Public	353.27	28.73	382.00	7.52%
Private	624.80	13.86	638.66	2.17%
Grand Total	1,195.03	61.38	1,256.41	4.89%

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The Joint Committee year end out-turn position (as at 31st March 2023) indicates a deficit of £66.8k, which will be supported by the Swansea Bay City Deal ring-fenced reserve at the year end. Expenditure is £1,590k, which is offset by income through partner contributions of £400k and the 'Top Slice' of dispersed Government grants of £253k and interest income of £870k.
- 4.2 The business cases of all nine SBCD Portfolio programmes and projects have now been formally approved, a revised budget was compiled in quarter one for the portfolio demonstrating £1.245.6billion. The portfolio investment position (as at 31st March 2023) demonstrates over investment against the revised budget of £10.8m. Currently the portfolio is presenting a total investment over the fifteen-year life span of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal of £1.256billion. This is subject to fluctuation over the life span of the project and will be monitored quarterly through financial templates and through the Portfolio risk register.


5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A – Final Outturn Position.

		Joint Committee - Final Outturn Position Financial Year 2022/23 <i>as at June 2023</i>		
Description	Actuals 2021/22 (£)	Agreed Budget 2022/23 (£)	Actuals 2022/23 (£)	Variance (£)
Joint Committee and Accountable Body				
Room Hire	-	1,910	-	1,910
Subsistence & Meeting Expenses	-	3,496	-	3,496
Travel	-	-	-	0
Democratic Services - CCS	27,483	26,605	26,605	0
Monitoring Officer & Legal Services	35,659	36,640	36,640	0
External Legal Advisory Fees	-	25,000	-	25,000
Internal Audit Support	18,924	21,115	21,115	-
Staff Recruitment Expenses	-	-	-	-
External Audit Fees	14,971	25,000	11,330	13,671
Section 151 Officer	55,329	56,435	56,436	1.00
Interest paid out to projects	39,575	-	870,633	(870,633)
Joint Committee and Accountable Body Total	191,942	196,201	1,022,759	(826,558)
Joint Scrutiny Committee				
Subsistence & Meeting Expenses	-	7,012	-	7,012
Travel	-	1,248	-	1,248
Democratic Services - NPT	21,332	21,226	21,115	111
Joint Scrutiny Committee Total	21,332	29,487	21,115	8,372
Portfolio Management Office				
Recharges - Employee Costs (direct)	461,842	552,056	486,398	65,658
Staff Recruitment Expenses	-	-	-	0
Training of Staff	1,220	26,530	-	26,530
Response Maintenance	-	-	-	0
Rents (The Beacon)	14,889	16,270	14,889	1,381
Rates (The Beacon)	6,688	7,184	6,688	497
Public Transport - Staff	-	2,081	-	2,081
Staff Travelling Expenses	76	16,646	769	15,877
Admin, Office & Operational Consumables	-	2,601	-	2,601
Furniture	-	1,000	-	1,000
Fees (including Gateway Reviews)	29,557	26,010	7,947	18,063
ICT Computer Hardware & Software	43	2,500	10,927	(8,427)
Subsistence & Meetings Expenses	10	8,323	68	8,255
Conferences, Marketing & Advertising	17,151	78,030	11,712	66,319
Projects & Activities Expenditure	-	14,566	-	14,566
Translation/Interpret Services	3,317	10,404	7,048	3,356
Printing & Copying	84	4,682	105	4,577
Photocopying Recharge	-	-	-	0
Central Recharge	-	-	-	0
Portfolio Management Office Total	534,876	768,883	546,550	222,333
Provision for Unwinding of PMO				
Redundancies	-	37,674	-	37,674
Provision for Unwinding Total	-	37,674	-	37,674
Total Expenditure	748,149	1,032,245	1,590,424	(558,179)
Funding Contributions				
Welsh Government - Revenue Grant	-	-	-	-
SBCD Grant Revenue Contribution	(314,119)	(723,000)	(252,978)	(470,022)
Partner Contributions	(400,000)	(400,000)	(400,000)	-
Interest Income	(39,575)	-	(870,633)	870,633
Total Income	(753,694)	(1,123,000)	(1,523,611)	400,611
Provision of Service - (Surplus) / Deficit	(5,545)	(90,755)	66,813	(157,568)
Movement to Reserves				
Description		2021/22 (£)	2022/23 (£)	
Balance Brought Forward from previous year - (Surplus) / Deficit		(214,816)	(220,361)	
Net Provision of Service - (Surplus) / Deficit		(5,545)	66,813	
Balance Carry Forward - (Surplus) / Deficit		(220,361)	(153,549)	

Agenda Item 13



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 27 July 2023

Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee Pre – Audit Joint Committee Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23

Purpose:	To provide Joint Committee with the Joint Committee Pre – Audit Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23 (Appendix A) for the Swansea Bay City Deal.
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal
Consultation:	Accountable Body
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee: 1) Approves the Pre-Audit Annual Statement of Accounts at Appendix A.
Report Author:	Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
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Legal Officer:	Debbie Smith Deputy Chief Legal Officer, SBCD

1. Introduction

1.1 Carmarthenshire County Council as the Accountable Body is responsible for the financial stewardship of the Swansea Bay City Deal. This is the third year the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee has had to compile a Statement of Accounts in line with the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014, as amended in 2018. This Pre-Audit Statement of Accounts will be audited by Audit Wales in line with the detailed Audit Plan and any amendments will be noted in the ISA 260. The Pre-Audit Statement of Accounts 2022/23 is attached at Appendix A.

2. Statement of Accounts 2022/2023

2.1 The Statement of Accounts present full financial statements for the financial year 2022/23, as required by legislation. To the period which ended on 31st March 2023, the Joint Committee and Portfolio Management Office expenditure incurred totalled £1,591k, Income through partner contributions, top slice and interest earned totalling £1,524k. This resulted in a deficit of £67k with the

balance being transferred to the City Deal reserve, which now demonstrates £153.5k in total.

- 2.2 Further income received by the Joint Committee included the fifth instalment of Welsh and UK Government City Deal Grant totalling £23.1m. Grant of £24.4m was dispersed to projects during the year. Accrued interest is dispersed to projects on an annual basis apportioned on the basis of the City Deal grant award. This was approved at Joint Committee on July 10, 2020. Debtor and creditor amounts represent contributions outstanding from partners and funders, and the amount owing to Carmarthenshire County Council as the Accountable Body.

3. Financial Implications

- 3.1 The total annual expenditure of the Joint Committee was £1,044k. The total expenditure for the Portfolio Management Office was £547k. Income through partner contributions £400k, top slice of £253k and interest earned of £871k. This resulted in a deficit position of £67k. The current reserves reside at £153.5k for the Joint Committee, and £51.2m for the portfolio investment fund.
- 3.2 City Deal grant totalling £23.1m and generated interest of £871k was accounted for within the year. Payments totalling £24.4m have been disseminated from the Accountable body.
- 3.3 The estimated portfolio forecasted investment position (as at 31st March 2023) demonstrates an underinvestment of £10.8m. Currently the portfolio is presenting a total investment over the fifteen-year life span of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal of £1.256.4bn. This is subject to fluctuation over the life span of the project and will be monitored quarterly through financial templates and through the Portfolio risk register. The remaining business cases were approved within the year and the portfolio is now in full delivery.

4. Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no further legal implications associated with this report.

5. Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

- 5.1 The Swansea Bay City Deal programme and its constituent projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual project business cases.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Appendix A – Joint Committee Pre-Audit Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23 for the Swansea Bay City Deal.



Joint Committee Pre-Audit Annual Statement of Accounts 2022/23



The Swansea Bay City Deal is an alliance of four Regional Local Authorities, supported by four co-opt regional partners governed by a legally constituted Joint Committee.

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Swansea Bay City Deal

The Swansea Bay City Deal is a £1.2billion investment in 9 major projects across the Swansea Bay City Region – which is made up of Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea.

The City Deal is being funded, subject to the approval of project business cases, by the UK Government, the Welsh Government, the public sector and the private sector.

Over the next 10 years, the City Deal will boost the regional economy by £1.8 billion and generate over 9,000 new, high-quality jobs.

City Deal projects are based on key themes of Economic Acceleration, Life Science and Well-being, Energy, and Smart Manufacturing. Each project will be supported by world class digital infrastructure and a Skills and Talent initiative that will give local people a pathway to access the jobs that will be created.

The Swansea Bay City Deal is being led by the four regional local authorities – Carmarthenshire County Council, City and County of Swansea Council, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council and Pembrokeshire County Council - together with the Abertawe Bro Morgannwg and Hywel Dda University Health Boards, Swansea University, the University of Wales Trinity Saint David. The UK and Welsh Governments are funding bodies supporting the City Deal Grant.

Chair's Statement

"It is my pleasure to introduce the Swansea Bay City Deal financial statement for 2022/2023. This year has seen further significant progress throughout the delivery of the portfolio, ongoing growth and investment across our region, continued economic recovery and the achievement of further key milestones.

We have continued to build success through our collaborative working, with the four local authorities, two health boards and two universities, and regional businesses supporting each other for our economy to grow, and we have seen further transformation across South-West Wales with many projects excelling in delivery.

Over the last 12 months the City Deal has also proven to be a catalyst for further investment by placing our region on the map, demonstrating that we are delivering our ambitions and seeing aligned and complementary initiatives coming to fruition. These include several Levelling Up Funding bids, the successful Celtic Freeport bid, securing commitment from Skyline, the Blue Eden project and the Global Centre of Rail Excellence in Wales.

I look forward to another exciting 12 months for the SBCD and feel privileged to be part of the fantastic journey that is shaping our region for the better."



*Councillor **Rob Stewart***

Chair of Swansea Bay City Region Deal Joint Committee

Leader of City and County of Swansea Council

Narrative Report

The Swansea Bay City Region is an important driver for the Welsh and UK economy. An area with a significant coastal footprint, with rural idyllic landscape, complimented with diverse urban centres, the region offers opportunities far and wide reaching.

The Portfolio offers regional partners new ways of working and resource to unlock significant potential, to stimulate economic growth and increase added value in the region.

Taking a regional collaborative approach enables the Authorities to plan and deliver services more effectively, through strategic land use planning, strategic transport and economic development.

The City Deal is expected to boost the region estimating;

- Funding and investment of £1.2 billion for interventions to stimulate economic growth.
- Pan-region investment, ensuring all localities and citizens can benefit.
- Over 9,000 additional gross direct jobs.
- A contribution to regional Gross Value Added of over £1.8 billion.

The aim of the Swansea Bay City Deal is to create an outward-looking City Region with the innovation, capacity and infrastructure to inform and advance solutions to major regional challenges.

Within the United Kingdom City Deals have been adopted by Governments to give local areas specific powers and freedoms to help regions in supporting economic growth, job creation and to stimulate investment in local projects.

During March 2017 the then Prime Minister Theresa May visited the City of Swansea to meet with region Council Leaders to formally sign-off the Swansea Bay City Region Deal, bringing the current portfolio into fruition.

The award of City Deal funding was based on local demand-led elements labelled under four key themes, each adopted to provide the region with value added growth and economic stimulation. The portfolio comprises of nine projects each designed around four key themes of Internet of Economic Acceleration, Life Science and Well-being, Energy, and Smart Manufacturing.

On establishment of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal, a shadow Joint Committee was formed consisting of all four regional participating Authorities, with support from four co-opt portfolio partners (Swansea University, University of Wales Trinity St David, Swansea Bay Local Health Board and Hywel Dda Local Health Board) to oversee delivery of all eleven projects within the established portfolio.

On approval by all four participating Authorities the Joint Committee was formalised by the investiture of the Joint Committee Agreement (JCA) on 29th August 2018. The JCA constitutes governance arrangements, embedding a structured framework of control through outlining accountability and responsibility, thus allowing Authorities to discharge their functions appropriately to successfully deliver projects under the City Deal Portfolio.

OUR VISION

Based on the Swansea Bay City Region Economic Regeneration Strategy 2013-2030, the Swansea Bay City Deal sets out an integrated, transformational approach to delivering the scale and nature of investment needed to support plans for growth in the Region.

The strategic vision is to create a super smart innovation region which will inform and advance solutions to some of the most pressing challenges of modern times in the areas of economic acceleration, smart manufacturing, energy, life sciences and well-being.

The City Deal provides a once in a generation opportunity to further consolidate the region's role in technological innovation through the creation of interconnected testbeds and living laboratories, designed not only for proof of concept but also for proof of business.

Using the transformational powers of next generation digital technologies, and supported by a portfolio of tailored skills development, the City Deal will accelerate the region's innovation, technological and commercialisation capabilities to support the establishment and growth of local innovation businesses, while also acting as a catalyst to attract further inward investment.

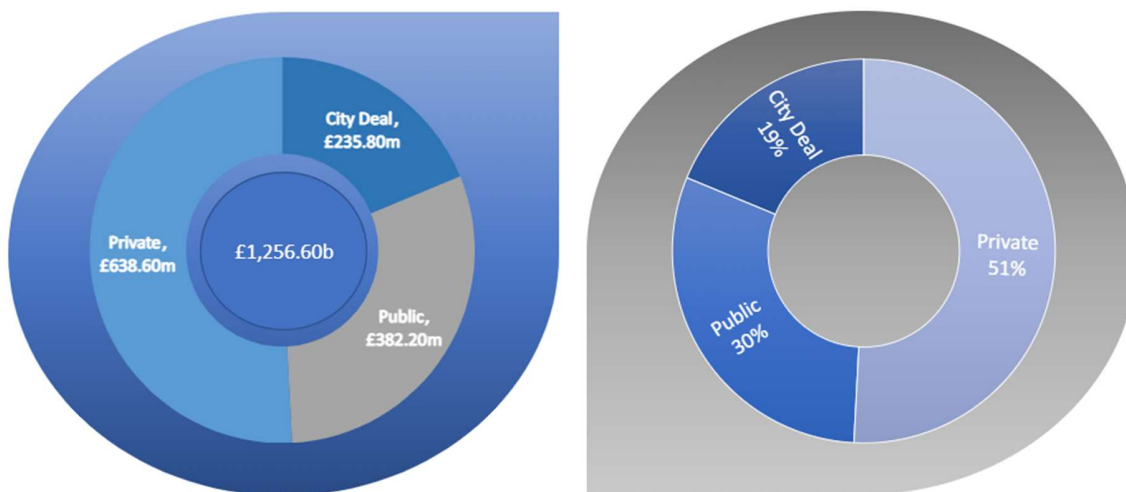
Swansea Bay City Region Deal Investment

The City Deal program is fabricated through three forms of funding components, constituting in £1.2 billion of investment within the South Wales region.

The total investment package is made up of £235.80 million (19%) UK and Welsh Government funding, £382.2 million (30%) other public sector investment, and £638.6 million (51%) from the private sector. This totalling £1,256.6 billion.

The Heads of Terms set out the commitment by both Welsh and Central Government to support the City Deal with an investment totalling £236 million. The balance of this investment in being considered by the Joint Committee.

Funding Apportionment



Swansea Bay City Region Deal Grant Funding Profile

It is the aim of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal that all projects will be delivered by 2028/29 in order to maximise the full benefits realisation of the operational schemes during the lifetime of City Deal funding, which is to be released in the form of a capital grant to the Region from both the UK and the Welsh Governments over a 15-year period. On 2nd March 2021 the UK Government announced that it would be cutting its grant payment profile term from fifteen to ten years, front loading its financial commitment to 2027/28.

The Portfolio will disperse funding to the regional Project Authority Leads to support the projects on which the grant was awarded. Funding will only be released by the Accountable Body on behalf of the Joint Committee on the successful approval of business cases by both UK and Welsh Government.

With the funding being released to the portfolio over a fifteen-year period an inherent temporary funding gap is recognised. Each Lead Authority is responsible for managing the cashflows in respect of the projects in which they hold responsibility for delivery, and subsequently are accountable for managing inherent risks and the funding gaps recognised. Each Authority shall be responsible for borrowing to provide funding or securing funding for projects in its own area.

Swansea Bay City Region Deal Investment Breakdown

The Swansea Bay City Region Deal partnership, through the 'Internet Coast' publication and subsequent discussions with the Welsh and UK Governments, has developed a clear strategy which has been underpinned with identified interventions to deliver widespread and sustainable economic growth across the region. These interventions, subject to the submission and approval of detailed business cases for the now nine identified projects by the Welsh and UK governments, and the agreement of necessary governance arrangement and delivery models.

The overall estimated investment position is demonstrated at £1.256.4 billion over the fifteen-year life of the portfolio. The revised budget comprised of a total investment of £1.245.6 billion. Currently the City Deal is presenting overinvestment against the revised budget of £10.8m. Details of significant variances are outlined below:

Swansea Arena is currently demonstrating an underinvestment of £4 million against budget due to the reappropriation of costs across the whole Copr Bay site. Work on final costs is being undertaken and will be reported on in Quarter4 in line with the amended programme being agreed with the contractor.

The Innovation matrix is currently demonstrating an over investment of £2m, which will be reviewed during quarter 4. A business case revision is currently being undertaken with a review of financials included.

Pentre Awel has commenced construction and is demonstrating £6m over investment against budget. Work is estimated to be completed during August 2024.

Portfolio Investment Breakdown

Prior Quarter Portfolio Forecasted Total (£m)	Investment Component	Revised Budget (Quarter 1) Total (£m)	Quarter 4 Portfolio Forecasted Total (£m)	Variance (£m)	Variance
235.70	City Deal	235.70	235.75	0.05	0.02%
382.83	Public	380.37	382.00	1.63	0.43%
629.16	Private	629.55	638.66	9.11	1.45%
1,247.69	Grand Total	1,245.61	1,256.41	10.80	0.87%

Funding elements are subject to change as the portfolio evolves and matures. On the successful approval of business cases the Accountable Body will release Government grant funding to projects up to the maximum of the agreed allocated value. Grant values are subject to change, however this will be supported by a full business case and approval by the Joint Committee and both UK and Welsh Governments, as outlined within the Joint Committee Agreement.

Organisational Overview and External Environment

The Joint Committee is composed of the four Regional Local Authority Leaders, supported by the four Authority Chief Executive Officers and four non-voting co-opt partners. Internal Audit and External Audit (Audit Wales) report independently to the Joint Committee. Chaired by Councillor Rob Stewart, Leader of the City and County of Swansea Council, the Joint Committee whilst not itself a legal entity, rather a joint arrangement under a joint committee agreement, holds responsibility and accountability for the delivery of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal Portfolio.

To oversee delivery of the portfolio, the Joint Committee is supported by an Economic Strategy Board (ESB) (comprising of private sector advisers), Portfolio Board (comprising of the four regional authority Chief Executive Officers and co-opt partners), and an oversight board in the form of a Joint Scrutiny Committee. The Joint Committee has ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken in relation to the Swansea Bay City Region Deal. The role of the Portfolio Board is to ensure that all schemes are developed in accordance with the agreed process, analysing the financial viability, deliverability and risk of each City Deal project proposal. This detailed analysis will then be reported to the ESB and Joint Committee.

To ensure successful delivery the portfolio has embedded core administration functions conforming to statutory and regulatory requirements, with a constructive governance framework entrenching transparency, integrity, objectivity, accountability and responsibility.

The financial structure of the portfolio has been split in to two distinct delivery areas the Joint Committee including administration and statutory functions, and the Portfolio Investment Fund.

Joint Committee

The Joint Committee has ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken and the delivery of the City Deal Portfolio. There is recognition by both the UK and Welsh Governments of a requirement for revenue funding to support the Joint Committee's activities, including the administration and statutory functions. This was also acknowledged by all partners and subsequently an agreement was concluded to support these central functions with an amalgamation of funding consisting of partner contributions (£50k per partner) and applying a top slice to Government grants of 1.5%.

Portfolio Investment Fund

The Portfolio Investment Fund is overseen and upheld by the Accountable Body who administer the receipt and distribution of City Deal grant on behalf of the Joint Committee. The Accountable Body is accountable to the Joint Committee and manages the City Deal grant and investment pool in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's approved Treasury Management Strategy.

The Joint Committee distributes Government grants on a programme/project basis to Project Lead Authorities. An annual grant award is received from Welsh Government on behalf of both Governments and then distributed on actual expenditure in arrears ensuring clear financial governance is pursued. The total investment package is an anticipated £1.2 billion, with grant totalling £236m relating to the Portfolio Investment Fund (UK and Welsh Governments). Any portfolio cash balances are invested to ensure effective optimisation of resources until approval is confirmed to initiate the release of funds from the Portfolio. Joint Committee have formally agreed it will afford Lead Authorities to borrow from any such balances that reside in the portfolio, this is done at a set rate on a 12-month term, as cashflow determines.

Government Grant 'Top Slice'

The Joint Committee has approved the 'Top Slice' of Government grants on an annual basis up to a value of 1.5%. This allocation will be earmarked to finance the Joint Committee, central administration and statutory functions required to support the delivery of the Portfolio.

Retention of National Non-Domestic Rates

Welsh Government have agreed in principle (as per below) that 50% of the additional net yield generated through City Deal developments can be retained by the region to support revenue costs associated with the portfolio. This has been acknowledged by the Lead Authorities within the Joint Committee Agreement (JCA - 29th April 2018).

Welsh Government (Cabinet Secretary for Finance, 11th April 2018)

'I intend to initiate arrangements to allow the region to retain 50% of the additional net yield in Non-Domestic rates generated by the 9 projects which are to be delivered by the Deal'

The Joint Committee formally agreed (JC-10th February 2022) the distribution basis of the allocated retention. Officers are working with Welsh Government to establish a robust process for the drawdown of the retention of rates.

Gateway Reviews

The Welsh Government Assurance Process (consistent with the OGC Gateway) is the responsibility of the Integrated Assurance Hub (IAH) and authorised to deliver assurance under accredited license from the Infrastructure and Projects Authority (IPA), which is part of the UK's Cabinet Office. This process is designed to provide independent guidance to Senior Responsible Owners (SROs), portfolio and project teams and to the departments who commission their work, on how best to ensure that their portfolios and projects are successful.

As part of the assurance arrangements for the SBCD Portfolio, an independent Gateway 0 Review was undertaken in July 2021.

The Review was undertaken by an independent, external team in accordance with the Welsh Government Integrated Assurance Hub Guidelines. Seventeen 'conversations' were held with stakeholders between 19th -21st July together with a workshop session with the four local authority Leaders.

The SBCD Portfolio received an Amber-Green Delivery Confidence Assessment (DCA) rating.

The next Review is due in July 2023.

Current Economic Climate

Partners and Governments are fully committed to the City Deal recognising it as an important driver in the economic recovery of the region and country. Despite the unprecedented national and global challenges, the City Deal's continued progress should reassure regional businesses and residents that partners remain focused on delivering the City Deal as soon as possible. The remaining programme/project business cases were approved during the year, with the portfolio now in full delivery.

The Joint Committee has conducted an assessment of the risks and issues affecting the delivery of the portfolio and will address and manage the matters identified that could significantly impact the delivery or scope of the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio. The Joint Committee will continue to monitor these impacts, risks, and issues.

The financial statements are required to reflect the conditions applying at the end of the financial year.

The City Deal's financial standing has been maintained at a prudent level, with internal audit presenting an assurance rating of 'Substantial' (Green Rating) once again. There continue to be no or few weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, and they would either be unlikely to occur or their impact is not likely to affect the achievement of the SBCD objectives.

There are unprecedented significant inflationary and construction cost increases that are impacting the projects. During the year an assessment of increasing construction costs and mitigating actions that are being taken to address them was presented to the Joint Committee. A construction impact assessment summary report is also presented at each Committee meeting.

The impact of interest rate increases during the year has had a positive effect on the finances of the City Deal. Cash balances have been high so substantial additional interest has been redistributed to the projects.

Operational Model

Business Case Model

The need to get the best possible value from spending public money will always remain a constant for the Joint Committee and its partners. To this end, all City Deal business cases must be developed using the HM Treasury and Welsh Government's Five Case Model - an approach which is both scalable and proportionate. It is recognised as best practice and is the Treasury's standard methodology.

The business case, both as a product and a process, provides decision-makers, stakeholders and the public with a management tool for evidence-based, transparent decision-making and a framework for the delivery, management and performance monitoring of the resultant scheme.

Each business case in support of a SBCD project must evidence:

- Strategic Case - the intervention is supported by a compelling case for change that provides a holistic fit with other parts of the organisation and public sector
- Economic Case - the intervention represents best public value (to the UK as a whole)
- Commercial Case - the proposed project is attractive to the marketplace, can be procured and is commercially viable
- Financial Case - the proposed spend is affordable
- Management Case - what is required from all parties is achievable

As set out in the Joint Committee Agreement, the Project Business Case shall include a Resolution of the Project Authority Lead and all Councils in whose area the project shall take place will approve the submission of the Project Business case.

The Portfolio Management Office has day to day responsibility for managing the assessment process for projects.

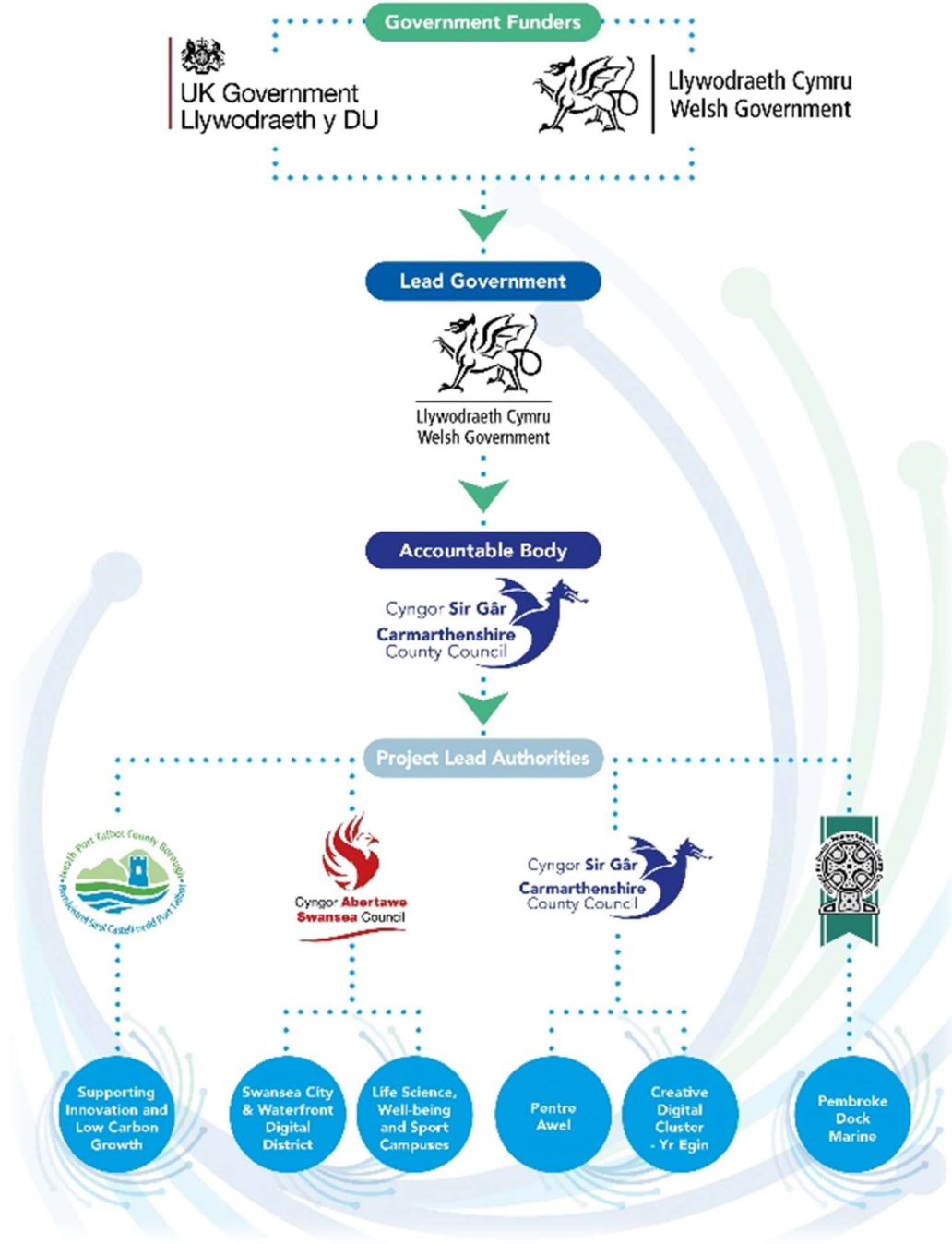
To assist a speedier assessment process, the UK Government and Welsh Government have agreed an informal iterative review process for assessing draft versions of business cases in order to assist Project Leads in the production of complete full business cases which are appropriate for 5 case formal review process.

On completion of the final draft business case and following approval from the respective Regional/Project Authority Lead(s), full business cases for each of the City Deal projects will undergo assessment by the Portfolio Management Office before being considered by the respective City Deal governance structures. After approval by the Joint Committee the project business case will be forwarded to the UK Government and Welsh Government for approval to release City Deal Government project funding to the Accountable Body.

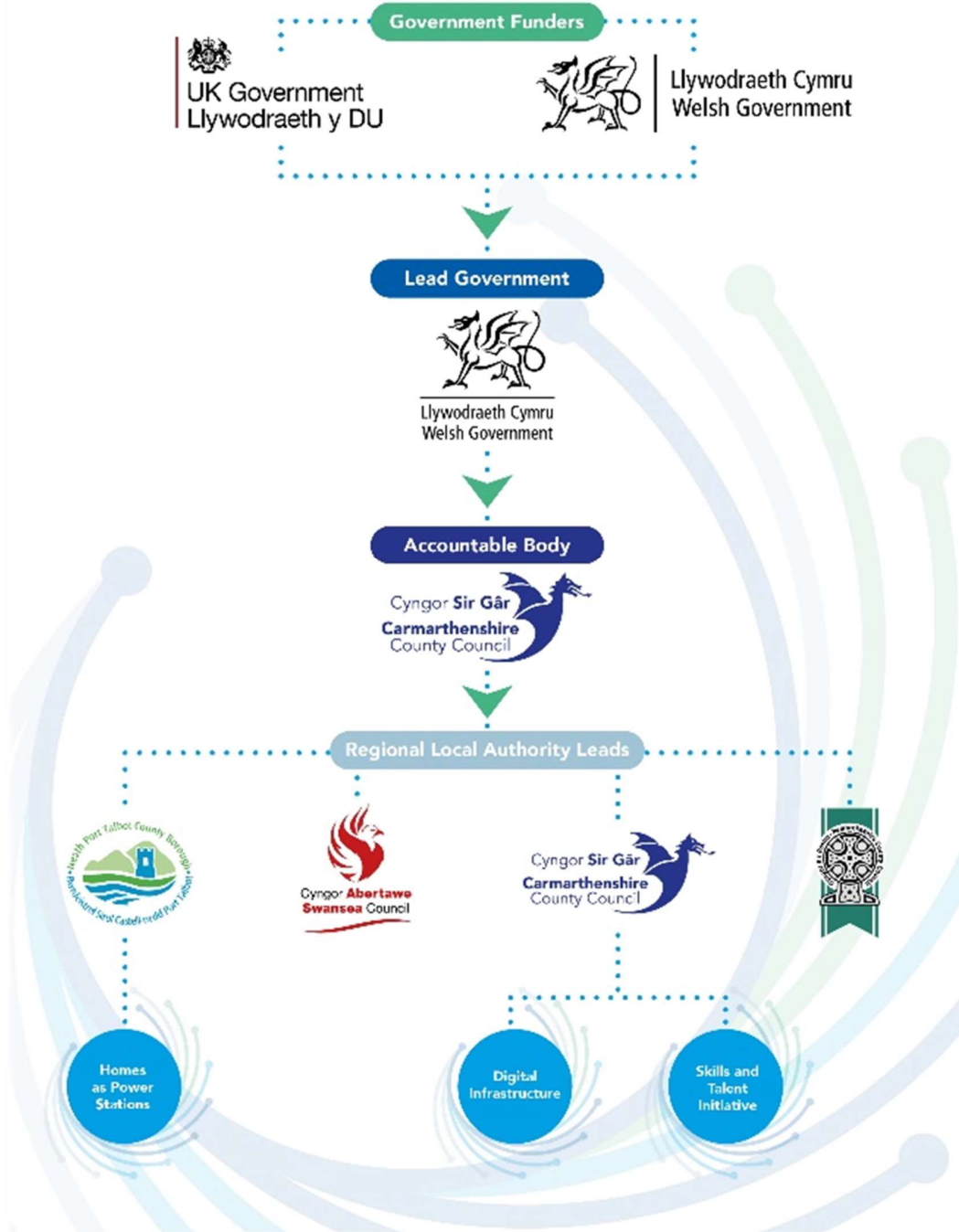
City Deal Flow of Finances

The release of funds from the Accountable Body will follow one of two funding routes. This is determined on a Programme/project basis depending on whether funding is being released to a regional project or a Local Authority lead project. The flow of funding is demonstrated below:

Local Delivery Funding Flow



Regional Delivery Funding Flow



Summary of Financial Performance

Joint Committee Annual Year-End Outturn Position 2022/23

The year-end outturn position compared with the predetermined set annual budget is demonstrated below for both the Joint Committee and Portfolio Investment Fund (PIF). An extract of the Joint Committee's reserve is also summarised.

Joint Committee Budget and Out-Turn Position 2022/23

<u>Actual 2021/22</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Budget 2022/23</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Actual 2022/23</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Variance 2022/23</u> <u>(£)</u>
	<u>Gross Expenditure</u>			
82,067	Joint Committee	114,766	84,360	30,406
88,045	Accountable Body	81,435	938,399	(856,964)
21,332	Joint Scrutny Committee	29,487	21,115	8,372
556,705	Portfolio Management Office	806,557	546,550	260,007
-	City Deal Assurance Grant	-	-	-
748,149	Total Expenditure	1,032,245	1,590,424	(558,179)
	<u>Income</u>			
(400,000)	Partner Contributions	(400,000)	(400,000)	-
(314,119)	Top Slice' of Government Grants	(723,000)	(252,978)	(470,022)
(39,575)	Investment Income	-	(870,633)	870,633
0	WG Government Revenue Grants	-	-	-
(753,694)	Total Income	(1,123,000)	(1,523,611)	400,611
(5,545)	Net Annual Total - (Surplus)/Deficit	(90,755)	66,813	(157,568)

Portfolio Investment Fund Out-Turn Position 2022/23

<u>Actual 2021/22</u>		<u>Budget 2022/23</u>	<u>Actual 2022/23</u>	<u>Variance 2022/23</u>
(£)	Description	(£)	(£)	(£)
	<u>Gross Expenditure</u>			
13,538,281	Project Lead Authorities	23,086,000	24,406,436	1,320,436
13,538,281	Total Expenditure	23,086,000	24,406,436	
	<u>Income</u>			
(23,086,000)	Government Grant Income	(23,086,000)	(23,086,000)	-
(23,086,000)	Total Income	(23,086,000)	(23,086,000)	-
(9,547,719)	Net Annual Total - (Surplus)/Deficit	-	1,320,436	1,320,436

Summary of Reserves (Extract from Balance Sheet) 2022/23

<u>31st March 2022</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u>
(£)		(£)
220,361	Usable Reserves - Revenue	153,548
52,344,399	Capital Grants Unapplied	51,023,963
	- Unusable Reserves	-
52,564,760	Total Reserves	51,177,511

Supporting Information

Operational Summary

The operation costs demonstrate a deficit of £67k which will be funded from the ring-fenced reserve.

Salary and Pension Liabilities

The Joint Committee is not itself a separate legal entity and as such cannot enter into contracts for the provision of goods and services. Officers directly employed to support the Joint Committee are contractually employed through Carmarthenshire County Council. It is the responsibility of the employing Authority to remunerate officers and commit to current and future pension liabilities that may arise from these arrangements. Eight staff members continued to support the activities of the portfolio during the year.

The Joint Committee reimburse all costs in respect of salary and on-costs, including all employer related pension costs and account for this within its Income and Expenditure account. No liability is recognised within the statements of the Joint Committee in respect of future pension liabilities.

Investment Activities

Portfolio balances are invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's approved Treasury Management Strategy. Interest is calculated on an average rate and ring fenced to the City Deal portfolio. Throughout the year balances have been invested through approved institutions in short-term financial instruments in adherence to the protocols set out within the applied Treasury Management Strategy.

On the 11th June 2020, the Joint Committee approved the distribution of income generated from investments back to programmed/projects based on an allocation outlined within the original SBCD Heads of Terms. The £871k interest earned on balances during 2022/23 has been distributed to the 4 Authorities.

General Reserves

Usable Reserves

A General Fund Usable Reserve has been established due to income through partner contributions, interest on investments and 'Top slice of Government Grants' exceeding actual spend to date. The reserve currently resides at £153.5k and will support operations in future years.

Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve

The Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve comprises of portfolio balances created through the receipt of City Deal Government grant exceeding funding released to Project Authority Leads. Funding is only released to Project Authority Leads based on spend in arrears and upon approval of business cases and engagement in funding agreements. Payments and commitments to projects with a total of £24m were transacted during the year.

The SBCD received the grant award offer letter for financial year 2022/23 totalling £23.09 million on the 30th March 2023, with subsequent acceptance and grant receipt during April 2023.

Annual Review

“The dedicated and hard work of our Swansea Bay City Region partners is starting to pay off. 2022-23 has been highly successful as we continue to strive forward to create jobs, realise aspirations and transform our region into the perfect place to work and live. We have seen a series of planning applications awarded, commencement of groundworks on key sites across the region, tenders being developed, and contractors appointed to flagship initiatives, contracts being awarded to the local supply chain, and partnering between industry and training providers to offer opportunities for young people gain valuable skills that equip them to become our future workforce.

Swansea Arena has been open for a full year, welcoming over 240,000 visitors and the Bay Technology Centre has also welcomed its first tenants. We have witnessed the ground breaking of Pentre Awel, The Innovation Matrix and elements at Pembroke Dock Marine project, as well as significant construction on the Kingsway in Swansea. The three regional projects are also progressing well and all of which are starting to have an impact on our region through Digital Infrastructure, Skills development and Homes as Power Stations.

We will continue to improve and push to realise our regional ambitions. Attracting further contractors for the design and build of infrastructure, partner with operators to manage the facilities, develop partnership and collaborations for R&D, innovation and skills development initiatives, work with businesses, tenants and partners to ensure we meet their immediate and growth needs and most importantly tell you all about the amazing opportunities we have to offer both within region and with broader investors and collaborators.

The SBCD Portfolio Office will continue to offer a professional service that supports regional partners and both Governments to deliver key benefits that make a real difference to people and businesses. In doing so, we will continue to follow robust governance and our monitoring and reporting ensure that everyone is kept up to date with the latest developments.

The Portfolio assurance process was undertaken in July 2022 and received a third consecutive Green/Amber status with the recent completion of all key recommendations. The 2022 Regional Audit also reflected positively on the governance and reporting arrangements of the SBCD with all recommendations also being successfully completed.

We are working hard to build on the success of the last 12 months and move forward with our commitment to improve the South West Wales economy, creating a prosperous future for generations to come.”



Dr Jonathan Burnes

Portfolio Director

Swansea Bay City Deal

Statement of Responsibilities

for the Statement of Accounts

The Joint Committee Responsibilities

The Joint Committee is required:

- To make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and to secure that one of its officers has the responsibility for the administration of these affairs. In this Authority, that officer is the Director of Corporate Services.
- To manage its affairs to secure economic, efficient and effective use of resources and safeguard its assets.
- To approve the Statement of Accounts.

Joint Committee Approval

Approval of Statement of Accounts post audit.

Signed:

Dated:

Councillor **Rob Stewart**

Chair of Swansea Bay City Region Deal Joint Committee

Leader of City and County of Swansea Council



Certificate of the Chief Finance Officer

The Director of Corporate Services Responsibilities

The Portfolio Section 151 Officer (Director of Corporate Services) is responsible for the preparation of the Joint Committee's Statement of Accounts, in accordance with proper accounting practices as set out in the CIPFA/LASAAC Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom (the Code) 2022/23.

In preparing this Statement of Accounts, the Director of Corporate Services has:

- Selected suitable accounting policies and then applied them consistently
- Made judgements and estimates that were reasonable and prudent;
- Complied with the Code;
- Kept proper and timely accounting records which were up to date;
- Taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities;

Certification of Accounts

I certify that the Statement of Accounts on pages 26 to 41 demonstrates a true and fair view of the financial position of Swansea Bay City Region Deal at 31st March 2023 and its income and expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Signed:

Dated:

Chris Moore FCCA

Director of Corporate Services

Swansea Bay City Region Deal Section 151 Officer

Carmarthenshire County Council



Audit Report

To follow Post Audit

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ccounting Policies

The Statement of Accounts summarises the transactions of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal for the 2022/23 financial year and its position at the year ended 31 March 2023.

Carmarthenshire County Council as the Accountable Body is required to prepare annual Statement of Accounts by the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 in accordance with proper accounting practices. These practices primarily comprise the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the United Kingdom 2022/23 and the Service Reporting Code of Practice 2022/23, supported by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

Property, Plant and Equipment

Assets that have physical substance and are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes and that are expected to be used during more than one financial year are classified as Property, Plant and Equipment.

Assets constructed or held as part of a project delivered within the portfolio will disclosed and held on the Balance Sheet within the Project Lead Authority responsible for the delivery of such project.

Assets constructed or held as part of a regional project within the portfolio will be proportioned accordingly or reside within the balance sheet of the Project Authority Lead in which constituency such asset resides.

The Joint Committee will hold no such physical asset as categorised above within its legal remit.

Related Party Disclosures

Related parties denote the possibility that the SBCD financial position and profit or loss may have been affected or influenced by the existence of related parties, inhibiting the SBCD Joint Committee to operate and conduct its duties independently.

A related party is a person or an entity that is related to the reporting entity:

- A person or a close member of that person's family is related to a reporting entity if that person has control, joint control, or significant influence over the entity or is a member of its key management personnel.
- An entity is related to a reporting entity if, among other circumstances, it is a parent, subsidiary, fellow subsidiary, associate, or joint venture of the reporting entity, or it is controlled, jointly controlled, or significantly influenced or managed by a person who is a related party.

Disclosure:

For the financial year 2022/23 all related party transactions are identified under the Notes to the Accounts, schedule 7: Related Party Disclosures.

Accruals Basis (Concept)

Financial Statements are prepared under the Accruals Concept of accounting which requires that income and expense must be recognised in the accounting periods to which they relate rather than on a cash basis. An exception to this general rule is the cash flow statement whose main purpose is to present the cash flow effects of transaction during an accounting period.

The Joint Committee applied the Accruals concept throughout the preparation of the Financial Statements and Accounts.

Under the Accruals basis of accounting, the Joint Committee recognized income in the accounting period in which it was earned. Income received was recognised within accounting period in which it arose, rather than in the subsequent period in which it will be received. Expenses, in contradiction, were recorded in the accounting period in which they incurred. Therefore, accrued expenditure was recognized in the accounting period in which it occurred, rather than period in which it was paid.

Revenue Income

It has been recognised by the Joint Committee and by both Governments that an element of revenue funding is required to support the central services employed to deliver the City Deal Portfolio. Revenue income to support the portfolio has been agreed as an amalgamation of partner contributions (£50k per partner) and “Top Slice” of Government grants (1.5%). Any surpluses are transferred to a ring-fenced reserve.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash Equivalents are investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with no change in value. Cash is withdrawn and deposited depending on a deficit or surplus of cash on the day. All call accounts are classified for this purpose. Cash Equivalents also includes fixed term investments that mature within three months or less from the date of acquisition.

The Joint Committee does not operate its own independent bank account, all cash related transactions are managed through Carmarthenshire County Council as the Accountable Body.

Carmarthenshire manage the Joint Committee’s cash balances and short-term Investments in line with their own approved Treasury Management Strategy.

The Treasury Management Strategy allows Carmarthenshire to successfully manage the Joint Committee’s funds independently from its own resources and ring-fence any reserves for future utilisation by the Committee. Arrangements consist of short-term investments through approved financial institutions to maximise the return on cash balances, whilst managing the cash requirement of approved projects within the portfolio.

Government Grants

The Government grant was awarded to fund expenditure incurred and future spend in the delivery of the approved projects within the portfolio. The terms and conditions of the grant award were not accepted by 31st March 2023, and as such, transactions in respect of the grant award have been included based on the below judgments and methodology in line with **The Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the UK, Section C: Government and Non-Government Grants**.

Government grants are recognised within the statements of the Portfolio when there is reasonable assurance that:

- the Portfolio (projects) will comply with the conditions attached to the payments, and
- the grants or contributions will be received.

Repayment of funding attached to the grant award will be initiated as a last resort on the occurrence of a notification event, and subsequent failed remedy (Welsh Government, Award of Funding - Terms and Conditions). As such, the Terms and Conditions are interpreted to be that of a **restrictive** nature, under **The Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the UK** (Restriction - Paragraph 2.3.2.14; a return of funding obligation does not arise until such time as it is expected that a condition based on the occurrence (or otherwise) of a specified future event will be breached).

The afore mentioned accounting principle has concluded in the below treatment of government grants;

The receipt of grant is included within the balance sheet as Cash and Cash Equivalent, with a Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve created.

Funding Agreements demonstrating the legal framework between the Accountable Body and Lead Authorities embedding the terms and conditions, obligations and target outputs attached to the funding, were approved by the Joint Committee.

Events After the Reporting Period

Events occurring between the end of the reporting period and the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue are required to be accounted for in accordance with International Accounting Standard 10.

No events have been recognised as occurring after the reporting period.

Reserves

All reserves are considered usable reserves as they are available for future use in the delivery of the portfolio. There are two forms of reserve held within the City Deal:

Usable Reserves

This reserve is created through partner contributions, interest and the “Top Slice of Government Grants” exceeding operational expenditure. A prior year reserve was carried forward and is included within the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve

Reserves are created through the value of capital grant received exceeding the allowable release of funding to Project Lead Authorities in line with project delivery. Relevant grant is released and matched with eligible expenditure, with any balance residing in this reserve. This reserve is held within the accounts of the Accountable Body but ring-fenced to the Swansea Bay City Region Deal.

Financial Instruments

It is recognised that throughout the lifecycle of the City Deal Portfolio, cash balances will arise through cashflow movements as and when projects become live and actual expenditure is incurred.

Portfolio balances are invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's Treasury Management Policy to optimise the return on cash surpluses. Interest is calculated on an average rate and ring fenced to the City Deal portfolio. Throughout the year balances have been invested through approved institutions in short-term financial instruments in adherence to the protocols set out within the applied Treasury Policy. Within the Treasury strategy, investments are only employed with Counterparties whose risk appetite is very low.

Carmarthenshire County Council conducts its treasury management activities in accordance with the Prudential Code of Practice first developed for public services in 2002 by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA). This Code was last revised in 2017. The Council also carries out its treasury management activities in accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice 2017.

Going Concern

The Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee Statement of Accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. There has been no indication that the Swansea Bay City Deal cannot operate in its current form or fail to deliver its objectives outlined within the original Heads of Terms. Five projects have currently been approved by both UK and Welsh Government and three grant awards have been receipted and in line with the agreed profile.

Value Added Tax

VAT payable has been excluded from expenditure with exception where it is not recoverable from HMRC. The VAT on income receivable has been omitted from the statements.

Provisions, Contingent Assets and Liabilities

Provisions

A provision is a liability of uncertain timing or amount. The liability may be a legal obligation or a constructive obligation. A constructive obligation arises from the entity's actions, through which it has indicated to others that it will accept certain responsibilities, and as a result has created an expectation that it will discharge those responsibilities.

The Joint Committee will recognise a provision if it is probable that an outflow of cash or other economic resource will be required to settle the provision. If an outflow is not probable, the item is treated as a contingent liability. When payments are made, they are charged to the provision account held within the balance sheet and are credited back to the service category if no longer required. All provisions are reviewed at the end of the financial year.

Contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities are possible obligations whose existence will be confirmed by uncertain future events that are not wholly within the control of the entity. Contingent liabilities also include obligations that are not recognised because their amount cannot be measured reliably or because settlement is not probable.

Contingent liabilities do not include provisions for which it is certain that the entity has a present obligation that is more likely than not to lead to an outflow of cash or other economic resources, even though the amount or timing is uncertain.

A contingent liability is not recognised in the Statement of Financial position. However, unless the possibility of an outflow of economic resources is remote, a contingent liability is disclosed in the notes of the Statement of Accounts.

Contingent assets

Contingent assets are possible assets whose existence will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of uncertain future events that are not wholly within the control of the entity. Contingent assets are not recognised, but they are disclosed when it is more likely than not that an inflow of benefits will occur. However, when the inflow of benefits is virtually certain an asset is recognised in the statement of financial position, because that asset is no longer considered to be contingent.

Judgements and Key Assumptions

There were no further critical judgments made in the preparation of the financial statements other than those outlined within the specific accounting policies adopted and the estimations used in the compilation of the statement of accounts.

No information key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty were disclosed at the end of the reporting period.

F inancial Statements

Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES)

This statement shows the accounting cost in the year of the delivery of portfolio outputs in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices, rather than the amount to be funded from the award of grant. The reconciliation to the grant position is shown in the Movement in Reserves Statement.

Movement in Reserves Statement

This statement shows the movement in the year on the different reserves held by the Joint Committee, analysed into usable reserves. The Provision of Services line shows a deficit of £1,387,249 with operational expenditure of £1,590,424 being the true economic cost of providing the Joint Committee's services, more details of which are shown in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement.

The Balance Sheet

This shows the assets and liabilities of the Joint Committee as at 31 March 2023.

The Cash Flow Statement

The Cash Flow Statement shows the changes in cash and cash equivalents of the Joint Committee during the reporting period.

Notes to the Financial Statements

These are the notes that accompany the financial statements and provide further information to support the stated accounts.

Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement

The below statement demonstrates all income and expenditure, received and incurred by the Joint Committee throughout the financial year. The statement represents the accounting cost of service provision during the financial year 2022/23, aligned with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practices.

Actuals 2021/22 (£)	Description	Actuals 2022/23 (£)	Notes
	Cost of Service		
463,060	Employee Expenditure	486,398	1
21,577	Premises Related Expenditure	21,577	2
76	Transport Related Expenditure	769	3
183,416	Supplies & Services	1,001,428	4
80,020	Support Services	80,252	5
748,149	Total Operating Expenditure	1,590,424	
	Income		
(400,000)	Partner Contributions	(400,000)	6
(314,119)	'Top Slice' of Government Grants	(252,978)	6
0	Other: Government Grant	-	6
(714,119)	Total Operating Income	(652,978)	
34,030	Net Cost of Service - (Surplus) / Deficit	937,446	
	Financing and Investment Activities		
(39,575)	Investment Interest Income	(870,633)	14
(39,575)	Net Financing and Investment Activities	(870,633)	
	Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income and Expenditure		
(23,086,000)	Capital Grants and Contributions Received	(23,086,000)	15
13,538,281	Capital Grants and Contributions Applied	24,406,436	15
(9,547,719)	Net Taxation and Non-Specific Grant Income	1,320,436	
(9,553,264)	Total (Surplus) / Deficit on Service Provision	1,387,249	
	Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure		
-	Other Income and Expenditure	-	
-	Net Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	-	
(9,553,264)	Total (Surplus)/Defecit on Comprehensive Income and Expenditure	1,387,249	

Movement in Reserves Statement

The statement below demonstrates the Swansea Bay City Deal reserve position as at 31st March 2023.

Description	General Fund Balance (£)	General Fund Earmarked Reserves (£)	Capital Grants Unapplied (£)	Total Usable Reserves (£)	Unusable Reserves (£)	Total Reserves (£)
Balance Brought Forward (as at 1st April 2021)	214,816	-	42,796,680	43,011,496	-	43,011,496
Movements in Reserve during Financial year 2021/22:						
Provision of Services - Surplus / (Deficit)	9,553,264	-	-	9,553,264	-	9,553,264
Adjustments Between Accounting Basis and Funding Basis Under Regulations - Surplus / (Deficit)	(9,547,719)	-	9,547,719	-	-	-
Total In-Year Reserve Movement	5,545	-	9,547,719	9,553,264	-	9,553,264
Balance Carried Forward (as at 31st March 2022)	220,361	-	52,344,399	52,564,760	-	52,564,760
Movements in Reserve during Financial year 2022/23:						
Provision of Services - Surplus / (Deficit)	(1,387,249)	-	-	(1,387,249)	-	(1,387,249)
Adjustments Between Accounting Basis and Funding Basis Under Regulations - Surplus / (Deficit)	1,320,436	-	(1,320,436)	-	-	-
Total In-Year Reserve Movement	(66,813)	-	(1,320,436)	(1,387,249)	-	(1,387,249)
Balance Carried Forward (as at 31st March 2023)	153,548	-	51,023,963	51,177,511	-	51,177,511

Balance Sheet

The below statement demonstrates the assets held and the committed obligations and liabilities of the Joint Committee, together with its current reserve balance, as at the 31st March 2023.

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)	<u>Notes</u>
	<u>Non-Current Assets</u>		
	- Long Term Debtors Capital	-	
	- Total Long Term Assets	-	
	<u>Current Assets</u>		
23,157,874	Short Term Debtors	23,685,872	9
34,862,577	Cash and Cash Equivalents	33,448,200	10
58,020,451	Total Current Assets	57,134,072	
	<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
(5,455,691)	Short Term Creditors	(5,956,561)	12
(5,455,691)	Total Current Liabilities	(5,956,561)	
	<u>Long Term Liabilities</u>		
	- Long Term Creditor	-	
	- Total Long Term Liabilities	-	
52,564,760	Total Net Assets	51,177,511	
	<u>Total Reserves</u>		
220,361	Usable Reserves - Revenue	153,548	13
52,344,399	Capital Grants Unapplied	51,023,963	15
	- Unusable Reserves	-	
52,564,760	Total Reserves	51,177,511	

Cashflow Statement

The statement below demonstrates how cash and cash equivalents are generated and applied to the portfolio by the Joint Committee. These are presented through classifying cashflows as ascending from either operating, investing or financing activities, during the Financial Year.

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> (£)	<u>Notes</u>
(9,553,264)	Net (surplus)/Deficit on the provision of services	1,387,249	
27,369,771	Adjust net surplus or deficit on the provision of services for non-cash movements	(422,675)	17
17,816,507	Net Cashflows from operating activities	964,574	
(9,587,294)	Investing Activities	449,803	17
	- Financing Activities	-	17
8,229,213	Net increase) / Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	1,414,377	
(43,091,790)	Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	(34,862,577)	
(34,862,577)	Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	(33,448,200)	

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1. Employee and Related Expenditure

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u>
<u>(£)</u>		<u>(£)</u>
461,840	Employee and Related Expenditure	486,398
1,220	Training Of Staff	-
463,060	Total Employee and Related Expenditure	486,398

Direct employees supporting the activities of the Joint committee are contractually employed by Carmarthenshire County Council, with additional support being provided by Carmarthenshire on a recharge methodology.

In adherence with the International Accounting Standard; IAS 19- Employee Benefits, the employing body is required to provide disclosure of information concerning the income and expenditure of its pension scheme and any related assets and liabilities.

As the Joint Committee is not by right a separate a legal entity, it cannot enter into employee contracts of employment. The Joint Committee therefore does not directly employ officers, as such, related statutory disclosures do not apply, as employee remuneration costs will be disclosed within the Financial Statements of each employing organisation.

Employee Voluntary Remuneration Disclosures

Under the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2014 it is a requirement to disclose the number of employees in receipt of remuneration exceeding £60,000 per annum. Further disclosure is required under the afore mentioned regulation in respect of senior officers employed within the portfolio.

Details of officer remuneration have been made on voluntary basis, as per the reasoning outlined above. Disclosures of officers who fall within the Officer Emoluments criteria are demonstrated below:

Number of Senior Employees (Exceeding £60,000)

Remuneration Bandings	Number of Employees	
	2021/22	2022/23
£60,000 to £64,999	-	2
£95,000 to £99,999	1	-
£100,000 to £104,999	-	1

Senior Officer Disclosures

Total Remuneration 2021/22 (£)	Senior Employee Position Title	Employers Pension Contribution (£)	Total Remuneration 2022/23 (£)
114,323	Programme Director	18,063	118,411
58,398	PMO Manager	9,457	61,996
58,534	Project Development Manager	9,457	61,996
231,255		36,977	242,403

Total Remuneration 2021/22 (£)	Senior Employee Position Title	Employers Pension Contribution (£)	Total Remuneration 2022/23 (£)
114,323	Programme Director	18,063	118,411
<u>Further Notes</u>			
The annualised salary for this position is £95,000-£99,999.			

2. Premises Related Expenditure

The total premises costs incurred for the year is demonstrated below;

Actuals 2021/22 (£)	Description	Actuals 2022/23 (£)
14,889	Rents & Room Hire	14,889
-	Premises Maintenance	-
6,688	National Non Domestic Rates	6,688
21,577	Total Premises Related Expenditure	21,577

3. Transport Related Expenditure

The total transport related costs incurred for the year is demonstrated below:

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> (£)
-	Public Transport - Staff	-
76	Staff Travelling Expenses	769
76	Total Transport Related Expenditure	769

4. Supplies and Services

The total supplies and services costs incurred for the year is demonstrated below:

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> (£)
123,320	Professional Fees	101,040
43	Admin, Office & Operational Consumables	10,511
-	Computer software	415
3,317	Translation/Interpret Services	7,048
10	Subsistence & Meetings Expenses	68
17,151	Promotions, Marketing & Advertising	11,713
39,575	Projects & Activities Expenditure	870,633
183,416	Total Supplies and Services	1,001,428

5. Support Services

The total support services expenditure incurred for the year is demonstrated below:

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> (£)
55,329	Recharges - Employee costs (in-direct)	56,435
24,607	Central Recharges	23,712
84	Photocopying Recharge	105
80,020	Total Support Services	80,252

6. Income

The total receipted income during the year is demonstrated below:

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> <u>(£)</u>
(400,000)	Income - Partnership Contributions	(400,000)
(314,119)	Top Slice' of Government Grants	(252,978)
0	Government Revenue Grants - WAG	0
(714,119)	Total Income	(652,978)

Partnership Income

Within the Joint Committee Agreement there is acknowledgment that all partners will contribute £50,000 per annum to support the central and administrative functions of the portfolio. This applies to all eight partners (including co-opt members).

'Top Slice of Government Grants'

The income in respect of the 'Top slice' has been drawn down against grant paid and committed throughout the year. The top slice is agreed at 1.5% of the grant value as outlined within the Joint Committee Agreement.

7. Related Party Disclosures

Under *International Accounting Standard 24 – Related Party Disclosures* the Joint Committee is required to disclose material transactions between partners, bodies, individuals or related parties, that could potentially influence the decisions of the Joint Committee or be influenced by the Joint Committee.

Any transactions between parties outlined above will require disclosure to allow the users of these Financial statements to assess the extent to which the Joint Committee independence could potentially been impaired or influenced another party's ability to transact with the Joint Committee.

Welsh and UK Governments could influence the Joint Committees decision making abilities or operational delivery, through grant terms and conditions or legislation and regulation. Details of grant receipts are outlined in note **6. Government Grants**.

Related Party Transactions

Actuals 2022/23							
Related Party	Revenue Income (£)	Revenue Expenditure (£)	Total Revenue (£)	Capital Receipts (£)	Capital Expenditure (£)	Total Capital (£)	Total (£)
PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	(50,000)	129,480	79,480	-	9,848,059	9,848,059	9,927,539
HYWEL DDA UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	-	(50,000)
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	-	(50,000)
CITY & COUNTY OF SWANSEA	(50,000)	314,705	264,705	-	4,957,677	4,957,677	5,222,382
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY HEALTHBOARD	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	-	(50,000)
NEATH PORT TALBOT CBC	(50,000)	263,993	213,993	-	3,369,351	3,369,351	3,583,344
UNIVERSITY OF WALES TRINITY SAINT DAVID	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	-	(50,000)
CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	(1,523,611)	1,590,424	66,813	(23,086,000)	24,406,436	1,320,436	1,387,249

Actuals 2021/22							
Related Party	Revenue Income (£)	Revenue Expenditure (£)	Total Revenue (£)	Capital Receipts (£)	Capital Expenditure (£)	Total Capital (£)	Total (£)
PEMBROKESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	(50,000)	51,119	1,119	-	1,790,181	1,790,181	1,791,300
HYWEL DDA UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	0	(50,000)
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	0	(50,000)
CITY & COUNTY OF SWANSEA	(50,000)	84,718	34,718	-	4,789,627	4,789,627	4,824,345
SWANSEA UNIVERSITY HEALTHBOARD	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	0	(50,000)
NEATH PORT TALBOT CBC	(50,000)	69,973	19,973	-	1,947	1,947	21,920
UNIVERSITY OF WALES TRINITY SAINT DAVID	(50,000)	-	(50,000)	-	-	0	(50,000)
CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	(753,694)	748,149	(5,545)	(23,086,000)	13,538,281	(9,547,719)	(9,553,264)

Balance Sheet Disclosures

Actuals 2021/22			Description	Actuals 2022/23		
Debtors (£)	Creditors (£)	Balance (£)		Debtors (£)	Creditors (£)	Balance (£)
71,874	(5,428,911)	(5,357,037)	Partner Local Authorities	599,872	(5,935,003)	(5,335,131)
23,086,000	(4,950)	23,081,050	Central Government Bodies	23,086,000	(4,950)	23,081,050
23,157,874	(5,433,861)	17,724,013	Total	23,685,872	(5,939,953)	17,745,919

Carmarthenshire County Council (as the Accountable Body) Disclosures

Actuals 2021/22 (£)	Description	Actuals 2022/23 (£)
748,149	Expenditure	1,590,424
(753,694)	Income	(1,523,611)
(5,545)	Net Cost of Service - (Surplus) / Deficit	66,813
43,141,789	Assets	57,134,072
(130,294)	Liabilities	(5,956,561)
43,011,495	Total Net Assets	51,177,511
43,011,495	Total Reserves	51,177,511

8. External Audit Fees

The following charge is the cost payable to Audit Wales for external audit services provided to the Swansea Bay City Region Deal:

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> (£)
21,830	Audit Fees	11,330
21,830	Total External Audit Fees	11,330

9. Debtors

The total outstanding debtor balances as at 31st March 2023 are demonstrated below:

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)
71,874	Income - other Authorities & Bodies	599,872
23,086,000	Government Grant Income	23,086,000
23,157,874	Total Debtor Balance	23,685,872

10. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Joint Committee itself does not operate or control its own individual bank account to facilitate the delivery of the Portfolio. Carmarthenshire County Council in its role as the Accountable Body administer all cash and cash equivalent transactions on behalf of the Joint Committee.

Portfolio balances are invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's Treasury Management Policy to optimise the return on cash surpluses. Interest yielded is recognised in the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement and accounted for within Carmarthenshire Council's Statement of Accounts.

All monies demonstrated within the Cash and Cash equivalents are retained within the accounts of Carmarthenshire County Council as the accountable body, ring-fenced to the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee and available for immediate use.

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)
43,091,790	Balance B/F	34,862,577
(8,229,212.56)	Cash and Cash Equivalents In Year Movements	(1,414,377)
34,862,577	Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	33,448,200

11. Financial Instruments

Financial instruments held by the Joint Committee consist of the cash and cash equivalents as stated in schedule 10. **Cash and Cash Equivalents.**

It is recognised that throughout the lifecycle of the City Deal Portfolio, cash balances will arise through cashflow movements as and when projects become live and actual expenditure is incurred.

Portfolio balances are invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's Treasury Management Policy to optimise the return on cash surpluses. Interest is calculated on an average rate and ring fenced to the City Deal portfolio. Throughout the year balances have been invested through approved institutions in short-term financial instruments in adherence to the protocols set out within the applied Treasury strategy. Within the Treasury strategy, investments are only employed with Counterparties whose risk appetite is very low.

Carmarthenshire Council carries out its treasury management activities in accordance with the Prudential Code of Practice first developed for public services in 2002 by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA). This Code was last revised in 2017. The Council also carries out its treasury management activities in accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice 2017.

All cash and cash equivalents are demonstrated within these financial statement's representative of their fair value, which equates to their carrying value, in accordance with the requirements of **IFRS 9 Financial Instruments**.

<u>31st March 2022</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u>
(£)		(£)
Fair Value		Fair Value
43,091,790	Balance B/F	34,862,577
(8,229,213)	Cash and Cash Equivalents In Year Movements	(1,414,377)
34,862,577	Total Financial Instruments	33,448,200

12. Creditors

The total outstanding creditor balances as at 31st March 2023 are demonstrated below:

<u>31st March 2022</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u>
(£)		(£)
4,950	Central Government Bodies	4,950
5,428,911	Local Authorities	5,935,003
21,830	Other: Short Term Creditors	16,608
5,455,691	Total Creditors Balance	5,956,561

13. Usable Reserves

Usable reserves in respect of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal Portfolio are demonstrated below:

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)
214,816	Balance B/F	220,361
5,545	Usable Reserves In Year Movements	(66,813)
220,361	Total Usable Reserves	153,548

14. Interest

Carmarthenshire County Council upholds responsibility as the Accountable Body for managing investments of cash balances held by the Joint Committee. Portfolio balances are invested in line with Carmarthenshire County Council's treasury policy. Interest is calculated on an average rate and ring fenced to the Swansea Bay City Region Deal Portfolio.

Investment activities consist of short-term investments through approved institutions to optimise returns, whilst maintaining and managing cash requirements of approved projects within the Portfolio.

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)
(39,575)	Interest Income	(870,633)
(39,575)	Total Interest Income Balance	(870,633)

15. Capital Grants Unapplied Reserve

This reserve is in sole respect of the capital grant received by the portfolio from the Welsh and UK Governments.

<u>31st March 2022</u> (£)	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u> (£)
42,796,680	Balance B/F	52,344,399
23,086,000	Capital Grants Unapplied	23,086,000
(13,538,281)	Capital Grants Applied	(24,406,436)
52,344,399	Total Capital Grants Unapplied	51,023,963

16. Grant Income – Capital

Capital grant income received is demonstrated below:

<u>31st March 2022</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>31st March 2023</u>
<u>(£)</u>		<u>(£)</u>
(54,000,000)	Balance B/F	(77,086,000)
(23,086,000)	Government Grant Income	(23,086,000)
(77,086,000)	Total Government Grant Income	(100,172,000)

17. Notes in Respect of the Cashflow Statement

Operating Activities

This statement outlines the cash generated through the activities of the Joint Committee, including the Portfolio Investment Fund.

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u>
<u>(£)</u>		<u>(£)</u>
(5,325,397)	Creditors - (Increase) / Decrease	(500,870)
23,107,874	Debtors - Increase / (Decrease)	527,998
23,086,000	Capital grants and contributions recognised in CIES	23,086,000
(13,538,281)	Capital Grants and Contributions Applied in CEIS	(24,406,436)
39,575	Interest Received	870,633
27,369,771	Net Cashflow from Operating Activities	(422,675)

Investing Activities

This component of the cashflow statement demonstrates changes in assets and investments. Effectively, it documents the cash spend or the drawdown of cash from investments.

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u>
<u>(£)</u>		<u>(£)</u>
(9,547,719)	Short-Term Investments	1,320,436
(39,575)	Interest Received	(870,633)
(9,587,294)	Net Cashflow from Investing Activities	449,803

Financing Activities

This component relates to finance-driven changes and activities to the Joint Committee.

<u>Actuals 2021/22</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actuals 2022/23</u> <u>(£)</u>
0	Government Grants Received - Revenue	0
0	Government Grants Received - Capital	0
0	Net Cashflow from Financing Activities	0

18. Expenditure and Funding Analysis

The Expenditure and Funding Analysis breakdown was omitted from the financial statements due to the transactions being of minimal value and as such immaterial in the presentation of the accounts.

19. Contingent Liabilities

During the financial year 2020/21 it was agreed to extend the budget for the Portfolio Management Office to five operational years to 2024/25. Within the budget there was a provision for redundancy in respect of the eight posts employed by Carmarthenshire directly attributable to the City Deal.

All employees are permanently contracted to Carmarthenshire County Council and at present the probability of redundancy preceding the budgeted operational term is considered remote due to the delay in the commencement of programmes / projects. An estimated redundancy valuation has been used within the management accounts to support the management of reserves. Due to the subjectivity of redundancy calculations, this figure cannot be accurately defined.

Annual Governance Statement

Scope of Responsibility

The Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee is responsible for ensuring that its business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards. It must also ensure that public money is safeguarded and properly accounted for and used economically, efficiently and effectively and to secure continuous improvement and delivery in this regard.

The Joint Committee is responsible for putting in place appropriate arrangements for the Governance of its affairs and facilitating the effective exercise of its functions including having appropriate arrangements for the management of risk and portfolio delivery.

The Joint Committee details how it deals with all aspects of Governance through its Joint Committee Agreement which defines the standards, roles and responsibilities of the Chair, its Members, Committees and its Officers. The Joint Committee Agreement includes a Scheme of Delegation outlining the decision-making process taking into account the relevant legislation.

The Governance Framework

The Governance Framework comprises of the systems, processes, cultures and values by which the Joint Committee is directed and controlled and also the way it accounts to, engages with and leads the Region and Community. It enables the Committee to monitor the achievement of its strategic objectives and to consider whether those objectives are/have led to the delivery of appropriate, relevant, value for money projects.

The system of internal control is a significant part of that framework and is designed to manage risk to an appropriate level. It aims to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the Committee's policies, aims and objectives. It evaluates the likelihood and impact of identified risks being realised and to manage individual risks appropriately.

This Statement explains how the Joint Committee has complied with the various elements of the Governance Framework.

The Joint Committee has adopted and implemented a code of Corporate Governance based on the Framework 'Delivering Good Governance in Local Government' published by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) and Society of Local Authority Chief Executives and Senior Managers (SOLACE).

The Governance Environment

The Governance framework comprises of 7 fundamental principles implemented to endorse high standards of confidence and trust in the governance and operation of the Portfolio, whilst upholding a commitment to ongoing improvement on a continuing basis through a process of evaluation and review.

The CIPFA/SOLACE Governance Framework sets out 7 fundamental principles of Corporate Governance. The 'CIPFA Seven' are:

1. Integrity and Values - Behaving with integrity, demonstrating strong commitment to ethical values, and respecting the rule of law.
2. Openness and engagement - Ensuring openness and comprehensive stakeholder engagement.
3. Making a difference - Defining outcomes in terms of sustainable economic, social, and environmental benefits.
4. Making sure we achieve what we set out to do - Determining the interventions necessary to optimise the achievement of the intended outcomes.
5. Valuing our people; engaging, leading and supporting - Developing capacity and the capability of leadership and individuals.
6. Managing risks, performance and finance - Managing risks and performance through robust internal control and strong public financial management.
7. Good transparency and accountability - Implementing good practices in transparency, reporting, and audit to deliver effective accountability.

Integrity and Values

- The behaviour and expectations of Officers/Members are set out in the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee Agreement. The Agreement sets out the procedure for meetings, highlights conflicts of interest and includes Rules of Conduct of Co-opted Members of the Joint Committee and the Economic Strategy Board.
- The Joint Committee Agreement sets out requirements for members and officers to disclose gifts and hospitality annually.
- The Joint Committee Agreement provides that Members must at all times act in accordance with the Member Code of Conduct of their respective authorities. The Code of Conduct will apply when they are acting in their capacity as Joint Committee Member.
- Declarations of interest is a standing item of the agenda for both Portfolio Board and Joint Committee.
- All members of the Joint Committee, Programme Board, Economic Strategy Board, as well as Statutory Officers and direct SBCD portfolio employees, are required to complete a declaration of interest form on a six month basis, including within, third party interests and related party disclosures.
- Compliance with policies and rules set out in the Joint Committee Agreement.
- Reports to both Portfolio Board and Joint Committee have legal/finance clearance prior to publication.
- Comprehensive scrutiny function.
- Comprehensive audit scrutiny.
- The Monitoring Officer ensures compliance with statute and reports on any maladministration.
- External challenge from auditors.

Openness and Engagement

- The Joint Committee ensures an open culture evidenced by open meetings and publication of agendas, minutes and webcasts where appropriate.
- There is enough opportunity for public questions at Joint Committee.
- Portfolio and project risks are published.
- There is appropriate consultation and engagement supporting the decision-making process including annual budget consultation, engagement with Governments, Economic Strategy Board regional advisers and key stakeholders.
- The scrutiny function invites stakeholder participation and contribution.
- The Portfolio's Marketing and Media function promotes the work of the Portfolio and supports proactive engagement with members of the public, helping them to access information on project delivery wherever and whenever it is convenient to them.

Making a difference

- The portfolio has a clear vision set out within its heads of terms.
- The portfolio deliverables will make a step change in the economic prosperity of the Swansea Bay Region.
- The Portfolio Management Office presents quarterly the Implementation Plan and has developed an Integrated Assurance Action Plan, Monitoring and Evaluation Plan and a Portfolio Business Plan.
- The Accountable Body provides regular Financial monitoring updates.
- Portfolio risk management policy ensures consistent application of risk registers and terminology and audit scrutiny.
- Improved communications and regional working across all 8 primary stakeholders.

Making sure we achieve what we set out to

do

- Establishment of a regional Portfolio Management Office to oversee the governance, assurance and portfolio progression.
- Appointment of a Senior Responsible Officer for the Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio to work with the Portfolio Director and Joint Committee.
- There is regular public and stakeholder engagement at project level.
- The Portfolio takes a sustainable view, with Lead Authorities each having their own independent social and environmental policies and plans, including;
 - *Medium term financial plan*
 - *Corporate Plan*
 - *Annual reports*
- Projects are supported by detailed business cases with clear deliverables and are managed locally.
- There is an annual budget setting process in place. There is regular financial monitoring updates and engagement in respect of financial matters with members.
- The portfolio has a detailed risk management procedure.

Valuing our people; engaging, leading and supporting

- The Joint Committee ensures that members and officers have the right skills, knowledge and mind set to operate efficiently and effectively to achieve its intended outcomes by:
 - *Providing a comprehensive induction portfolio*
 - *Annual performance review*
 - *Providing job related training*
- The Joint Committee encompasses a robust governance structure including private sector advisors.
- Effective shared leadership and understanding of roles and objectives is supported by:
 - *Clear and defined leadership roles.*
 - *Appraisal of Portfolio Director role and remuneration.*
 - *Regular committee and board meetings.*
 - *The JCS sets out clearly defined roles and responsibilities of members, officers and advisers.*

Managing risks, performance and finance

- Decision making supported by;
 - *Risk register*
 - *Issue log*
 - *Progress update log*
- Regular financial monitoring updates by the Section 151 officer.
- Monthly review of all risk logs and registers
- There are regular individual project updates, given by respective Lead Authority leaders/chief executives.
- Internal audit provides an independent and objective assurance on the effectiveness of internal control, risk management and governance.
- The portfolio has approved and embedded anti-fraud and corruption policy.
- The Internal Audit plan is approved by Joint Committee
- The External Audit plan is approved by Joint Committee.
- Financial Management is integrated through all levels of planning and control by;
 - *Specific corporate risk around financial control within the risk register.*
 - *Financial implications are included within all decision-making reports.*

Good Transparency and Accountability

- Joint Committee Agreement demonstrates clear accountability of project delivery leads.
- Project outputs and outcomes linked to grant funding.
- Government progress updates.
- Reports are published on the City Deal website and are available in the Welsh language.
- Where possible exempt reports are split so the main report can be heard in public with confidential information being a separate exempt report.
- The Joint Committee have adopted the Code of Corporate Governance based on CIPFA framework.
- Implementation of Audit Wales and Internal Audit recommended actions monitored by Joint Committee.
- Peer review and inspection from regulatory bodies, including Gateway Assurance Processes.

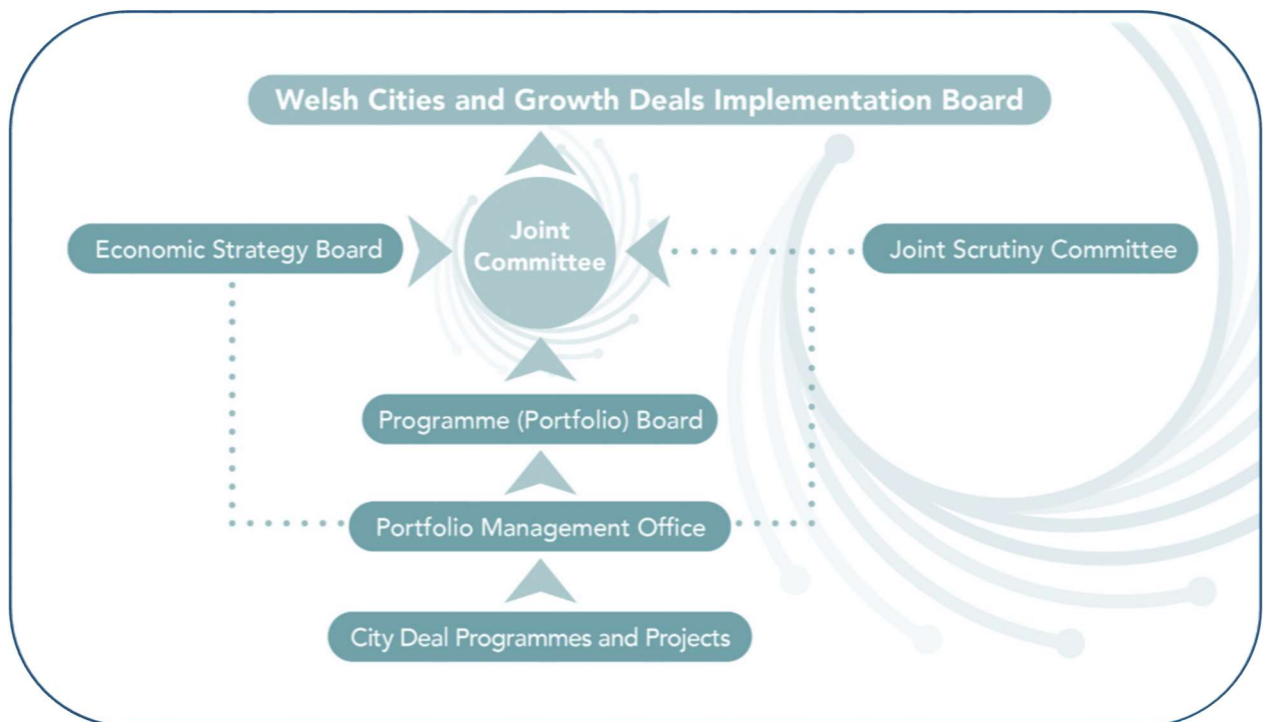
Embracing good governance in the Public Sector



Governance Structure

The Governance Structure details the hierarchy of committees and boards adopted to successfully manage, control, and deliver the Swansea Bay City Region Deal portfolio. The formal Governance Structure adopted by the City Deal for project implementation is demonstrated below. The Joint Committee upholds ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken in the City Deal portfolio. However, this is not an independent entity, rather a collaborative leadership group consisting of the four regional Local Authorities, underpinned by a Joint Committee Agreement.

Swansea Bay City Deal Governance Structure



Swansea Bay City Deal Accountable Officers

Chair of the Joint Committee - Councillor Rob Stewart, Leader of City and County of Swansea Council

Senior Responsible Owner – Wendy Walters, Chief Executive of Carmarthenshire County Council

Section 151 Officer – Chris Moore, Director of Corporate Services, Carmarthenshire County Council.

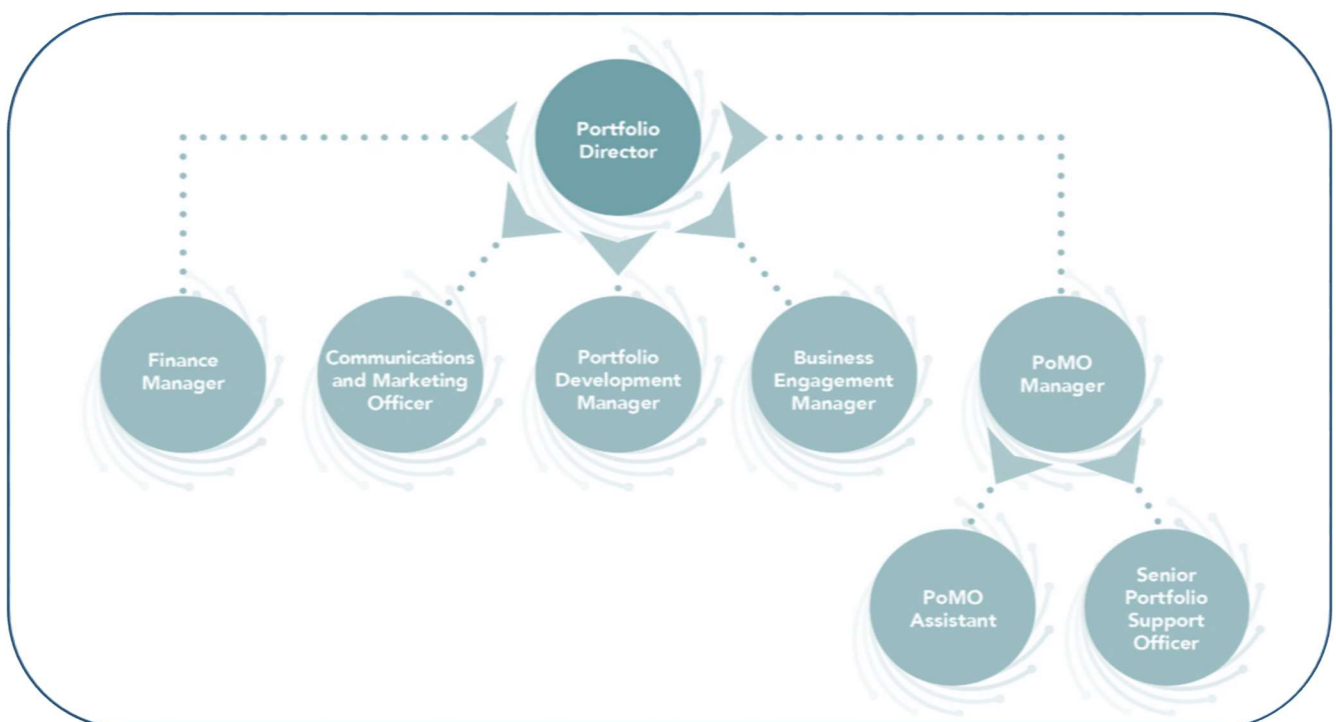
Monitoring Officer – Tracey Meredith, Chief Legal Officer and Monitoring Officer, City and County of Swansea Council

Portfolio Management Office – Dr Jonathan Burnes, Portfolio Director

Portfolio Management Office

The PoMO is tasked with the responsibility for the day-to-day management of matters relating to the Swansea Bay City Deal. One post is vacant as at year end (PoMO Assistant). The PoMO staffing structure is outlined below:

Portfolio Management Office Staffing Structure*



*The Finance Manager is responsible to the Portfolio Section 151 Officer.

Internal Sources of Assurance

Governance Structure

Joint Committee

The Joint Committee comprises of the four Local Authority Leaders of Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea councils.

The Joint Committee will be chaired by a Local Authority Leader, and it has been agreed by the four Councils that the Leader of Swansea Council will take on this responsibility. The Chair of the Joint Committee will be elected for a two-year term in the first instance, reviewed annually thereafter.

The Joint Committee has ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal, in line with the visions and interests of all participating parties and the Swansea Bay City Deal document signed on 20th March 2017.

Since the signing of the Heads of Terms document, in order to maintain momentum, the Joint Committee operated in shadow form. The first formal meeting of this committee took place on 29th August 2018 when each of the four Local Authorities signed the Joint Committee Agreement, the legal document which sets out how the Councils will work together.

The Head of Paid Service, Monitoring Officer and Section 151 officer of each of the Councils shall be entitled to attend meetings of the Joint Committee as an adviser and shall not have a vote.

The Leaders have agreed to co-opt to the Joint Committee the Chair of the Economic Strategy Board, and one representative each from the University of Wales Trinity Saint David, Swansea University, Hywel Dda University Health Board and Swansea Bay University Health Board. Voting rights will be reserved to the four Local Authority Leaders.

The Joint Committee meets currently on a monthly basis and as set out in the Joint Committee Agreement; its function includes:

- Identifying and implementing appropriate governance structures for the implementation of any projects within the Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio. This shall include the formation of bodies corporate and any other structures which the Councils can lawfully establish or participate in.
- Agreeing and planning the overall strategy for and delivery of the portfolio for the Swansea Bay City Deal.
- Performance management of the Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio.
- Strategic communications
- Monitoring of the impact of the Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio and reporting on this to the Councils.
- Authorising the Accountable Body to commission external support and to oversee the delivery and management of project expenditure.
- Progressing a regional approach for the Swansea Bay City Region for the discharge of strategic functions. These functions may include land use planning, transport planning and economic development.
- Approval and adoption of the Implementation Plan.
- Approval of any extension agreed by the Councils to the deadline for approval of the Implementation Plan.
- Agreeing the terms and conditions of Government Funding.
- Overseeing the proportion of each Council's responsibility for borrowing to provide funding for regional projects.
- Reviewing performance of the Chair of the Economic Strategy Board on an annual basis.
- Agreeing the Annual Costs Budget.

Following the process as set out in the Joint Committee Agreement, the Joint Committee shall consider the project business case and the recommendations of the Portfolio Board and the Economic Strategy Board and shall decide whether or not to approve the project for submission to the UK Government and Welsh Government for approval by the UK Government and Welsh Government for the release of government funding for the project.

COVID-19 Impact

Some governance arrangements within the Swansea Bay City Deal have required adaption as a consequence of the current COVID-19 pandemic. The main significant change as a result of the pandemic was in respect of the undertaking of committees and boards, with these conducted and facilitated on a remote basis.

The overall delivery of the portfolio is still on target to be achieved and additional monitoring has been undertaken within the year in the form of a COVID-19 impact assessment. Risks and issues identified within this assessment have been included within the portfolio risk register with actions to manage and/or mitigate.

Economic Strategy Board

Reporting to the Joint Committee, the Economic Strategy Board will represent the wider community, including the private sector.

The Economic Strategy Board will act as the voice of business and will provide strategic direction for the Swansea Bay City Deal, through advice to the Joint Committee on matters relating to the Swansea Bay City Region. It will have a role in advising the Joint Committee on opportunities to strengthen the City Deal's impact.

The Chair will be accountable to the Joint Committee. The Economic Strategy Board will not have any formal decision-making powers and it will reach agreement by consensus.

The Economic Strategy Board will meet with the following frequency or as and when required:

- Quarterly in advance of any Joint Committee meeting.
- When necessary to deal with business as agreed by the Chair of the Economic Strategy Board.
- The Portfolio Management Office will arrange for minutes of the proceedings of each meeting to be taken, approved and recorded. Key activities of the Economic Strategy Board include.
- Submit strategic objectives for the Swansea Bay City Region.
- Assess the individual Project Business Cases against the strategic aims and objectives of the Swansea Bay City Deal and make a recommendation to the Joint Committee on whether or not the Project Business Case should proceed.
- Consider implications of a proposed withdrawal or change of Project Authority Lead and any proposal for a new project and provide recommendations to the Joint Committee on whether the new project proposed should replace the project to be withdrawn and if not the process for selecting new projects or reallocation of funding.
- Monitor progress with regard to the delivery of the Swansea Bay City Deal.

The Chair of the Economic Strategy Board has been appointed following an open competition exercise. The process of appointing other members of the Economic Strategy Board has taken place through an open recruitment and nomination process, membership being drawn from across the wider private and public sectors. The Economic Strategy Board membership was agreed through a vote at the first formal meeting of the Joint Committee on 29th August 2018. Members are expected to adhere to the conditions of membership as outlined in schedule 13 of the Joint Committee Agreement.

Portfolio Board

The Portfolio Board is accountable to the Joint Committee and consists of the Head of Paid Service of each of the four Councils, or another officer nominated by the Head of Paid Service. The Portfolio Board Chair shall be reviewed annually.

The Portfolio Board may co-opt additional representatives to the Board. Co-opted members may include representatives of Swansea University, University of Wales Trinity St David, Hywel Dda University Health Board and Swansea Bay University Health Board.

It has been unanimously agreed by the Councils that the Chief Executive of Carmarthenshire County Council will chair the Portfolio Board meetings.

Portfolio Board was formally established by the Joint Committee at its first meeting.

The Portfolio Board has four distinct roles:

- Preparing recommendations on the Swansea Bay City Deal portfolio:
 - *Ensuring that all schemes are developed in accordance with the agreed package, analysing the financial viability, deliverability and risk of each City Deal project proposal.*
 - *Overseeing production of business case.*
- Advising on the strategic direction of the Economic Strategy Board.
- Overseeing performance and delivery of the delivery of projects, reviewing progress against agreed milestones, focusing on delivery and financial risks and identifying any necessary remedial action.
- Working on a regional basis to improve public services especially in the areas of economic development, transport, planning and strategic land use, housing and regeneration.

Meetings of the Portfolio Board take place on a monthly basis before the Joint Committee meeting and before all quarterly meetings of the Economic Strategy Board.

Portfolio Management Office

Reporting directly to the Accountable Officer and the Joint Committee, the Portfolio Management Office plays a pivotal coordinating and supporting role and it is responsible for the day-to-day management of matters relating to the Joint Committee and the Swansea Bay City Deal.

Key activities of the Portfolio Management Office include:

- Strategic liaison with UK Government and Welsh Governments and policy advisors.
- Governance support for all aspects of the City Deal governance structure, the SBCD Joint Committee, Portfolio Board and Economic Strategy Board.
- Portfolio implementation co-ordination, monitoring and evaluation.
- Undertake research, analysis and report on findings as requested by groups within the governance structure.
- Strategic project co-ordination includes advising on and coordinating the development and submission of 5 case business models for City Deal projects.
- Liaison and engagement with government funding bodies and portfolios, and with the Universities and Health Boards.
- Responsibility for managing the identification, assessment, approval, monitoring and evaluation processes for Regional interventions and projects.
- Communications and engagement management for the Swansea Bay City Deal.
- Private sector involvement, business development and inward investment.

Utilising the Joint Committee's governance model to lead in the consideration and development of opportunities for additional capital and revenue external funding bids for additional funding sources to assist in the delivery of the regional activities which are complimentary to the SBCD.

Accountable Body

The Councils have agreed that Carmarthenshire County Council will act as the Accountable Body responsible for discharging the Councils' Obligations in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal in accordance with the Joint Committee Agreement.

The role of the Accountable Body is to:

- Act as the primary interface with Welsh Government, UK Government and any other funding bodies necessary to discharge the Councils' Obligations.
- Hold and release any Government Funding in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal and only to use and release such funds as agreed in accordance with the terms of such funding and the Joint Committee Agreement.
- Comply with the Funding Conditions as set out in the JCA.
- Undertake the accounting responsibilities set out in this Agreement.
- Employ the Regional Office staff.

The Joint Committee will designate the Chief Executive of the Accountable Body as Lead Chief Executive to act as its principal adviser and as Accountable Officer to manage and oversee the work of the Accountable Body and the Portfolio Management Office team.

Monitoring Officer

The Monitoring Officer is responsible for ensuring good governance and maintaining the highest ethical standards, ensuring the legality of arrangements as well as ensuring that the Joint Committee Agreement is adhered to. The Monitoring Officer has access to all meetings of the Joint Committee including the Economic Strategy Board and the Portfolio Board.

The Councils have agreed that the Monitoring Officer function and occupation with responsibility for discharging the Councils' Obligations in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal in accordance with the Joint Committee Agreement, will be supported by the City and County of Swansea.

The Monitoring Officer is well placed to play a proactive role in supporting Members and Officers in both formal and informal settings to comply with the law and with the Joint Committee's own procedures. The Monitoring Officer is supported by the Democratic Services function of City and County of Swansea Council who is responsible for the formal recording and publication of the democratic decision-making process.

The Monitoring Officer works closely with the Portfolio Director and the Section 151 Officer in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and will report to Joint Committee or the Portfolio Board if she considers that any proposal will give rise to unlawfulness.

Financial Services (Section 151 Officer)

The Director of Corporate Services Carmarthenshire County Council is the responsible officer for the administration of the Joint Committees affairs under Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 and carries overall responsibility for the financial administration of the Swansea Bay City Region Deal.

The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) previously published a “Statement on the Role of the Chief Financial Officer in Local Government”. The Statement describes the role and responsibilities of the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and sets out 5 Key Principles (see below) that define the core activities and behaviours that belong to the role of CFO in public service organisations and the organisational arrangements needed to support them. Carmarthenshire County Council through the appointment of the Director of Corporate Services fully complies with the Statement.

- Principle 1 - The CFO in a Local Authority is a key member of the Leadership Team, helping it to develop and implement strategy and to resource and deliver the Authority’s strategic objectives sustainably and in the public interest.
- Principle 2 - The CFO in a Local Authority must be actively involved in, and able to bring influence to bear on, all material business decisions to ensure immediate and longer-term implications, opportunities and risks are fully considered, and alignment with the Authority’s overall financial strategy.
- Principle 3 - The CFO in a Local Authority must lead the promotion and delivery by the whole Authority of good financial management so that public money is safeguarded at all times and used appropriately, economically, efficiently, and effectively.
- Principle 4 - The CFO in a Local Authority must lead and direct a finance function that is resourced to be fit for purpose.
- Principle 5 - The CFO in a Local Authority must be professionally qualified and suitably experienced.

The Financial Services function provides support to the Joint Committee and co-ordinates and supports the budget preparation and financial monitoring process.

Internal Audit

The review of the effectiveness of the system of Internal Control and Governance arrangements is informed by the work of the Internal Auditors on which the Joint Committee gains assurance. Internal Audit are required to undertake their work in accordance with the standards as set out in the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) established in 2013 are the agreed professional standards for Internal Audit in Local Government. The principles of Internal audit are demonstrated below.

As required by the Standards, the Head of Internal Audit (Pembrokeshire County Council) prepares an annual report for consideration by the Joint Committee. The format of the Annual Report complies with the requirements of the Code of Practice.

Internal Audit Report – Swansea Bay City Deal

The audit aims to provide assurance that the Swansea Bay City Deal has adequate governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements in place, which are operating effectively and assisting it to achieve its objectives.

Audit Scope

Area	Description
Governance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow Up of Previous Recommendations• Follow Up of Gateway Review Recommendations• Decision Making• Assurance, Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements• Registers of Interests and Related Parties
Risk Management:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Risk Management Arrangements
Project Management & Monitoring:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Management, Process and Monitoring• Project Outcomes and Benefit Realisation
Financial Management:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budgetary Control• Investments• Grant Claims Process

The internal audit report has determined an audit assurance rating of 'Substantial'; There are none or few weaknesses in the adequacy and/or effectiveness of the governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements, and they would either be unlikely to occur or their impact is not likely to affect the achievement of the SBCD objectives. This report will be presented to the Joint Committee within the 2022/23 financial year and was subject to delay in financial year 2021/22 due to the COVID-19 crisis and local elections.

The Strategic and Annual Audit Plans are approved by Joint Committee annually and regular reports are made to the Joint Committee throughout the year on progress and any significant weaknesses identified.

In addition to the planned work, the Internal Audit Unit undertakes fraud investigation and proactive fraud detection work.

Committees

Joint Scrutiny Committee

The Joint Scrutiny Committee comprise of 12 members in total, three from each of the four Constituent Authorities. The Role of the Joint Scrutiny Committee is to provide advice, challenge and support to the Joint Committee. The Joint Scrutiny Committee is required to:

- Review and Scrutinise the Joint Committee's financial affairs.
- Review and assess the Joint Committees risk management, internal control and corporate governance arrangements.
- Review and assess the economy, efficiency and effectiveness with which resources have been used.
- Make reports and recommendations to the Joint Committee in relation to the points outlines above.

The purpose of the Joint Scrutiny Committee shall be:

- Performing the overview and scrutiny function for the Swansea Bay City Deal on behalf of the four constituent authorities.
- To develop a forward work Portfolio reflecting the functions as demonstrated in the Joint Committee Agreement (Cl. 2.1.1)
- To seek reassurance and consider if the city deal is operating according to the Joint Committee Agreement, its business plan, timetable and/or is being managed effectively.
- To monitor any City Deal Regional projects against its portfolio plan.
- To make any reports and recommendations to the constituent authorities, whether to their executive boards or Full Council as appropriate, in respect of any function which has been delegated to the Joint Committee pursuant to the Joint Committee Agreement.

Scrutiny of individual authorities' projects shall be a matter for the relevant Constituent authorities Scrutiny Committee.

External Sources of Assurance

External Audit

The Auditor General (Audit Wales) is the auditor for Carmarthenshire County Council and discharges his responsibilities under the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 through the external audit of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee statement of accounts.

Carmarthenshire County Council holds responsibility of the Accountable Body function on behalf of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committee.

The agreed Annual Audit plan 2022 outlined the proposed audit plan and scope of the external audit to be undertaken by Audit Wales of the Swansea Bay City Deal Joint Committees Statement of Accounts. This plan was prepared and agreed by the Joint Committee and represents the third year of external audit work.

Gateway Reviews

Office of Government Commerce (OGC) Gateway Reviews will be appropriately carried out at both a City Deal Portfolio (Gate 0) and project level (Project Assessment Reviews (PARS) or Gates 1-5) to examine specific points in their lifecycles. This will assure successful progression and overall delivery, while supporting the Senior Responsible Owner (SRO) in the successful discharge of their duties.

These reviews are among a suite of assurance activities the City Deal’s Portfolio Management Office will organise, with the best course of action determined by the maturity of the portfolio or the stage of a constituent project’s development or delivery.

To support this process the Portfolio SRO and Joint Committee will ensure the delivery of an Integrated Assurance and Approval Plan (IAAP), a Monitoring and Evaluation Plan and a Portfolio plan. The Regional Portfolio Management Office will provide visibility to the SRO and Joint Committee of the collaborative work undertaken with Welsh Assurance Hub to develop these assurances and monitoring plans over the coming months. A portfolio level IAAP has been developed and implemented together with individual IAAPs for each of the constituent projects. A Joint SBCD / WG / UKG Assurance Panel has been established and a Portfolio Assurance Framework developed to inform and guide assurance activity across the Portfolio.

Government Review (5 case business model)

The need to get the best possible value from spending public money will always remain a constant for the Joint Committee and its partners. To this end, all City Deal business cases must be developed using the HM Treasury and Welsh Government’s Five Case Model - an approach which is both scalable and proportionate. It is recognised as best practice and is the Treasury’s standard methodology.

The business case, both as a product and a process, provides decision-makers, stakeholders and the public with a management tool for evidence-based, transparent decision-making and a framework for the delivery, management and performance monitoring of the resultant scheme.

Each business case in support of SBCD project must evidence:

The Case	The question	What the Business Case must demonstrate	
Strategic Case	Is the proposal needed?	will it further the aims and objectives?	is there a clear case for change?
Economic Case	Is it value for money?	has a range of options been considered?	is it the best balance of cost, benefits and risk?
Commercial Case	Is it viable?	is there a supplier who can meet our needs?	can we secure a value for money deal?
Financial Case	Is it affordable?	are the costs realistic and affordable?	is the required funding available and supported?
Management Case	Is it achievable	are we capable of delivering the project?	do we have robust systems and processes in place?

- o Strategic Case - the intervention is supported by a compelling case for change that provides a holistic fit with other parts of the organisation and public sector

- Economic Case - the intervention represents best public value (to the UK as a whole)
- Commercial Case - the proposed project is attractive to the marketplace, can be procured and is commercially viable
- Financial Case - the proposed spend is affordable
- Management Case - what is required from all parties is deliverable

As set out in the Joint Committee Agreement, the Project Business Case shall include a Resolution of the Project Authority Lead and all Councils in whose area the project shall take place that they approve the submission of the Project Business case.

The Portfolio Management Office has day to day responsibility for managing the assessment and approval process for all City Deal projects.

To assist a speedier assessment process, the UK Government and Welsh Government have agreed an informal iterative review process for assessing business cases to assist Project Leads in the production of robust outline business cases which are appropriate for 5 case formal review process.

On completion of the final draft business case and following approval from the respective Regional/Project Authority Lead(s), business cases for each of the City Deal projects will undergo assessment by the Portfolio Management Office before being considered by the respective City Deal governance structures. After approval by the Joint Committee the project business case will be forwarded to the UK Government and Welsh Government for approval to release City Deal Government project funding to the Accountable Body. Following outline business case approval there is an expectation that all the SBCD project and programme business cases are developed as they progress into Full Business Case stage and reported through the SBCD Governance arrangements. A Business Case Update process has been developed and approved to facilitate this process.

Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015

The Swansea Bay City Deal demonstrates close alignment with the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015, as well as the seven well-being goals for Wales, which are at the core of the investment portfolio.

This is evidenced both at a portfolio business case level, as well as within business cases for the City Deal's constituent projects.

City Deal reports considered at both Portfolio Board and Joint Committee also demonstrate alignment with the legislation.

OGC Gateway™ Review 0: Strategic assessment

A Gateway 0 Strategic Assessment Review on the SBCD Portfolio was undertaken in July 2022. The Review awarded an Amber/Green Delivery Confidence Assessment rating with the following summary findings:

1. Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio has made significant progress in the past 12 months.
2. The establishment of a professional, well-resourced Portfolio Management Office has been key to the progress, as has the dedication and commitment of the SRO in evolving the governance arrangements.
3. It is also evident that the leadership of the individual programmes and projects has been key to successful delivery in these regards.
4. There is strong stakeholder support and optimism across all sectors and a commitment from the Joint Committee to spending wisely now that the funding has come on stream from UKG/WG.

The Amber / Green DCA rating states that Successful delivery appears probable. However, continual attention will be needed to ensure risks do not materialise into major issues that could threaten successful delivery of the Portfolio. It should be noted that the Delivery Confidence Assessment does not imply that all programmes and

projects within the portfolio discretely carry the same rating: they are subject to their own, more detailed Assurance via individual Gateway Reviews.

The Review Team makes a small number of recommendations in the areas of:

1. Business case development
2. Monitoring of costs and benefits across the portfolio
3. Increase access to PoMO intelligence for programmes and projects
4. Use of plain language and executive summaries in reporting

All of the recommendations of the Review team have been actioned as shown below.

Ref. No.	Recommendation	Urgency (C/E/R)	Target date for completion	Complete
1.	Ensure that individual Business Cases are maintained as live governance tools to keep pace with changing dynamics of the operating environment.	R - Recommended	End of December 2022	✓
2.	Embed active monitoring of costs across the Portfolio and map against the benefits profiles, to inform any downstream prioritisation or re-phasing options.	R - Recommended	End of December 2022	✓
3.	Increase access to PoMO intelligence and data for individual Projects, to facilitate proactive analysis and options planning, thus tightening the governance links and improving speed and quality of decision making.	R - Recommended	End of September 2022	✓
4.	Enhance the clarity of reports and communications through increased use of plain, clear language and executive summaries.	R - Recommended	End of September 2022	✓

Internal review

Project approval process and flow of funds

On completion of a final draft business case and following approval from the respective regional/project authority lead, business cases for each of the City Deal projects will undergo assessment by the Regional Portfolio Management Office before being considered by the respective City Deal governance structures. After regional approval by the Joint Committee, the project business case will undergo an external Stage Gate review before progressing to the UK Government and Welsh Government for Ministerial approval.

The flow of funds for the City Deal portfolio is set out in the financial section of this Portfolio Business Case.

Governance Assessment Process

Each Swansea Bay City Deal project has its own governance structure and management arrangements to oversee their development and delivery, which are outlined in their individual business case.

Portfolio level governance arrangements are also in place that each project will be expected to implement and provide updates on.

These include, but are not limited to:

- Implementation plan
 - Risk and issue management
 - Monitoring and evaluation
 - Benefits realisation
 - Community Benefits
 - Change control
- Dependencies and interdependencies
 - Escalation and reporting structures
 - Integrated Assurance and Approval Plan
 - Construction Impact Assessment
 - Procurement Pipeline Activity
 - Financial control and contingency management

Integrated Assurance and Approval Plan

This plan will ensure the planning, coordination and provision of assurance activities and approval points throughout the City Deal portfolio, proportionate to levels of project cost and risk. As well as a portfolio level IAAP, constituent projects will also feed into the overall plan. The IAAP is a live document that will be kept updated and actioned throughout the lifecycle of the City Deal portfolio.

Risk Management Arrangements

The Swansea Bay City Deal risk register logs risks both at a project and portfolio level. These include business, organisational and external risks. Each risk is updated periodically and reported to Portfolio Board where each risk details the description, owner, consequence and review update, accompanied by a scoring based on probability and impact.

Key business risks captured in a portfolio risk register include SBCD partner withdrawal, delays to project approval and funding draw down and portfolio delivery delays.

Following Portfolio Board review, the portfolio red risks and portfolio red issues, are considered by Joint Committee on a quarterly basis. These documents are also considered by Joint Scrutiny Committee at each of its meetings, which take place once every two months.

Organisational risks are captured in project specific risk registers.

The current portfolio risk register demonstrates risks of an operational, governance and financial nature with emphasis on the significant (red) risks, which are risks that will significantly impact the delivery of the portfolio. A summary of the current significant risks are demonstrated below:

Risk	Review Update/Control Actions
Slippage in delivery of programmes / projects against key milestones	Reprofiling exercise will follow 2022/23 in year slippage to determine accurate spend profiles and completion milestones. Project Leads have undertaken a refresher Change Management process training session with the PoMO. Project Leads to complete outstanding change notifications/requests asap.
Private sector funding contribution/s not realised in line with business case projections	Private Sector contribution report submitted to SBCD Governance Boards in April/May 2023. Private Sector contribution submissions now form part of quarterly monitoring as of July 2023 (Q1 2023/24). PoMO to produce an annual Private Sector Investment Status Report using Q4 monitoring in June 2024.
Increase in cost of construction	No change in forecast cost increases since Q3 2022/23 with a funding gap of £31m. Finance Manager to review inflationary impacts of forthcoming procurements.
WG 2021 update of Technical Advice Note (TAN) 15 development risk of flooding, coastal erosion and associated flood planning maps	Analysis of the consultation responses is now underway and there is a substantial amount of detailed work to be undertaken in analysing the responses. Given the size and complexity of the task in analysing the responses and making further changes to the TAN it is unlikely that the new version of the TAN will come into force before the end of this year.
Prog/Proj delivering all outputs and outcomes within the business case	Portfolio benefits profiles have been agreed with all programmes/projects. Other major programme/project benefits are being forecasted and will be reported via SBCD governance. Joint scrutiny Committee and partner Local Authority scrutiny committees are requesting more visibility on Benefits Realisation reporting.
Pressure on construction industry to meet demand of City Deal and other public sector procurements	Construction & Community Benefits Subgroup formed. Construction Impact Assessment and Funding Gap paper has been combined, which provides clearer oversight of increased costs once procurement activity completed.

Benefits Realisation Arrangements

The Swansea Bay City Deal headline benefits are at least a £1.8 billion boost to regional GVA and the creation of at least 9,000 high-value jobs.

The focus on the regional economy across the SBCD projects will also support regional supply chain businesses, with the City Deal's energy theme due to further accelerate the growth of the region's blue and green economies, helping meet regional, Wales and UK-wide decarbonisation targets.

As well as financial benefits, the City Deal will also lead to societal benefits. These include tackling fuel poverty, improving people's health and well-being, and creating more resilient communities and businesses.

The benefits realisation plan is made up from the constituent projects, where they are required to develop and submit a benefit's register as part of the business case submission. The approach to monitoring and evaluating the portfolio benefits features in the Portfolio's Monitoring and Evaluation Plan and are regularly reported at project and portfolio level at the Portfolio Board and Joint Committee governance groups.

Monitoring and evaluating the portfolio performance and impact will improve informed decision making and planning and risk management in order to deliver the widest possible benefits to the region and value for money. It will also create a culture of learning from doing and sharing.

The Portfolio SRO will oversee the vision, objectives and project governance arrangements, in conjunction with the Joint Committee and Portfolio Director, including the benefits realisation of the portfolio.

Post Implementation and Evaluation Arrangements

The Swansea Bay City Deal deliverables are aligned to SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and timebound) objectives. These will aid with the post evaluation at both project and portfolio level.

The objectives will be detailed in the tools adopted in the Monitoring and Evaluation Plan at both a portfolio and individual project level. Periodic reports and evaluations will be undertaken both at key project and portfolio milestones and at the end of the implementation stage. External stage gate reviews will form part of this process, along with regional reviews and assessments.

Action Plan of Portfolio Governance Issues July 2023

Governance Issues	Action	Target for Completion
<p>Monthly and quarterly monitoring reports are prepared and presented to the Joint Committee and the Programme (Portfolio) Board, providing a narrative update of Programme/Project Progress. The Progress/Reporting Dashboard provides Members with a high level summary of the progress of Programmes/Projects, and whether they are on track, along with key data such as the Portfolio Delivery Timeline, Risk Management, and Benefits Realisation data amongst other items. The Total Annual Investment is also submitted to Members. This process is supplemented by Highlight Reports, allowing members a summary update between quarterly reporting periods. It was noted that there is no direct connection between the financial status of Programmes/Projects and the overall status of Programmes/Projects. Whilst a RAG rating of the financial status is included at a summary level the detail provided relates to overall budgets rather than whether actual spend is in line with budgets, or whether grant drawn-down is in line with the forecasted funding profile. The detailing of parameters would also allow Members to understand the boundaries within each RAG rating is applied. Enhanced financial reporting would allow a greater correlation between activities and finances for each of the Headline Programmes/Projects. Testing identified that there is currently slippage in time recorded against the delivery date for nine Programmes/Projects. Whilst this is currently highlighted in terms of RAG rating, reporting could be enhanced by providing a narrative indication within the Quarterly Monitoring report as to the level of slippage when compared to the original planned timescale. This would provide Members with a greater insight into the progress of projects, and enable greater scrutiny on projects which are significantly behind target.</p>	<p>As each of the Programmes/Projects move into full delivery, quarterly monitoring reports presented to the Joint Committee and Programme (Portfolio) Board should be developed to incorporate enhanced financial monitoring, including whether expenditure is in line with forecasts and whether grant drawn-down is in line with the agreed funding profile. Reporting would also benefit from enhanced data regarding delivery timescales. This would provide correlation and synergy between project progress and financial reporting.</p>	<p>Q1 2023/24</p>
<p>A defined Change Control Procedure is in place, and has been approved by the Joint Committee. During 2022-23, the PoMO received three change notifications. Internal Audit were advised that a formal Programme/Project change request is also anticipated to be received.</p> <p>The Change Control Procedure states that “change control reporting will take place for all Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio change and include full summarisation for significant change and notification only of minor change”. Determination of ‘significant’ changes to Programmes/Projects has not been made within the Procedure, with the Portfolio Manager advising this would relate to an instance where any of the Portfolio benefits were impacted, or a substantial change in the required funding (for example 10%).</p>	<p>The change notification process (including potential baseline thresholds) should be clearly defined, to provide clarity to Programmes/Projects as to when they need to comply with the change notification process, and bring consistency across the Portfolio</p>	<p>Q2 2023/24</p>

<p>Change notifications are managed at Programme/Project level, with a requirement for the PoMO to be notified for reporting purposes. Thresholds for changes to cost/time/quality have not been formally defined, which could result in ambiguity within Programmes/Projects as to whether a change notification is required to be submitted to the PoMO. The introduction of baseline thresholds would enable a consistency in approach across all Programmes/Projects and support the PoMO in gathering the necessary Programme/Project intelligence data.</p>		
<p>The PoMO are monitoring the impact of the current financial climate on the Portfolio. Increase in Cost of Construction is recorded as a red risk on the Portfolio Risk Register, as is 'Pressure on Construction Industry to meet demand'. Five projects also detail construction risks within the latest Highlight Report.</p> <p>To ensure the Joint Committee remain apprised of the situation, the PoMO have introduced a Construction Impact Assessment Summary Report into the Quarterly Report which is submitted to Governance Boards. Joint Committee were advised in the November 2022 update that the PoMO had undertaken an assessment of the potential funding gap for the portfolio, following a request from the Programme (Portfolio) Board, and had identified a forecast funding gap of £31m as a result of inflation and increased construction costs. A detailed Construction Impact Assessment was also included as an appendix to the updated Business Case that was submitted to Joint Committee in April 2023.</p> <p>A detailed update to Programme (Portfolio) Board took place in November 2022. Review of the paper presented identified that potential mitigating actions have been documented, and a qualitative assessment undertaken against these. However, there was no detail recorded of the quantitative impact of the mitigations. Given the volatility on the market, and the impact this could have on the Portfolio, regular detailed updates should be provided. Additionally, further detail regarding the funding gap, and potential mitigations, should be provided to Joint Committee, to allow Members to be fully apprised of the mitigating actions being taken by the PoMO, Programmes and Projects.</p>	<p>Regular updates on the impact of the current financial climate should be tabled as standing agenda items for the Programme (Portfolio) Board to enable regular monitoring on the impact of the current climate on the Portfolio. This should include periodic updates to the financial assessment, and regular review of the mitigating actions developed to ensure they are deliverable, and achieving the intended benefit. Periodic updates on the forecast pressure and mitigating actions should also be provided to the Joint Committee, to keep them fully apprised of the matter.</p>	<p>Q1 2023/24</p>
<p>There has been a staffing change within the financial management arrangements for Swansea Bay City Deal during 2022-23, with the departure of the Finance Manager in November 2022. Following an unsuccessful recruitment exercise to replace the Finance Manager, temporary arrangements have been developed, with an Interim Officer appointed, who is supported by members of Carmarthenshire County Council's Finance team.</p> <p>The Joint Committee approved the five-year budget (2020-21 to 2024-25) for the administration and support functions of the Swansea Bay City Deal on 09 July 2020. Annual budgets are also presented to Joint Committee for approval. The 2022-23 budget was presented to the Programme (Portfolio) Board on 29 March 2022, and approved by the Joint Committee on 23 June 2022. At the time of the Internal Audit review a draft budget for the 2023-24 financial year had not been prepared. The 2023-24 draft budget is due to be presented to the Programme (Portfolio) Board on 16 May 2023. The 2022-23 financial year was the final year in which contributions were</p>	<p>The development of the Swansea Bay City Region budget for 2023-24 should be concluded at the earliest opportunity (recognising that a five-year budget has previously been approved by the Joint Committee). Moving forward, arrangements should be made to ensure that draft budgets are presented for approval prior to the start of the upcoming financial year.</p>	<p>July 2023</p>

<p>received from partner organisations to support the PoMO budget; with future years' budget to be funded via the top slice of grant funding.</p> <p>Budget monitoring reports are submitted to the relevant Governance Boards on a quarterly basis to inform members of the current financial position. At the time of the audit review, it was predicted that the overall position for the PoMO and Accountable Body budget had slipped into an in-year deficit of c.£80k, due to a slip in funding to projects, which in turn reduces the amount that can be drawn down from the top slice. The Joint Committee were reassured that this position would resolve itself in future years as funding to projects accelerates.</p>		
<p>Funding agreements stipulate that grant claims should be submitted by lead bodies on a quarterly basis, to allow funding to be distributed to programmes/ projects.</p> <p>Testing identified that only a small number of grant claim forms had been received during 2022-23; four in respect of Pembroke Dock Marine (one relating to Q4 2021-22 and three relating to Q1-Q3 2022-23) and one in respect of Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth (SILCG).</p> <p>Testing also identified that the grant claim forms are not always used consistently, when grant funding is transferred to Carmarthenshire County Council, with it identified that a grant claim form was used for one project, with a journal prepared and utilised for another. Assurance was provided, however, that the process details that both grant claim forms and journals are utilised.</p> <p>Review of the grant claim forms for Pembroke Dock Marine and SILCG identified that the incorrect amount of grant funding was paid to Pembrokeshire County Council (for Pembroke Dock Marine), for the quarter three grant claim form, due to the incorrect figure being used for the 'gross grant eligible for release' when compared to the revised payment profile. This resulted in an over payment to Pembrokeshire County Council of £318.5k when compared to the payment profile for 2022-23.</p> <p>The budget for PoMO and Accountable Body is supported by top slice funding of grant paid within each financial year; if insufficient grant funding is paid to Programmes/Projects within a financial year, there is a risk that sufficient top slice funding will not be generated to support the annual Portfolio Management Office budget. Whilst this risk will be alleviated in future years, as spending accelerates, it could place the in-year budgets in a precarious position through the usage of reserves to cover the short-term.</p>	<p>Grant claim forms should be used by all Programmes/Projects when requesting funding from Swansea Bay City Deal. Programmes/Projects in delivery should be advised that quarterly grant claims should be submitted, to allow funding to be distributed to lead bodies in a timely manner. Additionally, verification of the grant claim forms should be undertaken prior to payment being made, to ensure the total value of grant paid does not exceed the balances included within the payment profile.</p>	<p>Immediate</p>

The above governance issues will be monitored and assessed as part of the internal audit work undertaken on the City Deal and through the implementation of an Annual Governance Statement.

Certificate of Approval

Chair of Joint Committee Approval:

Signed: 

Date: 27th July 2022

Councillor Rob Stewart

Chair of Swansea Bay City Region Deal Joint Committee

Leader of City and County of Swansea Council



Senior Responsible Owner Approval:

Signed:

Date:

Wendy Walters

Chair of Swansea Bay City Deal Portfolio Board

Chief Executive, Carmarthenshire County Council



Glossary of Terms

The following section summarises expiation around the technical terminology demonstrated and included within the Financial Statements and accompanying narrative.

General Terms

Accrual

An accrual is a sum shown in our accounts to cover income or expenditure for the accounting period that was not paid at the date of the balance sheet.

Audit

An audit is an independent examination of our activities.

Audit Wales

An independent body lead by the Auditor General for Wales who is responsible for the appointment of external auditors to local authorities.

Balance

The surplus or deficit on any account at any point in time.

Balance Sheet

This is a statement of our assets, liabilities and other balances at the end of the financial year.

Budget

A budget is a spending plan, usually for the following financial year.

Capital Expenditure

Capital expenditure is spending on non-current assets such as Property, Plant and Equipment, Investment Properties and Heritage Assets. This would include the purchase or construction of new assets, together with subsequent expenditure on major maintenance or development work.

Capital Receipt

These are the sales proceeds from the disposal of land and buildings which are restricted in their use by statute. They can only be used to fund new capital expenditure or set aside to finance historic capital expenditure.

Creditor

A creditor is someone to whom money is owed at the end of the financial year for work done, goods received, or services rendered.

Current Assets

These are short-term assets that are available for us to use in the following accounting year.

Current Liabilities

These are short-term liabilities that are due for payment by us in the following accounting year.

Debtor

A debtor is someone who owes money to us at end of the financial year.

Depreciation

Depreciation is a method of allocating the cost of Property Plant and Equipment assets over their useful lives.

Employer Contributions

The employer contributions are the amounts actually paid by the employer during the year. They include any amounts paid in respect of early retirement strains and any recharges in respect of compulsory added years benefits.

Financial Year

This is the accounting period. For local authorities it starts on 1 April and finishes on 31 March in the following year.

Gross Expenditure

The total cost of providing the council's services before taking into account income, such as fees and charges for services etc.

IFRS*

International Financial Reporting Standard.

IFRIC*

International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee.

**The above two are accounting standards which provide a guideline for financial accounting.*

Liability

A liability is an amount due and payable at some time in the future.

National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR)

The NNDR, or Business Rate, is the charge occupiers of business premises pay to finance part of local Authority spending. The NNDR is set by Government and is a percentage of the rateable values. The percentage is the same throughout Wales. The total collected is split among individual authorities in proportion to their adult populations.

Net Realisable Value

The selling price of the asset reduced by the relevant costs of selling it.

Operating Leases

A means by which capital items are bought. These are leases where risks (and rewards) of ownership of the asset remain with the owner.

Pension Fund

The fund maintained to meet pension payments on the retirement of participants.

Property, Plant and Equipment

These are assets with a physical substance that are held for use in the production or supply of goods and services, for rental to others (as part of a service) or for administrative purposes. Any asset included in this category is expected to be used for more than one financial year.

Provision

Provisions are amounts set aside for liabilities or losses which are likely or certain to be incurred, but the amounts or the dates on which they will arise are uncertain.

Prudential Code

The Prudential Code is a professional code of practice to support local authorities in making capital investment decisions.

Public Works Loan Board (PWLb)

This is a Government agency that provides longer-term loans to local authorities. It charges interest rates only slightly higher than those at which the Government itself can borrow.

Reserve

Reserves are amounts set aside that do not fall within the definition of provisions and include general reserves (or 'balances') which every Authority must maintain as a matter of prudence.

Revenue Account

This is an account that records our day-to-day spending and income on items such as salaries and wages, running costs of services and the financing of capital expenditure.

Securities

These are investments such as stocks, shares and bonds.

Inventories

Inventories are raw materials purchased for day-to-day use. The value of those items not used at the end of the financial year is shown within current assets in the balance sheet.

Subjective Analysis

An analysis of income and expenditure according to type. Such expenditure headings include employee, premises and

transport expenses. Income includes government grants and fees and charges.

Variance

The difference between actual expenditure and budget - expressed in cash or percentage terms.



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The Swansea Bay City Deal is an alliance of four Regional Local Authorities governed by a legally constituted Joint Committee.

Agenda Item 14



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 27 July 2023

Swansea Bay City Deal Annual Report 2022-23

Purpose:	To seek approval from Joint Committee on the final version of the SBCD Annual Report April 2022-March 2023 attached at Appendix A
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee Agreement (JCA)
Consultation:	Programme (Portfolio) Board Joint Committee
Recommendation(s):	It is recommended that Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee: 1) Approves the Swansea Bay City Deal Annual Report.
Report Author:	Heidi Harries (SBCD Communications and Marketing Officer)
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 SBCD Annual Report for the SBCD Portfolio as at Appendix A, provides a summary of key activity for the last 12 months (April 2022 – March 2023) and a summary of the planned activity for the next 12 months.
- 1.2 The Annual Report will be sent to Joint Committee in July 2023 for approval.

2. Background

2.1 The SBCD Annual Report is made up of the following:

Item		Case Studies/Additional Pages	
1	Executive Summary / Introduction	1	Construction Costs Impact
2	Forewords (Rob, Wendy, Jon & Chris)	2	Awards
3	Portfolio Themes & Impact	3	Apprenticeships
4	Benefits Realisation update	4	Skills & Talent: Pilot projects
5	Portfolio Update	5	Pentre Awel: Test projects
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3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report

4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

5. Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

5.1 The SBCD Portfolio and its constituent projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual project business cases.

Background Papers: None

Appendices:

Annual report (English and Welsh versions):

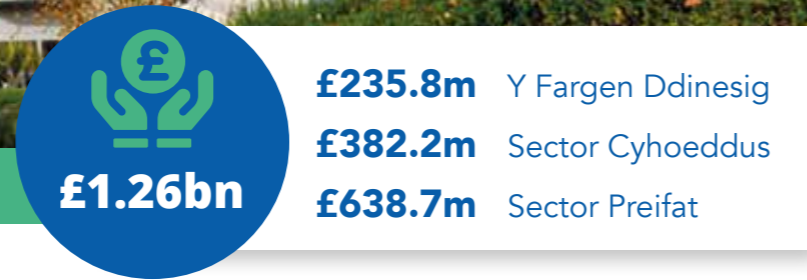
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Adroddiad Blynyddol y Portffolio **2022-23**





Crynodeb Gweithredol



Creu ein dyfodol gyda'n gilydd

Croeso i drydydd Adroddiad Blynyddol Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe (SBCD) sy'n rhoi crynodeb o fuddsoddiad unigryw gwerth £1.2 biliwn ar draws portffolio rhanbarthol yn cynnwys naw prif raglen a phrosiect.

Mae cyfanswm o 35 prosiect unigol ledled Sir Gaerfyrddin, Castell-nedd Port Talbot, Sir Benfro ac Abertawe yn rhan o'r Fargen Ddinesig.

Bydd y Portffolio uchelgeisiol yn darparu rhai buddion allweddol i'r rhanbarth dros ei gylch bywyd 15 mlynedd trwy::

- Creu dros 9,000 o swyddi mewn meysydd gan gynnwys ynni, gweithgynhyrchu, digidol, iechyd a llesiant, ymchwil a datblygu, addysg, manwerthu, hamdden a thwristiaeth.
- Helpu 14,000 o bobl i wella eu sgiliau, trwy 2,200 o gyfleoedd hyfforddi a thros 3,000 o brentisiaethau newydd.
- Cyfrannu £1.8-2.4 biliwn o Werth Ychwanegol Gros rhanbarthol (GVA).
- Trawsnewid De-orllewin Cymru yn lle sy'n rhoi cyfle i bawb, lle gall pobl fyw a gweithio, cael addysg, swyddi a gofal iechyd o safon a lle gall busnesau ffynnu.

Yn unol â thair thema cyflymu economaidd, ynni a gweithgynhyrchu clyfar, a gwyddor bywyd a llesiant, cymeradwywyd pob un o'r naw achos busnes gan Lywodraeth Cymru a Llywodraeth y DU, sy'n golygu bod y portffolio cyfan bellach yn cael ei ddarparu'n llawn.

Mae'r adroddiad hwn yn adlewyrchu uchelgais Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe ac yn crynhoi'r cerrig milltir allweddol dros y 12 mis diwethaf (Ebrill 2022 – Mawrth 2023). Mae'n darparu crynodebau cyfoes a statws pob prosiect a rhaglen, yn ogystal â chynnwys astudiaethau achos o gyflawniadau allweddol, y buddion a'r effaith a gyflawnir hyd yma, gweithgaredd cyfathrebu a marchnata, ymgysylltu â busnesau a chrynodeb ariannol.

Yn ogystal, mae'r adroddiad yn amlinellu rhai o'r gweithgareddau allweddol y disgwyliwn eu gweld yn cael eu cyflawni yn y flwyddyn ariannol rhwng Ebrill 2023 a Mawrth 2024.

Bydd y portffolio yn darparu:



Prif randdeiliaid Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe yw:



Themâu'r portffolio



Mae'r rhaglenni a'r prosiectau o fewn y Portffolio yn ymdrin â thair thema:

Cyflymu'r Economi

Darparu'r lle, y sgiliau a'r cysylltedd i yrru'r economi ranbarthol ymlaen i ddarparu cyfleoedd newydd i'n busnesau a'n cymunedau ffynnu.

- £296.3m** Buddsoddiad
- Gwerth Gros ychwanegol o **£1.08bn**
- 1,708** o swyddi newydd

Gwyddor bywyd a llesiant

Darparu datblygiadau integredig a fydd yn cyfuno cyfleusterau arloesi, ymchwil a dysgu arloesol thwf busnesau newydd a darparu gwasanaethau'n drawsnewidiol o fewn meysydd gwyddorau bywyd, iechyd, llesiant a chwaraeon

- £331.4m** Buddsoddiad
- Gwerth Gros ychwanegol o **£617m**
- 2,973** o swyddi newydd

Ynni, a Gweithgynhyrchu Clyfar

Rhoi'r rhanbarth ar flaen y gad o ran arloesi ym maes ynni a gweithgynhyrchu fel rhan o'r ymgyrch tuag at economi carbon isel a chryfhau'r sylfaen weithgynhyrchu bresennol.

- £628.9m** Buddsoddiad
- Gwerth Gros ychwanegol o **£687m**
- 5,005** o swyddi newydd



Y Cynghorydd Rob Stewart

Arweinydd Cyngor Abertawe
a Chadeirydd Cyd-bwyllgor
Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe



Eleni gwelwyd cynnydd sylweddol pellach drwy gydol y gwaith o gyflawni'r portffolio, twf parhaus a buddsoddiad ar draws ein rhanbarth, adferiad economaidd parhaus a chyflawni cerrig milltir allweddol pellach.

Rydym wedi parhau i adeiladu llwyddiant drwy ein gwaith cydweithredol, gyda'r pedwar awdurdod lleol, dau fwrdd iechyd a dwy brifysgol, a busnesau rhanbarthol yn cefnogi ei gilydd er mwyn i'n economi dyfu, ac rydym wedi gweld trawsnewidiad pellach ledled De-orllewin Cymru gyda llawer o brosiectau'n rhagori o ran cael eu darparu.

Yn ategu uchelgais y rhanbarthau ac amcanion buddsoddi'r Fargen Ddinesig, mae llawer o fentrau rhanbarthol eraill yn dwyn ffrwyth. Mae'r rhain yn cynnwys sawl corff ariannu Ffyniant Bro, cais llwyddiannus y Porthladd Rhydd Celtaidd, gan sicrhau ymrwymiad gan Skyline, Prosiect Eden Las a Chanolfan fyd-eang rhagoriaeth rheilffyrdd yng Nghymru.

Edrychaf ymlaen at 12 mis cyffrous arall ar gyfer Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe ac rwy'n teimlo'n freintiedig o fod yn rhan o'r daith wych sy'n siapia ein rhanbarth er gwell.



Wendy Walters

Prif Weithredwr Cyngor Sir
Caerfyrddin ac Uwchberchennog
Cyfrifol Bargen Ddinesig
Bae Abertawe



Fel Uwch-berchennog Cyfrifol Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe, rwy'n falch iawn o'r cynnydd sydd wedi'i wneud dros y 12 mis diwethaf. Mae'r portffolio wedi dathlu ei fod wedi'i gyflawni'n llawn ar ôl sicrhau'r holl gyllid gan Lywodraeth y DU a Llywodraeth Cymru yn ôl ar ddiwedd 2021.

Rydym wedi parhau i ymdrechu i greu swyddi, gwireddu dyheadau a thrawsnewid ein rhanbarth i'r lle perffaith i weithio a byw. Mae Arena Abertawe wedi bod ar agor am flwyddyn gyfan, gan groesawu dros 240,000 o ymwelwyr ac mae Canolfan Dechnoleg Bae Abertawe hefyd wedi croesawu ei thenantiaid cyntaf. Rydym wedi gweld Pentre Awel arloesol, Matrics Arloesi ac elfennau o brosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro, yn ogystal â gwaith adeiladu sylweddol ar Ffordd y Brenin. Mae'r tri phrosiect rhanbarthol hefyd yn datblygu'n dda ac mae pob un ohonynt yn dechrau cael effaith ar ein rhanbarth.

Rydym yn parhau i ddilyn trefniadau llywodraethu cadarn ac mae ein proses fonitro ac adrodd yn sicrhau bod pawb yn cael y wybodaeth ddiweddaraf am y datblygiadau diweddaraf. Rydym yn gweithio'n galed i adeiladu ar lwyddiant y 12 mis diwethaf a symud ymlaen gyda'n hymrwymiad i wella economi De-orllewin Cymru, gan greu dyfodol llewyrchus ar gyfer cenedlaethau i ddod.



Jonathan Burnes

Cyfarwyddwr Portffolio
Bargen Ddinesig
Bae Abertawe



Mae gwaith ymroddedig a chaled ein partneriaid rhanbarthol yn dechrau talu ar ei ganfed. Mae 2022-23 wedi bod yn llwyddiannus iawn. Rydym wedi gweld cyfres o geisiadau cynllunio yn cael eu dyfarnu, cychwyn y gwaith tir ar safleoedd allweddol ar draws y rhanbarth, tendrau'n cael eu datblygu, a chontractwyr yn cael eu penodi i fentrau blaenllaw, contractau'n cael eu dyfarnu i'r gadwyn gyflenwi leol, a phartneru rhwng darparwyr diwydiant a hyfforddiant i gynnig cyfleoedd i bobl ifanc ennill sgiliau gwerthfawr sy'n eu galluogi nhw i ddod yn rhan o'n gweithlu yn y dyfodol.

Adlewyrchir y momentwm o ran y ddarpariaeth yn ein gweithgarwch marchnata, cyfathrebu ac ymgysylltu â busnes cynyddol. Ond nid yw'r holl bositifrydd hyn yn golygu bod ein gwaith wedi ei wneud. Byddwn yn parhau i wella a gwthio i wireddu ein huchelgeisiau rhanbarthol. Gan ddenu contractwyr pellach ar gyfer dylunio ac adeiladu seilwaith, partneru â gweithredwyr i reoli'r cyfleusterau, datblygu partneriaethau a chydweithrediadau ar gyfer ymchwil a datblygu, mentrau arloesi a datblygu sgiliau, gweithio gyda busnesau, tenantiaid a phartneriaid i sicrhau ein bod yn diwallu eu hanghenion ar unwaith ac o ran twf ac yn bwysicaf oll yn dweud wrthyfch am y cyfleoedd anhygoel sydd gennym i'w cynnig yn y rhanbarth a chyda buddsoddwyr a chydweithredwyr ehangach.

Bydd Swyddfa Portffolio Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe yn parhau i gynnig gwasanaeth proffesiynol sy'n cefnogi partneriaid rhanbarthol a'r ddwy Lywodraeth i ddarparu buddion allweddol sy'n gwneud gwahaniaeth gwirioneddol i bobl a busnesau.



Chris Foxall

Cadeirydd Bwrdd
Strategaeth Economaidd
Bargen Ddinesig
Bae Abertawe



Mae'r Bwrdd Strategaeth Economaidd wedi bod yn rhan o flwyddyn brysur arall eto gan gefnogi, ehangu a chynghori'r Fargen Ddinesig gyda'r cyfle unwaith mewn cenedlaeth hwn i drawsnewid De-orllewin Cymru.

Rydym wedi cwrdd â sawl prosiect wyneb yn wyneb ac ar-lein dros y 12 mis diwethaf, gan ddefnyddio profiadau ein bwrdd mewn sectorau gan gynnwys Tai, Cyllid, Ynni, Gofal Iechyd, Gweithgynhyrchu a'r economi hydrogen. Rydym wedi darparu cyngor, arweiniad a chysylltiadau pwysig rhwng y sector cyhoeddus a'r sector preifat. Yn benodol, gwnaethom ddarparu cyngor i'r tîm Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer ar greu cartrefi ynni-effeithlon. Amlinellodd Seilwaith Digidol gynnydd y prosiect a chyfleoedd i fusnesau ledled y rhanbarth lle'r oeddem yn gallu gweld yn uniongyrchol rywfaint o'r gwaith pwysig a oedd yn cael ei wneud mewn partneriaeth â Sefydliadau'r Sector Preifat. Dysgom fwy am y baromedr bylchau sgiliau Sgiliau a Thalent a'r prosiect pilot Dynodi Ynni Adnewyddadwy.

Yn olaf, gwnaethom ymweld â phrosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro i gael diweddariad a thaith i weld y cynnydd a'r cyfleoedd helaeth sy'n gysylltiedig â Phorthladd Aberdaugleddau. Dylai Ardal Forol Doc Penfro helpu i sicrhau mwy o gyfleoedd o botensial enfawr ynni gwynt arnofiol alltraeth yn y môr Celtaidd. Byddwn yn parhau â'n rôl ymgynghorol dros y 12 mis nesaf ac edrychwn ymlaen at weld cynnydd pellach wrth i'r prosiectau symud ymlaen i'r cam cyflawni a gweithredu, a fydd yn gwneud y mwyaf o gyfleoedd i fusnesau o bob maint ar draws y rhanbarth.



Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer (HAPS)



£505.5m Buddsoddiad
£15.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£114.6m Sector Cyhoeddus
£375.9m Sector Preifat

Mae hwn yn brosiect arloesol a fydd yn hwyluso mabwysiadu technolegau dylunio ac adnewyddadwy sy'n effeithlon o ran ynni i gartrefi ar draws y rhanbarth – gan helpu i fynd i'r afael â thlodi tanwydd, lleihau allyriadau carbon rhanbarthol a chofnogi twf economaidd lleol.

Bydd cefnogi'r gwaith o ddatblygu cynlluniau adeiladu newydd ac ôl-ffitio cartrefi sy'n bodoli eisoes yn galluogi rhaglen o fonitro a chasglu data cynhwysfawr. Bydd cymorth ariannol i ddatblygu technolegau adnewyddadwy yn y rhanbarth yn sicrhau bod cadwyn gyflenwi leol gynaliadwy.



£251m
Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol

1,804
Swyddi a Grewyd

10,300 Cartrefi Newydd a Phresennol wedi'u Gosod gyda Technolegau Adnewyddadwy

10,417+ KWh
Arbed Ynni

19,000+ Tunelli o ostyngiadau CO₂ y flwyddyn

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Sefydlu trefniadau llywodraethu, gan gynnwys Bwrdd Prosiect Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer.
- Ffurfioli cynllun ymgysylltu â rhanddeiliaid a chreu cynllun gweithredu ar gyfer cyflawni prosiectau.

Chwarter 2

- Cytundeb Cyllido Sylfaenol wedi'i greu rhwng y Corff Atebol a Chyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot.
- Adolygiad Gateway Sicrwydd wedi'i gynnal gyda sgôr Ambr/Coch.
- Contract Monitro a Gwerthuso wedi'i hysbysebu ar Gwerthwch i Gymru.

Chwarter 3

- Cynllun Gweithredu Sicrwydd Gateway yn cael ei roi ar waith.
- Penodwyd Richard Lewis yn Gydgysylltydd Technegol.
- Dyfarnu'r contract Monitro a Gwerthuso i Brifysgol Caerdydd.
- Contractio Opus i gefnogi gyda gwaith Cadwyn Gyflenwi.

Chwarter 4

- Digwyddiad Cadwyn Gyflenwi wedi'i gynnal ym Mharc y Scarlets a ddaeth â Landlordiaid Cymdeithasol Cofrestredig a phobl ddylanwadol o'r pedwar Awdurdod Lleol at ei gilydd.
- Parhau i weithio gyda Llywodraeth y DU a Llywodraeth Cymru i sicrhau y manteisir i'r eithaf ar gyfleoedd y Rhaglen Ôl-osod er mwyn Optimeiddio ac ECO 4 Flex.
- £75,000 o gyllid wedi'i sicrhau gan y Cynllun Ardystio Microgynhyrchu (MCD) i gefnogi datblygu sgiliau gyda thechnolegau Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer cysylltiedig.
- Cwblhaodd Opus y gwaith ymgynghori Mapio Cadwyn Gyflenwi.
- Cadarnhau buddsoddiad cyhoeddus o £41m a buddsoddiad preifat o £1.4m ar gyfer 2022-23 drwy 187 o gartrefi newydd a 6 cartref ôl-osod.
- Gwaith paratoi pellach ar gyfer lansio'r Gronfa Cadwyn Gyflenwi a'r Gronfa Cymhellion Ariannol.



Sgiliau a Thalentau



£30.5m Buddsoddiad
£10.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£16.0m Sector Cyhoeddus
£4.5m Sector Preifat

Gan ganolbwyntio'n benodol ar feysydd twf yn y sectorau digidol, adeiladu, ynni, gweithgynhyrchu clyfar ac iechyd a llesiant, bydd y rhaglen yn darparu 2,200 o gyfleoedd sgiliau a datblygu ychwanegol, 14,000 o unigolion â sgiliau uwch ac o leiaf 3,000 o brentisiaethau newydd - a fydd yn cefnogi busnesau drwy ganiatáu iddynt dyfu a diogelu at y dyfodol drwy ddatblygu gweithlu talentog.

Drwy weithio ochr yn ochr â phartneriaid o'r sector preifat, addysg uwch ac addysg bellach, ysgolion a'r trydydd sector, bydd tîm y rhaglen yn nodi o bryd i'w gilydd fylchau yn y ddarpariaeth bresennol ac yn pennu'r newidiadau sydd eu hangen i ddatblygu cyrsiau a fframweithiau newydd i fodloni'r bylchau hyn o ran sgiliau. Mae prosiectau pilot yn cael eu datblygu a'u lleoli sy'n cyd-fynd ag anghenion diwydiant a themâu allweddol y Fargen Ddinesig.

2,200
Sgiliau Ychwanegol

14,000
Pobl wedi'u Uwchsgilio

3,000 Cyfleoedd Prentisiaeth Newydd

20 Cyrsiau a Fframweithiau Newydd

2+ Canolfannau Rhagoriaeth a Ddatblygwyd

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Cymeradwyo'r prosiect pilot cyntaf gan y Bartneriaeth Sgiliau a Dysgu Rhanbarthol (RSLP). Bydd Cyrchfan Ynni Adnewyddadwy, mewn partneriaeth â Choleg Sir Benfro a Chyngor Sir Penfro yn paratoi dysgwyr ar gyfer gyrfa yn y sector ynni adnewyddadwy.

Chwarter 2

- Cynhaliodd Coleg Sir Benfro ddigwyddiad ymgysylltu ar gyfer busnesau a myfyrwyr lleol sy'n cymryd rhan mewn Cyrchfan Ynni Adnewyddadwy.
- Cyrchfan Ynni Adnewyddadwy yn dechrau cyflawni.
- Pum prosiect pilot wedi'u cymeradwyo gan fwrdd y Bartneriaeth Dysgu a Sgiliau Ranbarthol gan gynnwys prosiect Codi Ymwybyddiaeth Carbon Isel a Charbon Sero Net, Sgiliau Gweithgynhyrchu Batris, Sgiliau'r 21ain Ganrif, pilot y Sector Digidol a'r prosiectau Meithrin Iechyd a Llesiant mewn Byd Digidol.

Chwarter 3

- Penodwyd Enfys Stallard yn Swyddog Perfformiad a Monitro Ansawdd a Leanne Roberts yn Swyddog Datblygu Sgiliau.
- Cyrchfan Ynni Adnewyddadwy yn ennill Gwobr Ynni Gwynt ar y Môr 2022 yng Ngwobrau Ynni Gwynt ar y Môr Renewables UK 2022 a chyrraedd y rownd derfynol yng Ngwobrau STEM Cymru 2022.
- Cynhaliodd Y Bartneriaeth Dysgu a Sgiliau Ranbarthol ddigwyddiad i lansio eu cynllun cyflogaeth a sgiliau rhanbarthol.

Chwarter 4

- Tri phrosiect pilot arall wedi'u cymeradwyo gan fwrdd y Bartneriaeth Dysgu a Sgiliau Ranbarthol gan gynnwys prosiectau Hyfforddiant Technolegau 5G Sgiliau Sero Net Cymru a How Green Was My Valley.
- Cwblhau Adolygiad Gateway Sicrwydd gan arwain at ail Sgôr Werdd yn olynol.
- Julian Lloyd wedi'i benodi'n Swyddog Prosiect Llwybr Gyrfaedd.



Seilwaith Digidol



£69.1m Buddsoddiad
£24.5m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£13.5m Sector Cyhoeddus
£31.1m Sector Preifat

Mae seilwaith digidol yn thema drawsbynciol trwy holl brosiectau a rhaglenni Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe. Mae'n hanfodol i gyflawni agendâu trawsnewid digidol partneriaid rhanbarthol, twf economaidd y rhanbarth a gwella cynhwysiant cymdeithasol.

Dim ond trwy gydweithio â diwydiant, llywodraeth a phartneriaid rhanbarthol y gellir cyflawni dyheadau'r rhaglen. Rhannu'r llwyddiannau a'r heriau, defnyddio data i wneud penderfyniadau a bod yn ystwyth o ran darparu.



Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Cymryd rhan yng Ngrŵp Mabwysiadwyr Cynnar DCIA Cenedlaethol Llywodraeth y DU i gael cipolwg ar y gwersi a ddysgwyd a'r arfer gorau sy'n deillio o gynlluniau peilot cenedlaethol.
- Cefnogi'r defnydd o seilwaith digidol ar asedau sy'n eiddo i'r sector cyhoeddus.
- Gosod Pwrth LoRaWAN rhanbarthol wedi dechrau, gan greu Rhwydwaith Arloesi Digidol Rhanbarthol y gall partneriaid yn y sector cyhoeddus a phreifat ei ddefnyddio i dreialu a phrofi cymwysiadau Rhyngrwyd Pethau (IoT).
- Cyhoeddiadau buddsoddi sector preifat rhanbarthol sylweddol wedi'u gwneud gan Openreach ac Ogi.

Chwarter 2

- Cychwyn gwaith ymgysylltu cyn y farchnad gydag adeiladwyr ffibr i brofi dull arfaethedig o ddarparu cysylltedd ffibr i safleoedd ac asedau'r sector cyhoeddus ar draws y rhanbarth.
- Lansio ymgynghoriad i nodi cyfleoedd i fanteisio ar seilwaith digidol ar draws y rhanbarth i lywio portffolio digidol rhanbarthol.



Band eang
ffwell i bawb...
heb adael neb
ar ôl.



Rhanbarth **SMART**
sy'n barod ac yn gallu
arloesi a mabwysiadu
technolog sy'n dod i'r
amlyg.



Tirwedd ddigidol
gynhwysol sy'n
diwallu anghenion
pawb.

Chwarter 3

- 100k o gyllid ychwanegol wedi'i ddyrannu i ehangu'r Rhwydwaith Arloesi Digidol Rhanbarthol.
- Cychwyn oedi ac adolygu ffrwd waith Lleodd Cysylltiedig yn dilyn cyhoeddi hygyrchedd ffibr ar draws y rhanbarth gyda'r nod o sicrhau'r gwerth gorau am arian cyhoeddus.
- Cwblhau ymarfer recriwtio adnoddau a gynhelir gan yr Awdurdod Lleol ar gyfer ein ffrydiau gwaith Gwledig a Di-wifr y Genhedlaeth Nesaf.

Chwarter 4

- Gwireddu buddion wedi'i gwblhau ar gyfer 2021-22 a gadarnhaodd fuddsoddiad cyhoeddus a phreifat sylweddol o oddeutu £7.6m a £21.8m yn y drefn honno.
- Ymarfer oedi ac adolygu ynghylch llyf gwaith Lleodd Cysylltiedig wedi'i gwblhau gan nodi'r llwybrau cyflawni mwyaf
- priodol ar gyfer symud ymlaen â gwariant cyfalaf.
- Sefydlu cynlluniau ac amserlenni ar gyfer buddsoddiad sylweddol y Rhwydwaith Gwledig a Rennir (SRN) ar draws y rhanbarth gan weithio gyda Llywodraeth y DU a Llywodraeth Cymru.

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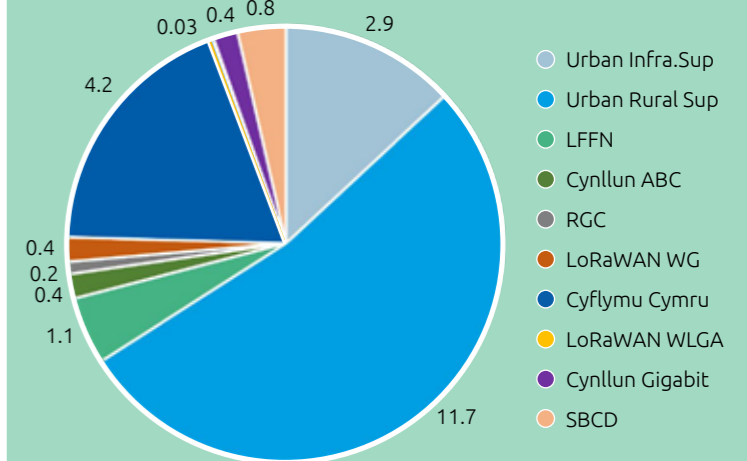
- Lobio cyflenwyr a'r llywodraeth ac ymgysylltu â nhw.
- Hwyluso'r gwaith arfaethedig rhanbarthol o adeiladu ffeibr gan bartneriaid yn y sector preifat.
- Adolygu'r cwrpas band eang Gigabit a ragwelir ochr yn ochr â Llywodraeth Cymru a gwneud penderfyniadau ar ein gwaith caffael o ran band eang cyflym iawn gwledig.

Gwella Cysylltedd ar gyfer De-orllewin Cymru

Ar ôl cwblhau'r broses o wireddu buddion ar gyfer y flwyddyn ariannol 2021-22, a ddigwyddodd yn 2022-23, dangoswyd bod y rhaglen eisoes wedi rhagori wrth fodloni disgwyliadau buddsoddi.

- Dywedon ni y byddem yn darparu **£2.5m o Fuddsoddiad yn y Sector Cyhoeddus**, a gwnaethom gyflawni **£7.6m** mewn gwirionedd.
- Dywedon ni y byddem yn darparu **£0m o Fuddsoddiad yn y Sector Preifat**, a gwnaethom gyflawni **£14.56m** mewn gwirionedd.
- Dywedon ni y byddem yn darparu **buddsoddiad rhanbarthol Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe gwerth £0.5m**, a gwnaethom gyflawni **£0.5m** mewn gwirionedd.

Crynodeb o'r buddsoddiad (£m)



O ganlyniad i'r buddsoddiad hwn ym mis Mai 2022:

- Roedd y rhanbarth yn uwch na chyfartaledd Cymru ar gyfer cysylltedd ar gyfradd gigabit.
- Roedd y rhanbarth yn gyfartal â gweddill cyfartaledd y DU ar gyfer cysylltedd cyflym iawn.
- Erbyn hyn mae gan dros **100,000** o safleoedd ychwanegol ar draws y rhanbarth fynediad i gysylltedd gigabit.
- Gwella cwrpas 4G ar draws y rhanbarth gyda phob un o'r pedwar awdurdod yn uwch na chyfartaledd Cymru a'r DU ar gyfer canran cwrpas 4G ar draws y 4 darparwr rhwydwaith.

£318.8m
Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol

10+
Prosiect Band Eang Cymunedol

200+ o Safleoedd Sector Cyhoeddus
wedi'u huwchraddio i ffeibr llawn

250+ o byrth Rhyngrwyd Pethau
wedi'u defnyddio





Yr Egin



£25.2m Buddsoddiad
£5.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£18.5m Sector Cyhoeddus
£1.7m Sector Preifat

Clwstwr digidol a chreadigol yw Canolfan S4C Yr Egin, ym Mhrifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant yng Nghaerfyrddin.

Mae gan yr adeilad eiconig awditoriwm, cysylltodd cyfym iawn, llecynnau swyddfa o'r radd flaenaf a chyfleusterau ôl-gynhyrchu ar gyfer gweithgareddau proffesiynol a chymunedol. Mae'r darlledwr Cymraeg S4C yn un o denantiaid yr Egin ac mae nifer o gwmnïau creadigol wedi cydlooli yn y ganolfan, gyda graddfa feddiannaeth o dros 90% ar bob adeg. Nod Yr Egin yw bod yn gatalydd ar gyfer cymuned clwstwr creadigol, ysbrydoli cydweithio, datblygu talent, a gwella statws y Gymraeg.

Bydd Cam 2 Yr Egin, sydd ar ddod, yn cefnogi sector y diwydiant creadigol yn y rhanbarth ymhellach, a rhagwelir y bydd yn ymwneud â darparu Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Digidol.

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Cynhaliodd y Brifysgol Astudiaeth Galw'r Sector Creadigol gyda'r canfyddiadau'n cael eu hadrodd i'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio (PoMO) a dechreuodd Proses Nodi Newid yn ffurfiol ar gyfer Cam 2 Yr Egin.

Chwarter 2

- Gwnaeth tîm mewnol Prifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant gwrdd i drafod y strategaeth gyflawni sy'n ofynnol yn dilyn Astudiaeth Galw'r Sector Creadigol.
- Ymunodd S4C a Phrifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant â phrosiect LocalMotion Caerfyrddin sy'n bwriadu creu'r dref hapusaf a mwyaf llewyrchus yng Nghymru.

Chwarter 3

- Datblygodd tîm mewnol Prifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant strategaeth gyflawni newydd ar gyfer Cam 2.
- Gŵyl Cyfryngau Rhyngwladol gyntaf Cymru wedi'i chynnal yn Yr Egin.
- S4C wedi dathlu 40 mlynedd o ddarlledu.

Chwarter 4

- Ymgysylltodd y Brifysgol ag ymgynghorwyr arbenigol i ddatblygu cynnig ar gyfer Cam 2 a oedd yn canolbwyntio ar ddarparu Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Digidol mewn man presennol yn y Brifysgol.
- Roedd Cam 1 yn cynnal lefel deiliadaeth o 95%. Ymhlith y tenantiaid roedd S4C, Atebol, Boom Cymru, Carlam, Moilin, Rural Office, Stiwdioibox a Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru.



Campysau



£130.9m Buddsoddiad
£15.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£58.5m Sector Cyhoeddus
£57.4m Sector Preifat

Bydd y prosiect Campysau yn cyflwyno dwy fenter ategol; un wedi'i lleoli ar Gampws Singleton ym Mhrifysgol Abertawe ac un yn Ysbyty Treforys, yn ychwanegu gwerth at y sectorau gwyddor bywyd, iechyd a chwaraeon rhanbarthol.

Bydd cyfleusterau ymchwil a datblygu uwch yn cael eu creu. Bydd cydweithio rhwng ymchwil academiaidd, diwydiant a'r GIG yn rhoi'r prosiect hwn ar flaen y gad o ran technolegau newydd i wella gofal iechyd, gan greu cyfleoedd ar gyfer cwmnïau gwyddorau bywyd a thechnoleg chwaraeon newydd a chreu swyddi medrus iawn i bobl yn y rhanbarth.



£150m Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol



1,120 Swyddi a Grewyd



2,000m² Lle Ymchwil ar gyfer gwyddor bywyd a thechnoleg chwaraeon



700m² Canolfan Cydweithio Masnachol ac Academiaidd



300+ Cyfleoedd Mewnffuddsoddi



100+ Arloesi a Chyfleoedd Masnachol

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Cynhaliwyd asesiad ecolegol ar safle Singleton a gwnaed cost ddiwygiedig amcangyfrifedig ar gyfer adeiladu o'r newydd.
- Yn dilyn Adolygiad Gateway ym mis Gorffennaf 2021 aethpwyd i'r afael â'r argymhellion, gydag wyth cam gweithredu wedi'u cwblhau a thri yn parhau. Bydd y tri cham gweithredu sy'n mynd rhagddynt yn parhau i fod ar agor drwy gydol y prosiect a byddant yn cael eu hadolygu'n barhaus ar adegau rheolaidd.

Chwarter 2

- Ymwelodd Vaughan Gething, Gweinidog yr Economi Llywodraeth Cymru, â Champws Singleton Prifysgol Abertawe i gwrdd â rhanddeiliaid allweddol a dysgu mwy am y prosiect.
- Penodwyd Clare Henson yn Rheolwr Prosiect a Sara Merrells yn Swyddog Prosiect.
- Adolygiad o Gytundeb Cyllido Sylfaenol a ddrafftwyd rhwng Cyngor Abertawe a Phrifysgol Abertawe.

Chwarter 3

- Penodwyd Alex Evans yn Rheolwr Datblygu Busnes a Chyfathrebu.
- Briff dylunio Canolfan Rheoli Safle Treforys wedi'i gymeradwyo gan Brifysgol Abertawe.

Chwarter 4

- Parhaodd trafodaethau rhwng Prifysgol Abertawe a Chyngor Abertawe ar y Cytundeb Cyllido, gyda'r gwelliannau terfynol yn cael eu hadolygu cyn rhoi cymeradwyaeth.
- Penododd Prifysgol Abertawe dîm dylunio amlddisgyblaethol ar gyfer yr adeilad newydd ar safle Singleton.
- Rhoddydwyd cyfarwyddyd i gynnal arolwg ecoleg ar ffordd fynediad Treforys.





Pentre Awel



£200.5m Buddsoddiad
£40.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£52.3m Sector Cyhoeddus
£108.2m Sector Preifat

Gan gyfuno ymchwil gwyddor bywyd, cyfleusterau datblygu busnes, gofal iechyd cymunedol, byw gyda chymorth a chanolfan hamdden a gweithgareddau ddiwydiol o'r radd flaenaf, bydd Pentre Awel yn Llanelli yn cynhyrchu y datblygiadau cyntaf o'i fath.

Bydd cyfleusterau addysg a hyfforddiant yn ganolbwynt i'r prosiect a bydd yn canolbwyntio ar hyfforddi'r genhedlaeth nesaf o weithwyr proffesiynol ym maes gofal iechyd.



LLANELLI - SIR GAERFYRDDIN - CYMRU

Pentre Awel

LLANELLI - CARMARTHENSHIRE - WALES

£467m
Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol

1,853
Swyddi a Grewyd

50,000m² o ddatblygiad
ar draws y pedwar Parth

12,000m² i fusnesau, ymchwil,
addysg, clinigol ac ir gymuned

80 o Fusnesau Gwyddor Bywyd
wedi'u Sefydlu/Cefnogi

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Partneriaeth strategol gyda Phrifysgol Caerdydd (CU) wedi'i sefydlu i arwain ar y swyddogaethau arloesi a datblygu busnes.
- Tîm wedi'i sefydlu i ystyried sut y gellir defnyddio'r gofod awyr agored i gyd-fynd ag amcanion y prosiect sef hybu iechyd, atal a hwyluso annibyniaeth.
- Cymeradwyo'r Cais Materion a Gedwir yn ôl gan y Pwyllgor Cynllunio. Arolygon Ymchwilio Tir ac Ecoleg wedi'u cynnal.
- Ymgysylltodd Bouygues UK (BYUK) â sefydliadau lleol i gynllunio rhaglen o fuddion cymunedol, gan ganolbwyntio ar recriwtio a hyfforddi, cadwyn gyflenwi, ysgolion ac ymgysylltu â'r gymuned.
- Wedi caffael dylunio a datblygu parth 3, y lle byw â chymorth ac ehangu busnes.

Chwarter 2

- Ymwelodd David T C Davies, Gweinidog Llywodraeth y DU â'r safle i gwrdd â phartneriaid allweddol.
- Cwblhaodd BYUK weithgareddau allweddol cyn y gwaith adeiladu a dosbarthu eu llythyr newyddion cymunedol cyntaf, hyrwyddo'r cynllun llysgenhadon cymunedol, ac ymgysylltu â dros 700 o ddisgyblion mewn ysgolion lleol.
- Dechreuodd y prosiect ymchwil cyntaf – partneriaeth gyda fferyllfa leol a'r Scarlets i ddechrau ysgogi gweithgareddau ymchwil a datblygu prawf o gysyniad.
- Ymarfer mapio Addysg, Sgiliau a Hyfforddiant wedi'i gwblhau gan gynnwys gwaelodlin y ddarpariaeth cwrs/rhaglen gyfredol mewn meysydd pwnc perthnasol. Bydd hyn yn nodi darpariaeth ychwanegol sydd ei hangen i sicrhau staffio cynaliadwy a helpu i fynd i'r afael â heriau recriwtio/cadw yn yr ardal ehangach.

Chwarter 3

- Dechrau gwaith galluogi yn cynnwys strided safle a draeniau newydd.
- Roedd gan Brifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant Femorandwm Cyd-ddealltwriaeth i ddarparu sgiliau a hyfforddiant ym Mhentre Awel a chanolbwyntio ar ddatblygu'r achos busnes i sicrhau darpariaeth gynaliadwy i ddiwallu anghenion.
- Trafodaethau Ymchwil ac Arloesi wedi'u cynnal gyda'r tair prifysgol a Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Hywel Dda i osod y paramedrau ar gyfer datblygu ymchwil ac arloesi.

Chwarter 4

- Rhaglen cyn-adeiladu wedi'i chwblhau, a chytundeb adeiladu wedi'i gymeradwyo gan Gyngor Llawn CSC. Digwyddiad arloesol gydag Ysgrifennydd Gwladol Cymru Llywodraeth y DU.
- Digwyddiad Cwrdd â'r Contractwr wedi'i gynnal ar gyfer preswylwyr, gan ddechrau cyfres o gymorthfeydd galw heibio misol.
- Canlyniadau BYUK ar gyfer recriwtio a hyfforddiant wedi'u pennu gydag isafswm o 4,680 o wythnosau person i'w cyflawni. Yn ystod y cyfnod cyn-adeiladu, darparodd BYUK 1000+ o sesiynau rhyngweithio â disgyblion, 30 awr o ymgysylltiad STEM a chroesawyd 350 o ddisgyblion i'w Believe Academy.
- Cynllun Gweithredu ac Asesiad o Effaith yr Iaith Gymraeg wedi'u datblygu i sicrhau bod effaith gadarnhaol ar ddefnydd a hygyrchedd y Gymraeg.
- Enillydd Gwobr Cynaliadwyedd BYUK 2023 am arbed dros 77,600kg o Garbon Deuocsid yn cael ei rhyddhau ar y safle dros gyfnod o 15 wythnos.



Trwy'r prosiect Pharmabees y mae'r ysgol yn gweithio arno gyda Phentre Awel, mae'r arbenigedd y mae'r ymchwilwyr wedi'i gyflwyno i'r ystafell ddosbarth wedi bod yn ddylanwadol. Rydym yn falch bod ein plant yn cyflwyno mewn cynadleddau i academyddion am bi-adweithyddion, bioamrywiaeth, newid yn yr hinsawdd, micro-blastigau ar eu traeth lleol, a phriodweddau gwrth-ganser mêl y gwenyn yn ein cwch gwenyn! Mae'r bartneriaeth hon wedi ysbrydoli llawer o blant i ddod yn wyddonwyr ac i astudio am radd.

Joe Cudd
Dyfyniad, Ysgol Pen Rhos

Rhaglen Pharmabees

Gan adeiladu ar y prosiect Cyflymu a chefnogi bioamrywiaeth yn Llanelli, bu Prifysgol Caerdydd yn gweithio gydag Ysgol Pen Rhos a'r cyngor i greu cynefinoedd sy'n denu pryfed peillio. Gosodwyd cwch gwenyn yn yr ysgol ac roedd y plant yn cymryd rhan mewn gweithgareddau a oedd yn cefnogi bioamrywiaeth, gwelliannau amgylcheddol ac o fewn y man gwyrdd ehangach, darparu cyfleoedd i'w teulu dreulio amser ym myd natur.

Astudiaeth Covid Hir

Fel prosiect prawf o gysyniad, daeth Prifysgol Caerdydd o hyd i gyllid i gefnogi astudiaeth feddygol i brofi manteision therapi ocsigen hyperbarig ar Covid hir. Roedd siambr Ocsigen hyperbarig wedi'i lleoli o fewn canolfan hyfforddi Rygbi'r Scarlets, cafodd cleifion eu nodi gan fferyllfa leol a chafodd rhaglen driniaeth ei llunio. Dyluniwyd y treial hwn i brofi cydweithio preifat/cyhoeddus/academaidd.

Gwneud Llefydd argyfer Natur

Partneriaeth academaidd a menter sy'n ceisio gweithio gyda'r gymuned gyfagos i gyd-gynhyrchu cynlluniau ar gyfer gwella ansawdd a mynediad i fannau naturiol. Nododd y broses gyd-gynhyrchu nifer o argymhellion allweddol i greu gofod awyr agored mwy cynhwysol a hygyrch sy'n blaenoriaethu iechyd a llesiant aelodau'r gymuned a chadwraeth yr amgylchedd naturiol.





Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel



£59.6m Buddsoddiad
£48.3m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£5.8m Sector Cyhoeddus
£5.5m Sector Preifat

Bydd y rhaglen hon yn darparu saith prosiect sy'n cefnogi swyddi a thwf yn y sectorau technoleg ac arloesi carbon isel.

1. Mae Canolfan Dechnoleg y Bae (BTC) yn darparu swyddfa hyblyg a labordai.
2. Cyfleuster ymchwil datgarboneiddio diwydiannol yw Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru (SWITCH).
3. Mae'r Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch yn darparu cyfleusterau hybrid, unedau cynhyrchu a gofod swyddfa ar y cyd ag adeilad prentisiaid.

4. Mae'r Gronfa Datblygu Eiddo (PDF) yn cynnwys £4.5m o gyllid llenwi bwlch gyda'r nod o annog datblygiad yn ardal Glannau Port Talbot.
5. Datblygu Strategaeth Gwefru Cerbydau Allyriadau Isel ar gyfer ardal Castell-nedd Port Talbot.
6. Bydd y Prosiect Monitro Ansawdd Aer yn profi synwryddion cost isel amgen i asesu ansawdd aer a llygredd.
7. Bydd y Prosiect Ysgogiad Hydrogen yn galluogi trydan adnewyddadwy sydd dros ben o Ganolfan Dechnoleg y Bae i gael ei drawsnewid i danwydd hydrogen ar gyfer cerbydau.

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Morgan Sindall, y contractwr adeiladu ar gyfer Canolfan Dechnoleg y Bae yn ennill dwy wob: Gwobr Sero Net mewn Adeiladu Rhagoriaeth Cymru (CEW) 2022 a'r Wobr Gynaliadwyedd yng Ngwobrau Eiddo Insider Cymru 2022.
- Rhyddhau manylion ar sut y gall cwmnïau lleol gael mynediad i'r Gronfa Datblygu Eiddo a fydd yn helpu busnesau i ehangu yn y rhanbarth trwy amrywiol welliannau i'r seilwaith.
- Ymarfer mapio pob lleoliad Sero Allyriadau Cerbydau mewnol, allanol a chyhoeddus

Chwarter 2

- Trosglwyddo Canolfan Dechnoleg y Bae o Morgan Sindall i Castell-nedd Port Talbot a'r ddau denant cyntaf yn cymryd meddiannaeth. Adeilad yn ennill Prosiect Eiddo Masnachol y Flwyddyn yng ngwobrau Diwydiant Adeiladu Prydain (BCI) 2022.
- Tendr wedi'i bostio ar eDendro ar gyfer Dylunio ac Adeiladu prosiect Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru.
- Ras Gyfnewid Baton y Frenhines yn pasio Canolfan Hydrogen Parc Ynni Bae Baglan.

Chwarter 3

- Archwiliad mewnol Castell-nedd Port Talbot wedi'i gynnal gyda chanlyniad o 'Sicrwydd Sylweddol' – y sgôr uchaf y gellir ei chyflawni ar gyfer y Rhaglen.
- Fideo hyrwyddo Canolfan Dechnoleg y Bae wedi'i recordio a'i ryddhau.
- Diwrnod agored ar gampws Bae Prifysgol Abertawe a SAMI i ddarparu gontractwyr weld cyfleusterau ac offer i gael gwell dealltwriaeth o'r gofynion ar gyfer cyfleuster Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru.
- Dadansoddw'r Data wedi'i recriwtio ar gyfer Prosiect Monitro Ansawdd Aer i werthuso data a llywio mentrau gwella yn y dyfodol o ran ansawdd aer.
- Gwerth £12.5m o geisiadau ar gyfer grant y Gronfa Datblygu Eiddo gwerth £4.5m.
- Prosiect Ysgogi Hydrogen, cytundeb cyllido rhwng CNPT a USW wedi'i ddatblygu.

Chwarter 4

- Cwblhau'r llythyr indemniad gyda Phrifysgol Abertawe ar gyfer Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru.
- Cau ceisiadau Cam 1 ar gyfer y Gronfa Datblygu Eiddo.
- Penodi ymgynghorwyr Ricardo i ymgymryd â gweithgareddau Prosiect Monitro Ansawdd Aer, blwyddyn 2.
- Dechrau proses gaffael y Rhaglen Ysgogiad Hydrogen ar gyfer yr offer electroleiddio.
- Cynhaliodd Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch gyfarfodydd ymgysylltu â'r farchnad gyda'r diwydiant, y byd academiaidd a Llywodraeth Cymru

Canolfan Dechnoleg y Bae

Wedi'i hadeiladu gan Morgan Sindall a'i lleoli ym Mharc Ynni Bae Baglan y mae'r gofod swyddfa a labordy modern hwn sy'n adeilad ynni-effeithlon - y cyntaf o'r fath yng Nghymru.

Cyfnod talu'n ôl cyflymach o **7.8 blwyddyn**

Wedi'i modelu'n ddigidol

Panelli ffotofoltäig wedi'u hintegreiddio i ffasâd yr adeilad

Perfformiad ynni yn rhagori ar y rheoliadau adeiladu o **281%**

Gwelliant o **42%** mewn effeithlonrwydd dŵr o'i gymharu â llinell sylfaen BREEAM 2018.

Wedi'i hamgylchynu gan **407m²** o goetir gwlyb

2,500 metr sgwâr o swyddfa hyblyg a gofod labordy

Adeiladu ar amser ac o fewn y gyllideb

Mae gan Ganolfan Dechnoleg y Bae bum tenantiaeth eisoes, gan gynnwys Crossflow Energy, arbenigwr technoleg ynni adnewyddadwy blaenllaw o Gymru sydd wedi symud i'r safle.

“ Ein nod yw helpu busnesau ledled y byd i ddefnyddio pŵer 'gwynt bach' i'w cefnogi nhw wrth gyflwyno atebion ynni glân a dibynadwy. Nawr mae gennym eiddo sy'n ein galluogi i wneud yn ogystal â dweud. Mae'n ardal newydd ar gyfer Crossflow Energy, ac erbyn hyn mae gennym sylfaen sy'n bodloni ein huchelgeisiau cynaliadwy ein hunain. **Martin Barnes** CEO at Crossflow Energy ”



Mae'r prosiect hwn yn cael ei ariannu'n rhannol gan Gronfa Datblygu Rhanbarthol Ewrop drwy Lywodraeth Cymru.



Ardal Ddigidol Dinas Abertawe a'r Glannau



£171.5m Buddsoddiad
£50.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£84.7m Sector Cyhoeddus
£36.9m Sector Preifat

Cyda'r nod o yrru datblygiad a thwf economaidd rhanbarthol a dinesig, mae'r rhaglen hon yn cynnwys:

1. Datblygiad Arena Abertawe yn ardal cam un Bae Copr gwerth £135m yng nghanol y ddinas.
2. Datblygiad swyddfa o'r radd flaenaf yn 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin sy'n darparu lle ar gyfer 600 o swyddi, amgylcheddau cydweithio hyblyg a gogfod swyddfa ar gyfer y sectorau technoleg a digidol arloesol. Bydd yn adeilad carbon sero-net pan fydd ar waith.
3. Datblygiadau Matrics Arloesi a Rhodfa Arloesi wedi'u cyflawni gan Brifysgol Cymru y Drindod Dewi Sant, gyda'r bwriad o gynnal busnesau newydd a meithrin entrepreneuriaeth trwy gysylltiadau agos â'r byd academaidd.

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Enillodd Tîm Y Tu Hwnt i Frics a Morter, Cyngor Abertawe, wobwr canmoliaeth arbennig yng Nghynllun GO Awards ar draws y DU am eu gwaith ar yr Arena.
- Gwaith capio seilbyst, draenio a pharatoi wedi parhau yn 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin.
- Cymeradwyaeth gynllunio wedi'i dderbyn a dyluniad cam 4 wedi'i gwblhau i raddau sylweddol ar gyfer y Matrics Arloesi. Cynhaliodd Kier Group ddigwyddiad Cwrdd â'r Prynwr.
- Dylunio Cam 3 y Matrics Arloesi wedi'i gwblhau.

Chwarter 2

- 100,000 o docynnau wedi'u gwerthu yn yr Arena gan gynnwys John Bishop, Alice Cooper a Kaiser Chiefs.
- Lefelau slabiau gwaelodol wedi'u cwblhau a gwaith arllwys wedi dechrau yn 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin.

Chwarter 3

- 145,000 o docynnau wedi'u gwerthu yn yr Arena a Thîm Y Tu Hwnt i Frics a Morter, Cyngor Abertawe wedi cwblhau data buddion.
- Bouygues UK yn croesawu myfyrwyr Peirianeg Sifil o Brifysgol Abertawe i 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin
- i ddysgu am adeiladu, a'r cyfleoedd gyrfa sydd ar gael.
- Drafftiodd PCDDS gam cyntaf yr Hysbysiad Cais am Newid ar gyfer y Rhodfa Arloesi a oedd yn edrych ar adnewyddu adeilad presennol yng nghanol y ddinas.
- Contract adeiladu Matrics Arloesi wedi'i drafod a'i gytuno.

Chwarter 4

- Arena Abertawe yn dathlu ei phen-blwydd yn 1 oed.
- Gwaith ar ddyluniad a raglen y gwesty'n parhau.
- Adeiladu yn unol â'r amserlen ar gyfer 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin gyda gwaith tir wedi'i gwblhau. Trefnodd Cyngor Abertawe daith i annog plant i ystyried gyrfa ym maes adeiladu a pheirianeg.
- 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin wedi cyrraedd rownd derfynol Gwobrau Cynaliadwyedd Bouygues UK 2023.
- Matrics Arloesi wedi dechrau ar y safle.
- Datblygu dyluniad Rhodfa Arloesi wedi dechrau.

Arena Abertawe: 1 flwyddyn o weithredu



Bron i **240,900** o ymwelwyr



74 perfformiad â thocynnau



45 diwrnod o arddangosfeydd



32 digwyddiad Dysgu Creadigol gyda **1,340** o fynychwyr



Gwerthiant o bron i **79%** ar sioeau â thocynnau



24 swydd barhaol wedi'u creu gyda llawer

Ers ei agoriad swyddogol gan Lywodraeth y DU a Gweinidogion Llywodraeth Cymru ym mis Mawrth 2023, mae Arena Abertawe wedi croesawu dros 240,000 o ymwelwyr yn ei blwyddyn lawn gyntaf. Yn dilyn cyfres o ddigwyddiadau prawf, y comediwr John Bishop oedd y seren gyntaf i ymddangos ar y llwyfan, ac ers hynny mae llawer o berfformiadau mawr eraill wedi cynnwys, Alice Cooper a The Cult, a Michael McIntyre yn ogystal â digwyddiadau fel Cynhadledd Canol Dinas 4 the Region, Confensiynau Hapchwarae, cyfarfodydd Sector Cyhoeddus a seremonïau graddio y brifysgol.

Mae'r arena, a ddatblygwyd gan Buckingham Group ar ran Cyngor Abertawe ac sy'n cael ei chynnal gan Ambassador Theatre Group, yn rhan o brosiect ardal Bae Copr Abertawe, gwerth £135m sydd hefyd yn cynnwys parc arfordirol, a'r bont newydd dros Heol Ystumllwynarth.



Ers ei agor, mae'r arena wedi newid pethau, adfywio'r economi leol, darparu nifer o gyfleoedd ar gyfer twf a chael effaith gadarnhaol sylweddol ar fusnesau yn yr ardal. Mae'r arena nid yn unig wedi creu cyfleoedd newydd i fusnesau ond hefyd wedi creu awyrgylch bywiog a deinamig yng nghanol y ddinas, gan wella enw da Abertawe ymhellach fel cyrchfan ffyniannus. Rydym wedi derbyn adroddiadau gan sawl sefydliad eu bod wedi profi cynnydd rhyfeddol mewn busnes. Mewn rhai achosion, mae busnesau wedi adrodd ar lafar bod cynnydd anhygoel o tua 200% yn eu sylfaen cwsmeriaid ers i'r arena agor ei drysau. Mae wedi dod yn atyniad mawr, gan ddenu nifer sylweddol o ymwelwyr i Abertawe o'r ddinas a thu hwnt. O ganlyniad, mae busnesau lleol, fel bwytaï, caffis a bariau yn arbennig, wedi gweld cynnydd aruthrol yn nifer yr ymwelwyr a'r galw gan gwsmeriaid. Mae'r cynnydd mewn gweithgarwch busnes wedi cael effaith gynyddol ar draws yr economi leol. Mae busnesau wedi gallu ehangu eu gweithrediadau, buddsoddi mewn gwelliannau, a llogi staff ychwanegol i ateb y galw cynyddol. Mae hyn wedi arwain at greu swyddi, cynnydd mewn refeniw treth, a hwb economaidd cyffredinol i'r ddinas.

Mae wedi rhoi bywyd newydd i'r economi leol, gan greu amgylchedd ffyniannus a llwyrchus i fusnesau ffynnu. Fel Ardal Gwella Busnes Abertawe, rydym wedi ymrwmo i gefnogi a manteisio ar y momentwm cadarnhaol hwn, gan sicrhau bod manteision yr arena yn parhau i gael eu teimlo ledled cymuned yr Ardal Gwella Busnes.

Dyfyniad Russell Greenslade:

Prif Weithredwr, Ardal Gwella Busnes Abertawe (AGB)



£669.8m

Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol



1,281

Swyddi a Grewyd



50+ Cyfleoedd a lle i Fusnesau

Newydd i Raddedigion



8,700+

Wythnosau Hyfforddi



10,684m² Cyfleuster ar Gyfer
Busnesau sy'n Canolbwyntio'n Ddigidol



3,500

Arena dan do capasiti



Ardal Forol Doc Penfro



£63.9m Buddsoddiad
£28.0m Y Fargen Ddinesig
£18.4m Sector Cyhoeddus
£17.5m Sector Preifat

Ynni, a
Gweithgynhyrchu
Clyfar

Bydd y prosiect hwn yn sefydlu canolfan gynhyrchu, profi a lleoli o safon fyd-eang ym maes ynni a pheirianeg forol, a fydd yn darparu'r cymorth a'r seilwaith sydd eu hangen er mwyn i economi carbon isaf Cymru dyfu ymhellach.

Mae'r prosiect yn ehangu ar gyfleusterau sefydledig a chronfa sgiliau helaeth y rhanbarth, gan sicrhau eu bod yn gweithredu mewn modd mor effeithlon â phosibl a chynyddu'r cyfleoedd i arloesi, a fydd yn helpu i leihau costau cynhyrchu ynni'r môr.

Wrth ganolbwyntio ar dwf y diwydiant cynhyrchu ynni di-garbon, mae'r prosiect yn cynnwys safleoedd profi pwrpasol ar gamau cynnar ac ar raddfa fasnachol, canolfan arloesi CATAPULT, a seilwaith porthladd â ffocws ar ddiwydiant i sicrhau bod datblygwyr yn gwella effeithiolrwydd ac effeithlonrwydd cost eu technoleg arloesol a'r modd y caiff ei gosod ar draws pedwar prif brosiect:

1. Bydd Seilwaith Doc Penfro (PDI) yn ail-lunio seilwaith ffisegol Porthladd Penfro i sicrhau'r arbedion gweithredol mwyaf posibl ar gyfer diwydiant y DU.
2. Bydd Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr (META) yn creu parthau trwyddedig a ganiatawyd ymlaen llaw o fewn Dyfrffordd Aberdaugleddau ar gyfer profi dyfeisiau cydran a graddfa.
3. Bydd Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni Morol (MEECE) yn cynnal profion bywyd ar elfennau ynni morol i roi hwb i'w hirhoedledd.
4. Mae Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro (PDZ) yn galluogi seilwaith ynni adnewyddadwy ar y môr i gataleiddio cyfleoedd ynni gwynt ac ynni môr arnofiol ar y Môr Celtaidd.

Diweddariadau Allweddol:

Chwarter 1

- Cynhaliodd Porthladd Penfro Ddigwyddiad Rhwydweithio Busnes i fusnesau sydd wedi'u lleoli yn y porthladd i rwydweithio a chwrdd â Rheolwr Masnachol y Porthladd.
- Cyhoeddi enwau adeilad Rhandai'r Awyrendai – Catalina House, Falcon House, Erebus House ac Oleander House yn dilyn cystadleuaeth gymunedol.
- Amrywiad Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr i ganiatâd cynllunio wedi'i gymeradwyo.
- Cynhaliodd staff prosiect Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr weithdy gyda myfyrwyr peirianeg blwyddyn 10 Ysgol Harri Tudur yng Ngholeg Sir Benfro fel rhan o Weithdy Ynni Adnewyddadwy.
- Gosododd Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni'r Môr y bwi profi morol ar safle Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr.
- Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro yn symud ymlaen i'w gyflawni gyda Chyfarwyddwr Prosiect, Rheolwr Technegol ac Arolwg a Chaniatâd yn cael eu recriwtio.

Chwarter 2

- Llyfryn wedi'i gyhoeddi yn amlinellu'r swyddfeydd a'r gweithdai sydd ar gael ym Mhorthladd Penfro yn Rhandai'r Awyrendai.
- Porthladd Aberdaugleddau yn torri tir gyda BAM Nuttall ar y llithrfa a'r pontynau cychod gwaith newydd ym Mhorthladd Penfro.
- Ymwelodd Mark Drakeford, Prif Weinidog Cymru, ag Ynni Môr Cymru i ddeall mwy am gyfleoedd ynni adnewyddadwy'r môr yn y rhanbarth.
- Mae Cais Grid ar gyfer 2.5GW o wynt ar y môr i Dde Sir Benfro wedi'i ddrafftio ar gyfer Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro gyda chyfarfod cyn cyflwyno cais wedi'i gynnal.
- Codi bwi Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni'r Môr yn llwyddiannus ar safle Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr a pharatoadau ar y gweill i'w osod eto.
- Rhyddhaodd Ynni Môr Cymru Adroddiad Cyflwr y Sector.
- Adroddiad Cysyniad Technegol Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro wedi'i gyflwyno, ymarfer ail-gwmpasu wedi'i gwblhau ac asiantau tir wedi'u contractio i gefnogi'r gwaith o nodi llwybrau ar gyfer ceblau.

Chwarter 3

- Enillodd Porthladd Aberdaugleddau Wobr Cynaliadwyedd Porthladd 2022 yng Nghynhadledd Cymdeithas Porthladdoedd Prydain.
- Cyhoeddwyd The Walters Group fel contractwyr ar y cyfleusterau newydd ym Mhenfro i gefnogi ynni gwynt arnofiol alltraeth (FLOW).
- BAM Nuttall wedi parhau i weithio ar y llithrfa a'r pontw'n ac R&M Williams wedi parhau i weithio ar Randaï'r Awyrendai.
- Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr wedi sicrhau trwydded forol newydd a olygai y gallai bellach ddarparu ar gyfer mwy o dyrbinau llanw a systemau angori mwy.

- Gosodwyd bwi Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni'r Môr am yr eildro yn safle Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr ar gyfer profion pellach dros y pedwar mis nesaf.
- Celtic Sea Power (CSP) mewn cydweithrediad â Llywodraeth Cymru, Catapwlt Ynni Adnewyddadwy oddi ar yr Arfordir ac Ynni Môr Cymru yn cyhoeddi Strategaeth Clwstwr y Môr Celtaidd.

Chwarter 4

- Cefnogodd holl bartneriaid y prosiect Gynhadledd Ynni Môr Cymru fwyaf erioed yn Arena
- Abertawe ac ymweliad gan Fwrdd Strategaeth Economaidd y Fargen Ddinesig.
- BAM Nuttall wedi cwblhau'r gwaith o ddymchwel Llithrfa 2, arllwys slabiau concrit wedi parhau er mwyn ffurfio'r llithrfa newydd ym Mhorthladd Penfro. Seilbyst wedi'u gosod ar gyfer y pontynau cychod gwaith. Gwaith draenio'r pwll pren wedi'i gwblhau.
- Cynllun Busnes 23-27 CSP wedi'i gymeradwyo gan gyfranddalwyr sy'n paratoi'r ffordd i'r busnes barhau i gefnogi Dinas-ranbarth Bae Abertawe gyflymu ynni gwynt arnofiol alltraeth (FLOW) a chyfle ynni morol wrth gadw'r seilwaith, y gadwyn gyflenwi a'r manteision sy'n gysylltiedig â sgiliau.
- Porthladd Aberdaugleddau, ynghyd â Chyngor Sir Penfro, Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot a Chymdeithas Porthladdoedd Prydain yn llwyddo i sicrhau'r Porthladd Rhydd Celtaidd yn Ne-orllewin Cymru.

£343.4m Cyfraniad at GYC Rhanbarthol

1,881 Swyddi a Grewyd

1,000mw Cyfraniad at Dargedau Datgarboneiddio

60,600m² Creu Seilwaith Ffisegol



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Ardal Forol Doc Penfro: Adeiladu Cynaliadwy

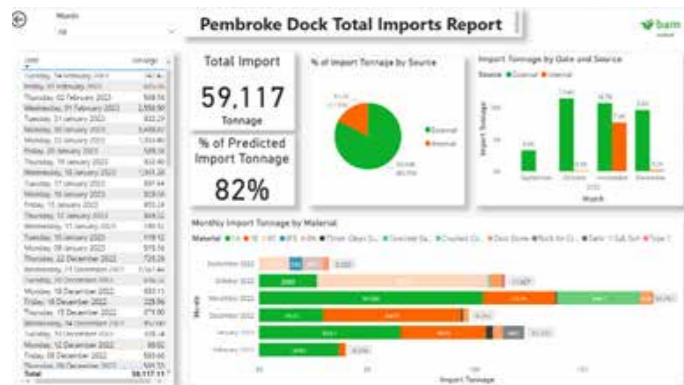
BAM Nuttall wedi'i benodi yn brif gontractwr ar gyfer y llithrfa fawr iawn newydd, pontynau cychod gwaith a llenwi'r pwll piclo hanesyddol ym Mhorthladd Penfro fel rhan o brosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro, a ddechreuodd gael ei adeiladu ym mis Awst 2022.

Ap Orlhain Deunydd

Roedd angen llenwi'r pwll piclo coed gyda deunydd a fewnforiwyd a deunydd a oedd ar y safle eisoes, gyda'r deunydd a oedd ar y safle yn barod yn cael ei adfer o'r gwaith dymchwel yr hen lithrfa a wal y cei. Datblygwyd Ap Orlhain Deunydd gan y tîm adeiladu digidol mewnol i olrhain symudiadau'r deunyddiau a hefyd gwybodaeth gyda monitro ac adrodd.

Mae'r ap yn olrhain:

- Trwydded cludo gwastraff Cludwyr
- Hawlen sy'n cael ei defnyddio i fewnforio'r deunydd
- Ffynhonnell, math a thunelledd deunydd
- Dyddiad/amser symudiadau deunydd a rhif cofrestru cerbyd



Adroddiad Cynaliadwyedd

Mae'r diwydiant peirianeg sifil ac adeiladu yn gyfrifol am 39% o'r holl allyriadau carbon byd-eang a thua 36% o'r holl ddefnydd o ynni. Bam Nuttall yn ymwybodol o'r broblem ac eisiau bod yn rhan o'r ateb.

Mae gan y cwmni uchelgeisiau o ddod yn sefydliad sero net erbyn 2026 lle mae mwyafrif o'i gystadleuwyr yn anelu at 2030. Mae BAM Nuttall yn defnyddio Mynegai Cynaliadwyedd mewnol ar gyfer monitro.

Mae'r mynegai yn edrych ar 14 mesur cynaliadwyedd ar draws prosiectau i asesu eu perfformiad yn erbyn targedau cwmni.

Yna gall Rheolwyr Prosiect nodi meysydd ar gyfer gwelliannau ac ymdrechu i gyflawni rhagoriaeth cynaliadwyedd. Mae'r 14 mesur yn dod o fewn chwe chategori sy'n cynnwys: presenoldeb data, perfformiad CO2, perfformiad gwastraff, cydymffurfio, dangos llwyddiant ac effaith gymdeithasol.

Ers mis Chwefror 2023 dangosodd yr Adroddiad Cynaliadwyedd a gomisiynwyd fod y prosiect hwn wedi sgorio perfformiad o 94% yn gyson yn erbyn yr amcanion, gyda'r cyfartaledd ar gyfer prosiectau cyfatebol rhwng 70 a 79%.

“Bydd BAM Nuttall yn parhau i weithio gyda phartneriaid Ardal Forol Doc Penfro i nodi ffyrdd arloesol a chynaliadwy o weithio er mwyn cyflawni ein uchelgeisiau Sero-net. Rydym yn gobeithio rhannu arferion gorau a gweithio gyda'n partneriaid yn y diwydiant i leihau allyriadau carbon ar draws y sector adeiladu.”

Andrew Pointon-Bell
Rheolwr Prosiect



Stori Craig Prentis TGCh ym Mhorthladd Aberdaugleddau Partner darparu ym Mhrosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro



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Gwnaeth gais i fod yn brentis gan ei fod eisiau datblygu ei sgiliau a symud ymlaen yn ei yrfa mewn ffordd oedd yn golygu nad oedd yn gaeth i ystafell ddosbarth.

Trwy wneud prentisiaeth, gall ddysgu yn y swydd, gan ddefnyddio ei wybodaeth a'i sgiliau yn ymarferol ac mae ei wybodaeth yn gwella mwy a mwy bob wythnos.



Mae Craig wedi canfod bod llawer o fanteision o wneud y brentisiaeth hon. Mae'n cael ei dalu wrth iddo barhau i ddysgu, er y fantais fwyaf yw ei fod yn ennill profiad, sy'n aml yn anodd ei gael wrth ddechrau gyrfa newydd fel oedolyn ifanc.

Ar hyn o bryd mae'n canolbwyntio ar gwblhau ei brentisiaeth gan barhau i wella ei sgiliau. Mae'n gobeithio aros ym Mhorthladd Aberdaugleddau unwaith y bydd wedi gorffen.

“Mae ysbrydoli a galluogi pobl ifanc lleol i ddilyn gyrfa yn y môr, ynni neu letygarwch a thwristiaeth yn nodau cymdeithasol allweddol i ni yn y Porthladd ac mae prentisiaethau yn un o'r ffyrdd y gallwn ni wneud hyn. Rydym yn awyddus i gynyddu cyfleoedd prentisiaeth yn y blynyddoedd i ddod.”

Vidette Swales
Cyfarwyddwr AD





Stori Seb Prentis Trydanol yn 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin Ardal Ddigidol Dinas Abertawe a'r Glannau

Pan adawodd Seb yr ysgol, nid oedd yn siŵr beth oedd eisiau ei wneud, ond ar ôl gweithio gyda'i dad ar brosiectau adnewyddu tai, sylweddolodd ei fod yn hoffi gweithio ym maes adeiladu.

Pan adawodd Seb yr ysgol, nid oedd yn siŵr beth oedd eisiau ei wneud, ond ar ôl gweithio gyda'i dad ar brosiectau adnewyddu tai, sylweddolodd ei fod yn hoffi gweithio ym maes adeiladu.

Sicrhaodd Seb le ar raglen brentisiaeth y CMB yn 2022, fel rhan o'r ymgyrch i recriwtio prentisiaid lleol, sy'n rhan o ofynion recriwtio a hyfforddi wedi'u targedu Cyngor Abertawe a Bouygues UK ar gyfer contract adeiladu 71/72 Ffordd y Brenin gwerth £34m a ariennir gan Fargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe.

Ers hynny, mae CMB, is-gontractwr mecanyddol a thrydanol mawr yn Ne Cymru, wedi cofrestru Seb ar gyfer Lefel 2 Gosodiadau Trydanol yng Ngrŵp Castell-nedd Port Talbot ar gampws Afan, sy'n golygu ei fod yn y coleg un diwrnod yr wythnos ac mae'n treulio'r pedwar diwrnod arall yn gweithio ar ddatblygiad swyddfa newydd nodedig Ffordd y Brenin yng nghanol Abertawe.

Ar hyn o bryd mae'n gosod y sianel drydanol fewnol, a fydd yn cael ei chuddio o fewn y strwythur concret ar draws dwy lefel islawr a phum llawr y datblygiad. Mae'r prosiect bellach yn cychwyn ar y cam nesaf ac mae'r gwaith a'r cynnwys gweladwy mewnol a'r weirio newydd ddechrau, bydd Seb nawr yn rhan o'r gwaith hwn. Bydd yn gosod y ceblau trwy'r sianeli y mae wedi'u gosod o'r blaen a bydd hyn yn ychwanegu dimensiwn newydd.

Dyma brofiad go iawn cyntaf Seb o safle adeiladu mawr ac mae wedi ennill gwell dealltwriaeth o gymhlethdodau'r gwaith adeiladu, yr iechyd a'r diogelwch sydd ei angen ar safle, ond yn bwysicach fyth, pa mor hanfodol yw ei rôl wrth edrych ar adeilad gorffenedig. Er bod ei dasg bresennol ar y safle sef gosod sianeli yn dasg feichus, ni fydd yn weladwy unwaith y bydd y prosiect yn cael ei drosglwyddo. Bydd prentisiaeth Seb yn para 4 blynedd, ac ar ôl cwblhau'r prosiect hwn, bydd yn symud ymlaen i weithio ar brosiect CMBE arall nes y bydd yn cael cymeradwyaeth gan y darparwr hyfforddiant JTL.



Stori Amelia Swyddog Prosiect Graddedig yn Celtic Sea Power Partner darparu ym Mhrosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro

Graddiodd Amelia o Brifysgol Abertawe gyda BEng mewn Peirianeg Sifil yn 2020 ac yna treuliodd flwyddyn yn gweithio ym maes dylunio peirianeg fel Peiriannydd Strwythurol mewn ymgynghoriaeth fach sy'n arbenigo mewn adeiladu domestig.

Yna penderfynodd Amelia ddechreuedd i'r brifysgol ac astudio ar gyfer MSc mewn Peirianeg Arfordirol ym Mhrifysgol Plymouth. Dri mis cyn graddio o'i gradd Meistr dechreuodd ei swydd raddedig yn Celtic Sea Power, lle ysgrifennodd ei thraethawd hir ar gyflenwad ynni adnewyddadwy hybrid i gymunedau'r ynys.

Prif nod ei swydd raddedig yw adeiladu model o'r holl ddefnydd o ynni yn yr ardal, a sut y gallai hyn newid yn y cyfnod cyn targedau Sero Net. Mae'n golygu siarad â diwydiannau fel porthladdoedd ac astudio eu defnydd a'u gweithrediadau ynni cyfredol. Mae hi hefyd yn edrych ar sut mae cynhyrchu ynni yn debygol o newid a sut y gellir gwneud y mwyaf o adnoddau naturiol.

Mae Amelia yn gweithio tuag at fod yn beiriannydd siartredig yn Celtic Sea Power ac mae'n gobeithio y bydd ei rôl bresennol yn ei helpu i wneud hyn. Byddai hi wrth ei bodd yn gweld technolegau fel ynni'r tonnau a'r llanw yn dod yn fwy masnachol ac yn gobeithio y bydd hi'n gallu gweithio ar eu hintegreiddio nhw i'n system ynni. Ei nod hirdymor yw gweithio ar brosiectau ynni adnewyddadwy ar raddfa fach, gan bweru porthladdoedd neu ynysoedd bach!

Mae ymuno fel myfyriwr graddedig wedi rhoi cyfle i Amelia arwain ar brosiectau ac mae wedi cael profiad gwych mewn cwmni sydd mewn gwirionedd yn mynd i wneud gwahaniaeth yn y dyfodol.

“ Fy nghyngor i raddedigion sy'n chwilio am swydd i raddedigion fyddai ystyried arbenigo mewn pwnc os ydych chi'n bwriadu gwneud gradd Meistr - Roedd fy nghwrs i mewn Peirianeg Arfordirol! Defnyddiwch LinkedIn wrth chwilio am swydd gan nad oes gan lawer o gwmnïau gynlluniau i raddedigion ond byddant yn dal i gymryd graddedigion, ac os oes cwmni y mae gennych ddi-ddordeb ynddo, anfonwch e-bost atynt! Peidiwch â bod ofn gwneud cais am swyddi nad ydych chi'n credu eich bod chi'n gymwys ar eu cyfer! ”



Gwersi a Ddysgwyd o'r Portffolio

Mae gan y Portffolio ystod eang a manwl o ryngweithiadau â llawer o bartneriaid ar draws y rhanbarth yn y sectorau preifat a chyhoeddus. Mae'r rhyngweithiadau hyn yn creu llawer o brofiadau ac yn creu adborth a gwersi ymhlith y partneriaid cyswllt.

Mae cyfoeth o wybodaeth a sylwadau yn cael eu cadw'n ganolog yn Swyddfa'r Portffolio trwy'r Cofnod Gwersi a Ddysgwyd a thrwy rannu arfer gorau gyda phartneriaid rhanbarthol. Mewn cyd-

destun ehangach, mae'r Fargen Ddinesig hefyd yn rhannu profiadau ac arfer gorau yn genedlaethol gyda Bargeinion Dinesig a Thwf eraill ar bob cyfle.

Ar ôl gweithredu'r dull hwn ers 2020, dyma ychydig o wersi allweddol a ddysgwyd isod. Rydym bob amser yn gofyn am adborth, felly rydym yn croesawu eich barn am sut mae Bargeinion Ddinesig Bae Abertawe yn perfformio ac yn rhyngweithio. E-bost: SBCD@sirgar.gov.uk i rannu eich barn.

Lleoliad: Mae trefniadau llywodraethu clir a diffiniedig yn hanfodol er mwyn gweithredu'n llwyddiannus.	Argymhelliad: Mae angen sefydlu a chymeradwyo trefniadau llywodraethu cadarn ar lefel Portffolio ar y dechrau.
Lleoliad: Gall newid personél allweddol achosi diffyg parhad.	Argymhelliad: Cyflwyno trosglwyddiadau ac anwythiadau i'r Fargen Ddinesig ar gyfer personél newydd, gyda chymorth cyfarfodydd ffurfiol a gweithredu prosesau.
Lleoliad: Diffyg hyblygrwydd wrth dolygu ac addasu cyllidebau	Argymhelliad: Y gallu i addasu allbynnau prosiect i sicrhau'r buddion mwyaf posibl
Lleoliad: Cyfarfodydd a chefnogaeth Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio effeithiol yn cael eu cydnabod.	Argymhelliad: Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio gwbl weithredol mewn lle i gefnogi, arwain a chynghori ar draws y Portffolio ar Lywodraethu, polisiâu a gweithdrefnau.
Lleoliad: Ymwybyddiaeth a rhannu wybodaeth am gyflawniadau.	Argymhelliad: Is-grwpiau yn cael eu sefydlu lle mae rhaglenni / prosiectau yn dod at ei gilydd i rannu arfer gorau a gwersi a ddysgwyd.
Lleoliad: Mae Uwch-Swyddogion Cyfrifol a benodir gyda rolau a chyfrifoldebau diffiniedig yn hanfodol i gyflawni amcanion cyflawni llwyddiannus.	Argymhelliad: Parhau i ddiffinio rolau, penodi Uwch-swyddogion Cyfrifol yn gynnar, darparu hyfforddiant a chymorth i Uwch-swyddogion Cyfrifol ac ar yr un pryd, sicrhau bod Uwch-swyddogion Cyfrifol yn cael eu cynrychioli ar y bwrdd gweithredol.
Lleoliad: Mae ymchwil a datblygu ac arloesi yn hanfodol i lwyddiant Bargeinion Ddinesig Bae Abertawe.	Argymhelliad: Mae angen cydlynu rhodfeydd a mynediad at ffrydiau cyllido Llywodraeth Cymru a Llywodraeth y DU er mwyn sicrhau'r buddion rhanbarthol mwyaf posibl.
Lleoliad: Er mwyn gallu cefnogi'r gwaith o gyflawni rhai agweddau o'r rhaglen, defnyddiwyd adnoddau presennol, mae hyn wedi profi i fod yn heriol.	Argymhelliad: Annog partneriaid i benodi adnoddau penodol yn unol ag anghenion, pwysau a blaenoriaethau mewnol.
Lleoliad: Mae trefniadau Llywodraethu Cadarn sy'n esblygu'n parhau i sicrhau cysondeb o ran adroddiadau, prosesau a gweithdrefnau.	Argymhelliad: Adrodd wedi'i ymgorffori mewn Byrddau Llywodraethu i sicrhau bod Risgiau a Materion yn amlwg ar draws y Portffolio, fod buddion yn cael eu cyflawni, gweithgarwch sicrwydd, caffael a newid. Defnyddir Meddalwedd PM i sicrhau cysondeb o ran adroddiadau.

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Mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn gweithio mewn partneriaeth â Bargeinion Ddinesig Bae Abertawe i gyflawni prosiectau uchelgeisiol a fydd yn dod â manteision economaidd sylweddol i'r rhanbarth ac i Gymru. Yn wyneb ansicrwydd economaidd mawr, mae Llywodraeth Cymru wedi ymrwmo i gefnogi gweledigaeth glir ar gyfer twf rhanbarthol cryfach sy'n cefnogi gwell swyddi yn niwydiannau'r dyfodol. Byddwn yn gweithio gyda phartneriaid i ddysgu gwersi ac adeiladu ar y cynnydd a wnaed i sicrhau ein uchelgeisiau a rennir ar gyfer y rhanbarth.

Vaughan Gething

Gweinidog Economi Cymru, Llywodraeth Cymru

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Mae'n wych gweld cynnydd sylweddol yn y gwaith o gyflawni prosiectau a gefnogir gan Fargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe. Mae buddsoddiad Llywodraeth y DU yn talu ar ei ganfed ac rydym bellach yn gweld sut mae'r Portffolio yn cefnogi twf economaidd. Gyda chymaint o brosiectau a rhaglenni cyffrous ar y gweill ar draws y rhanbarth mae manteision gwirioneddol a phendant sy'n effeithio ar fusnesau a phreswylwyr lleol ledled De-orllewin Cymru.

Yn benodol, mae hyrwyddo Bargeinion Ddinesig Bae Abertawe yn y sectorau Ynni a Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch yn sail i'r rhesymeg o gyllid ar gyfer cais y Porthladd Rhydd Celtaidd, sy'n cwmpasu Sir Benfro a Chastell-nedd Port Talbot. Mae ffrydiau cyllid Llywodraeth y DU ar gyfer Bargeinion Twf, y Cronfeydd Ffyniant Gyffredin a'r Porthladd Rhydd yn cefnogi swyddi a ffyniant i'r rhanbarth am genedlaethau i ddod.

David TC Davies

Ysgrifennydd Gwladol Cymru

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Mae'r Portffolio wedi gweld cynnydd sylweddol o ran y manteision sy'n cael eu darparu hyd yma ac yn arbennig dros y 12 mis diwethaf, gan gynnwys:

£ cyfanswm buddsoddiad o **£271m** hyd yma, **12%** o gyfanswm y targed buddsoddi wedi'i sicrhau gan fuddsoddiad gwerth **£100m+** gan y Sector Preifat yn 2022-23

9,200 o wythnosau hyfforddiant wedi'u darparu ar draws gweithgarwch adeiladu'r Portffolio hyd yma gydag o leiaf **1,200** o wythnosau wedi'u darparu yn 2022-23

O leiaf **550+** o gyfleoedd cyflogaeth Cyfwerth ag Amser Llawn (FTE)

100 o gyfleoedd prentisiaeth Cyfwerth ag Amser Llawn wedi'u creu neu'n parhau o ganlyniad i weithgarwch adeiladu

47,380 metr sgwâr o arwynebedd llawr wedi'i gwblhau ar draws y Portffolio

200 o gartrefi Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer wedi'u darparu yn 2022-23 gan wireddu buddsoddiad o £42m

200+ o gcontractau wedi'u dyfarnu i gwmnïau o Gymru

£ 3 allan o 35 prosiect wedi'u cwblhau gyda chyfanswm buddsoddiad o **£113m**

£ 17 o'r 35 prosiect yn cael eu cyflawni a fydd yn darparu **cyfanswm buddsoddiad o £415m** ar ôl eu cwblhau

£ 15 o'r 35 o brosiectau wedi'u cymeradwyo ac yn gweithio drwy weithgareddau cyn cychwyn. Ar ôl eu cwblhau, bydd y prosiectau hyn yn darparu'r **£711m** sy'n weddill o fuddsoddiad rhagweladwy'r Fargen Ddinesig.

£ Bydd contractau adeiladu gwerth oddeutu **£50m** yn cael eu dyfarnu drwy 2023-2024

£ Dechrau cyflwyno cadwyn gyflenwi ranbarthol Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer trwy flwyddyn ariannol 2023-24 gan arwain at ddechrau buddsoddiad pellach o **£383m**

*Mae rhagor o swyddi wedi'u creu, a byddant yn cael eu cadarnhau ymhen 12-24 mis wedi i'r deiliad ddechrau yn y swydd.

Mae'r portffolio yn helpu i fynd i'r afael â lleihau carbon a'i gefnogi gyda'r nod hirdymor o gyrraedd targed Carbon Sero Net Cymru erbyn 2050 ac mae'n cyd-fynd â Cymru Sero Net – Cyllideb Carbon 2 (2021-25), Llywodraeth Cymru.

Bydd pob Sefydliad Cyflawni Arweiniol yn sicrhau bod cyfleusterau'n cael eu caffael, eu hadeiladu a'u gweithredu yn unol â'r gofynion a nodir mewn polisiau a strategaethau cenedlaethol a lleol.

Mae'r Portffolio yn gosod y rhanbarth ar flaen y gad o ran Ynni a Gweithgynhyrchu Clyfar a bydd yn cyfrannu drwy:

- Cyflawni tri phrosiect sy'n gysylltiedig ag ynni yn llwyddiannus: Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer, Ardal Forol Doc Penfro a Chefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel
- Creu arwynebedd llawr oddeutu 80k+m2 sy'n bodloni safonau rhagoriaeth BREEAM
- Creu o leiaf 5,000 o swyddi ar draws y sectorau ynni ac ynni adnewyddadwy
- Creu o leiaf £620m o Werth Ychwanegol Gros yn y sectorau ynni ac ynni adnewyddadwy
- Denu o leiaf £630m o gyfanswm buddsoddiad yn y sectorau ynni ac ynni adnewyddadwy
- Darparu o leiaf 6,000 o gyfleoedd sgiliau ar gyfer y sectorau ynni ac ynni adnewyddadwy
- Creu canolfan ragoriaeth ranbarthol mewn ynni adnewyddadwy
- Tyfu 2 gadwyn gyflenwi yn y broses osod, gweithgynhyrchu, a gweithredu technolegau glas a gwyrdd drwy Ardal Forol Doc Penfro a Chartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer.
- Gwella cysylltedd digidol trwy ffeibr llawn, 5G a Rhyngwyd Pethau (IoT) i ddiogelu'r economi ddigidol ar draws y rhanbarth at y dyfodol.

Enghraifft o'r arfer hwn ar waith yw Canolfan Dechnoleg Bae Abertawe, sy'n rhan o raglen Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel. Dan arweiniad Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot, maent yn gosod targedau blaengar ar gyfer perfformiad ynni ac yn grymuso'r tîm dylunio trwy roi'r rhyddid i:

- Canolbwyntio ar adeiladwaith adeiladu – aerglos, optimeiddio cyfeiriadedd a màs
- Lleihau'r defnydd o ddeunydd – gwneud mwy gyda llai
- Cynyddu effeithlonrwydd technolegau
- Efelychu defnydd o offer a deiliadaeth
- Defnyddio màs thermol o lorïau i leihau llwyth gwres
- Gweithredu strategaeth fesur gadarn

Y canlyniad oedd darparu'n llwyddiannus y cyfleuster masnachol 'gweithredu'n effeithlon o ran ynni' cyntaf sydd wedi ennill gwobrau yng Nghymru. Cynhyrchu mwy o ynni nag y mae'n ei ddefnyddio.

Cyflawnwyd hyn drwy ddefnyddio meddalwedd modelu BIM 360 ar y cyd, a arweiniodd hefyd at::

- Lleihau gwastraff, gan gynhyrchu dim ond 2.4 tunnell/100m2 o'i gymharu â phrosiect nodweddiadol yn y DU sy'n cynhyrchu 11 tunnell/100m2
- Cafodd 59 tunnell o wastraff adeiladu eu hailgylchu/adfer (BREEAM Rhagorol)
- 96% o wastraff adeiladu wedi'i ddargyfeirio o safleoedd tirlenwi
- Gwelliant o 42.12% ar y defnydd o ddŵr net trwy osod offer ymolchfa effeithlon
- Trwy gynllunio diwedd oes, gellir ailgylchu 92% o adeiladwaith adeilad.



Sgiliau a Thalentau: Llwyddiant Prosiect Peilot



Dros y 12 mis diwethaf mae'r rhaglen Sgiliau a Thalent wedi cymeradwyo 9 prosiect peilot a fydd yn paratoi pobl ifanc ar gyfer swyddi sydd ar ddod ledled y rhanbarth.

Arian Cyfatebol y Sector Cyhoeddus o £712,83

Arian Cyfatebol y Sector Preifat £439,000

Buddsoddiad Prentisiaethau Preifat o £536,764



Sgiliau Cymru Sero Net

Sector: Ynni a Gweithgynhyrchu Clyfar, Technolegau Adnewyddadwy.

Bydd y prosiect peilot hwn, sydd wedi'i gynllunio i fynd i'r afael â'r bylchau sgiliau gwyrdd yn y sector preifat a chyhoeddus mewn diwydiannau sy'n gysylltiedig â gweithgynhyrchu, hefyd yn gwella gwybodaeth a sgiliau ac yn creu llwybrau gyrfa i gefnogi Cymru i gyflawni ei nodau sero net. Wedi'i gyd-ddylunio gan academyddion a'r diwydiant ac ar y cyd â Chlwstwr Diwydiannol De Cymru a'r Bartneriaeth Dysgu a Sgiliau Ranbarthol, bydd hyn yn cael ei gyflwyno i ddysgwyr uwchradd ac ôl-16 ac mae'n unigryw gan fod y cynnwys wedi'i deilwra i arferion gwaith go iawn, bob dydd.

Sgiliau Gweithgynhyrchu Batri (BMS)

Sector: Nod Ynni a Gweithgynhyrchu Clyfar, Technolegau Adnewyddadwy, Sgiliau Newydd,

Technoleg Ddigidol yw sefydlu fframwaith o gyrsgiau datblygiad proffesiynol byr sydd wedi'u cynllunio i ymateb i fwllch sgiliau mewn gweithgynhyrchu batris a diwydiannau cysylltiedig. Bydd y prosiect peilot hwn, sy'n cael ei gyflawni ar y cyd â sefydliadau'r sector preifat, yn rhoi sylw i'r bylchau sgiliau mewn gweithgynhyrchu batris a'r gadwyn gyflenwi drwy ddarparu hyfforddiant, gwella sgiliau, ac ailsgilio i fyfyrwyr medrus iawn a'r gweithlu lleol. Bydd 25 o unigolion yn derbyn hyfforddiant sgiliau uwch gydag un fframwaith newydd yn cael ei greu.



Pasbort i Gyflogaeth Sir Benfro

Sector: Carbon Isel, Technolegau Adnewyddadwy

Bydd y prosiect peilot cyntaf i gael ei gymeradwyo a'i ddarparu yn dwyn ynghyd myfyrwyr a chwmnïau sy'n arbenigo yn y sector ynni adnewyddadwy, gan greu fframwaith a arweinir gan Ynni Glas-Gwyrdd. Bydd yn paratoi talent ifanc ar gyfer cyfleoedd gwaith lleol sydd ar y gweill a gyrfa yn y sector ynni adnewyddadwy. Mae'r prosiect sydd eisoes wedi ennill cydnabyddiaeth allanol drwy ennill gwobr, yn cael ei addysgu ar y cyd rhwng diwydiant, ysgolion a choleg Sir Benfro.

Codi Ymwybyddiaeth Carbon Isel a Sero Newydd

Sector: Carbon Isel, Adeiladu, Technolegau Adnewyddadwy

Dan arweiniad Cyfle, sy'n arbenigwyr Sgiliau Adeiladu, nod y prosiect rhanbarthol hwn yw codi ymwybyddiaeth o dechnolegau carbon sero a charbon isel yn y sector adeiladu drwy gyflwyno hyfforddiant lleihau carbon sy'n berthnasol i'r diwydiant. Bydd yn cyflwyno 4 cwrs newydd a bydd yn gweithio gyda phrentisiaid a hyfforddeion gan greu 100 o brentisiaid a rennir a 500 o brentisiaid traddodiadol, ynghyd â chyfranogiad gan 1,000 o ddisgyblion ysgol ym mlwyddyn 10 ac 11.

Sero Net: How Green Was My Valley?

Sector: Ynni a Gweithgynhyrchu Clyfar, Technolegau Adnewyddadwy

Bydd y peilot hwn yn meithrin carfan o athrawon i weithlu gwybodus ac effeithiol sy'n defnyddio sgiliau digidol a gemau i hyfforddi disgyblion am newid yn yr hinsawdd, pwysigrwydd sero net a'r cyfleoedd o'r economi gylchol. Caiff ei gyflwyno mewn arddull 'hyfforddi'r hyfforddwr' i athrawon a fydd wedyn yn cyflwyno'r wybodaeth yn ôl i'r ystafell ddosbarth.

Meithrin Iechyd a Llesiant mewn byd digidol

Sector: Digidol, Iechyd a Llesiant

Gan dargedu ysgolion yn ninas Abertawe yn benodol, dan arweiniad Ysgol Gyfun Tregwyr, bydd hyn yn addysgu disgyblion 3-16 oed am y sectorau gwyddor bywyd, iechyd a chwaraeon gan gynnwys datblygu technolegau newydd i gefnogi ffordd iach a chytbwys o fyw.

Hyfforddiant Technolegau 5G

Sector: Digidol

Wedi'i gynllunio i fynd i'r afael â'r diffyg ymwybyddiaeth o 5G, bydd y peilot hwn yn gweithio gyda diwydiant i sicrhau bod y rhanbarth yn deall cyfleoedd a photensial 5G yn llawn. Gydag amrywiaeth o hyfforddiant o lefelau rhagarweiniol i lefelau uwch ar draws ystod eang o sectorau, bydd yn helpu i gynhyrchu arloesedd ac yn sbarduno buddsoddiad pellach i'r rhanbarth.

Sgiliau'r 21ain Ganrif

Sector: Adeiladu, Sero Net, Iechyd a Llesiant

Bydd y cynllun peilot hwn, sy'n cael ei gyflwyno gan yr arbenigwyr adeiladu Bouygues UK, yn datblygu profiadau sy'n gysylltiedig â gwaith ar gyfer 40 o ddysgwyr ym mlwyddyn 6, 120 o ddysgwyr ym mlynnyddoedd 10 a 12 a 1,000 o ddysgwyr ym mlynnyddoedd 7, 8 a 9. Bydd ffocws penodol ar weithio tuag at sero-net yn y diwydiant adeiladu a'r sgiliau sydd eu hangen i ateb her yr argyfwng hinsawdd.

Gyrfaoedd yn y Sector Digidol

Sector: Adeiladu, Peirianeg, Celfyddydau Digidol a Diwydiannau

Gan ganolbwyntio ar yr angen am sgiliau digidol gwell yn y diwydiant creadigol ar gyfer dysgwyr cyn-16 ac ôl-16, mae'r prosiect hwn yn cael ei ddarparu gan Gyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot a bydd yn gwella sgiliau ac yn cynyddu dysgu i oddeutu 2,070 o unigolion yn ogystal â chreu llwybrau gyrfa mewn ysgolion cynradd.

“ Mae'r Rhaglen Sgiliau a Thalent yn creu prosiectau peilot pwrpasol, arloesol a chyffrous sy'n cynnig atebion rhanbarthol sy'n mynd i'r afael â'r gofynion hyfforddi ar gyfer prosiectau'r Fargen Ddinesig a phartneriaid yn y diwydiant. Wrth i'r prosiectau peilot symud i'r cam cyflawni mae'n wych gweld y buddsoddiad amhrisiadwy hwn yn helpu i gefnogi anghenion sgiliau heddiw a chenedlaethau'r dyfodol ledled Cymru. ”

Edward Morgan
Cadeirydd Y Bartneriaeth Dysgu a Sgiliau
Ranbarthol, De-orllewin Cymru



Dros y 12 mis diwethaf, mae'r portffolio wedi ennill cydnabyddiaeth drwy nifer o wobrau mawreddog a achredwyd gan y diwydiant.



Prosiect Peilot Cyrchfan Ynni Adnewyddadwy

Enillodd y prosiect peilot Sgiliau a Thalent hwn wobwr genedlaethol am ynni gwynt ar y môr 'Offshore Wind Energy Skills' yng Ngwobrau Ynni Gwynt ar y Môr renewables UK 2022 ynghyd â chyrraedd y rownd derfynol yn seremoni Gwobrau STEM Cymru 2022.



Pentre Awel

Mae Pentre Awel, sy'n cael ei gyflawni gan Bouygues UK, wedi ennill Gwobr Gynaliadwyedd Bouygues UK 2022 drwy arbed dros 77,600kg o Garbon Deuocsid rhag cael ei allyrru ar y safle dros gyfnod o 15 wythnos.



Canolfan Dechnoleg Bae Abertawe

Mae rhan o raglen Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel, wedi ennill tair gwobr uchel eu proffil yn 2022 am ei chymwysterau amgylcheddol. Y gwobrau hyn oedd Gwobr Prosiect Eiddo Masnachol y Flwyddyn yng Ngwobrau Diwydiant Adeiladu Prydain (BCI) 2022, Gwobr Sero Net yng Ngwobrau Adeiladu Arbenigrwydd yng Nghymru (CEW) 2022 a'r Wobr Gynaliadwyedd yng Ngwobrau Eiddo Insider Cymru 2022.



Porthladd Aberdaugleddau

Mae'r Porthladd, sy'n bartner cyflawni strategol ym mhrosiect Ardal Forol Doc Penfro, wedi ennill Gwobr Cynaliadwyedd Porthladd yng Nghynhadledd Cymdeithas Porthladdoedd Prydain (BPA) 2022. Cafodd y porthladd ei gydnabod gan Gymdeithas Porthladdoedd Prydain am ei nodweddion cynaliadwyedd a'i ymrwymiad i gynaliadwyedd amgylcheddol yn y porthladd a'r cymunedau cyfagos.



71/72 Ffordd y Brenin

Yn rhan o brosiect Ardal Ddigidol Dinas Abertawe a'r Glannau, roedd y prosiect adeiladu hwn wedi cyrraedd rownd derfynol Gwobrau Cynaliadwyedd Bouygues UK 2022.

“ Mae'n wych gweld cynifer o'n prosiectau'n cael eu cydnabod drwy brif wobrau'r diwydiant. Mae'n dyst i dimau a phartneriaid y prosiect ledled y rhanbarth ac yn rhoi hyder i ni ein bod yn chwyldroadol ac yn gwneud gwahaniaeth i fywydau pobl yn ein rhanbarth, yr amgylchedd a'r economi. Yn ogystal â'r gwobrau hyn, yn ddiweddar mae Abertawe wedi'i henwi'n un o bedair dinas orau'r DU yng ngwobrau Estates Gazette 2022, sy'n cydnabod ymhellach y gwaith adfywio a datblygu economaidd enfawr sy'n digwydd yn nghanol ein rhanbarth.

Clr Rob Stewart
Cadeirydd y Cyd-bwyllgor

Amcangyfrifir mai sefyllfa fuddsoddi gyffredinol y portffolio yw £1,256.41 miliwn dros gylch bywyd 15 mlynedd y portffolio, fel y crynhowyd isod. Cyfanswm buddsoddiad Bagen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe (SBCD) o bob ffynhonnell oedd £262.15m, ac roedd £26.91m ohono yn fuddsoddiad sector preifat ar ddiwedd blwyddyn ariannol 2022-23.

Mae'r hinsawdd economaidd yr ydym yn gweithredu ynddi yn parhau i gyflwyno heriau o ran darparu'r Portffolio. Mae nifer o ffactorau macro-economaidd, gan gynnwys argaeledd adnoddau a recriwtio, prisiau ynni, costau adeiladu, pwysau chwyddiant, a phandemig COVID wedi arwain at lithriad o ran cyflenwi a phwysau costau cynyddol dros y tair blynedd diwethaf.

Er gwaethaf yr heriau hyn, mae'r holl brosiectau a rhaglenni yn mynd rhagddynt ac mae'r holl bartneriaid wedi ymrwmo'n llwyr i gyflawni eu mentrau Bagen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe. Ym mlwyddyn ariannol 2022/23, buddsoddodd y Fargen Ddinesig £83 miliwn ar gynllunio, caffael,

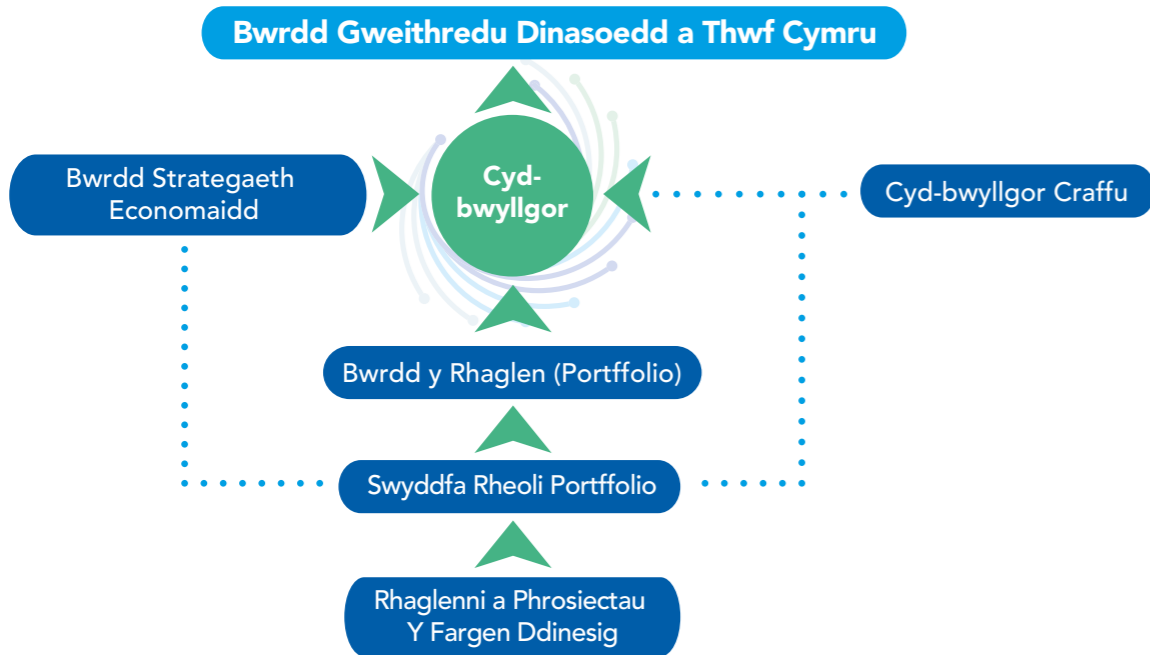
adeiladu a gweithrediadau ar draws mwyafrif y naw prosiect a rhaglen a oedd yn rhan o'r Portffolio. Bydd buddsoddiadau mawr pellach drwy gaffael ac adeiladu'n digwydd rhwng 2023/24 – 2028/29.

Mae'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio yn ymgymryd â monitro gofalus, lliniaru a datrys risgiau, materion a chyfathrebu darpariaeth a phroffiliau ariannol yn barhaus gyda'r holl randdeiliaid. Mae hyn yn helpu i bennu'r effaith y mae'r hinsawdd macro-economaidd yn ei chael ar gyflawni'r Portffolio.

Derbyniodd y Fargen Ddinesig ddyfarniad cyllid pellach yn 2022/23 gan Lywodraeth Cymru a Llywodraeth y DU, gan ryddhau pumed swm flynyddol o gyllid y Fargen Ddinesig. Mae hyn yn golygu bod cyfanswm o £100m wedi'i dynnu i lawr ers dechrau'r Portffolio. Mae'r cyllid diweddaraf a dderbyniwyd gan y Fargen Ddinesig yn cynnwys grant carlam Llywodraeth y DU a fydd nawr yn cael ei ddyfarnu dros gyfnod o ddeng mlynedd, yn hytrach na'r cyfnod gwreiddiol o bymtheg mlynedd.

Proffil Darogan Buddsoddiad Blynyddol

Cydran Fuddsoddi	Bl 0-4	Bl 5	Bl 6	Bl 7	Bl 8	Bl 9	Bl 10	Bl 11	Bl 12	Bl 13	Bl 14	Bl 15	Cyfanswm
	2017-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32	2032-33	
	(£m)												
Cyfalaf / Refeniw													
Buddsoddiad Cyfalaf	154.16	79.80	183.18	131.59	184.37	189.45	135.53	129.48	0	0	0	0	1,187.55
Buddsoddiad Refeniw	25.02	3.18	14.61	13.74	9.28	0.35	0.42	0.43	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.46	68.86
Cyfanswm	179.18	82.97	197.79	145.33	193.65	189.79	135.95	129.91	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.46	1,256.41
Cyllid													
Buddsoddiad y Fargen Ddinesig	32.87	23.53	80.61	75.20	18.12	5.42	0	0	0	0	0	0	235.75
Buddsoddiad y Sector Cyhoeddus	126.77	52.07	62.55	17.23	55.43	51.48	16.47	0	0	0	0	0	382.00
Buddsoddiad y Sector Preifat	19.54	7.37	54.63	52.90	120.10	132.89	119.48	129.92	0.45	0.46	0.46	0.46	638.66
Cyfanswm	179.18	82.97	197.79	145.33	193.65	189.79	135.95	129.92	0.45	0.46	0.46	0.46	1,256.41



Bwrdd Gweithredu Bargeinion Ddinesig a Thwf Cymru

Mae hwn yn Fwrdd ar y cyd rhwng Llywodraeth y DU a Llywodraeth Cymru sy'n gyfrifol am roi sicrwydd a chynghor i'r Cyd-gadeiryddion ynghylch materion strategol a gweithredol, rhyddhau cyllid i'r Portffolio, goruchwyllo a monitro prosiectau, a threfniadau llywodraethu a sicrwydd effeithiol.

Cydbwyllgor

Y Cadeirydd, y Cynghorydd Rob Stewart
Arweinydd Cyngor Abertawe

Mae'r Cydbwyllgor yn cynnwys pedwar Arweinydd yr Awdurdodau Lleol rhanbarthol, yn ogystal ag uwch-gynrychiolwyr o bob un o'r wyth prif sefydliad partner, ac mae'n dal Bwrdd y Rhaglen (Portffolio) a'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio i gyfrif ac yn gyfrifol drwyddi draw am graffu a chymeradwyo.

Bwrdd Strategaeth Economaidd (ESB)

Cadeirydd, Chris Foxall
Corff cynghori sector preifat yw hwn sy'n gweithredu fel llais busnes. Mae'r ESB yn darparu gwasanaethau strategol ar gyfer y Fargen Ddinesig trwy gyngor i'r Cydbwyllgor ar faterion yn ymwneud â'r ranbarth.

Bwrdd y Rhaglen (Portffolio)

Cadeirydd, Wendy Walters
Prif Weithredwr, Cyngor Sir Caerfyrddin
Bydd Bwrdd y Rhaglen, sy'n gyfrifol am oruchwyllo gweithrediadau'r Fargen Ddinesig, yn adolygu newidiadau i achosion busnes a datblygiadau i'r portffolio wrth iddo fynd yn ei flaen. Mae'n cynnwys pennaeth neu uwch-gynrychiolydd pob un o'r wyth sefydliad partner.

Cydbwyllgor Craffu

Cadeirydd, y Cynghorydd Rob James
Aelod Etholedig o Gyngor Sir Caerfyrddin
Mae'n cynghori, yn herio ac yn cefnogi'r Cydbwyllgor, ac mae'n cynnwys tri aelod etholedig o bob un o'r pedwar awdurdod lleol.

Mae'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio yn gyfrifol am weinyddu'r Portffolio o ddydd i ddydd ac mae mewn cyswllt rheolaidd â thimau ehangach y Fargen Ddinesig ac aelodau'r bwrdd.



Cefnogir Bargein Ddinesig Bae Abertawe hefyd gan Swyddog Adran 151 Cyngor Sir Caerfyrddin a Swyddog Monitro Cyngor Abertawe fel rhan o swyddogaethau statudol y portffolio.

Chris Moore

Cyfarwyddwr Gwasanaethau Corfforaethol
Cyngor Sir Caerfyrddin a Swyddog Adran 151
Bargein Ddinesig Bae Abertawe
Mae Chris yn gyfrifol am weinyddu busnes y Cydbwyllgor o dan Adran 151 o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972 ac mae'n gyffredinol gyfrifol am weinyddiaeth ariannol y Fargen Ddinesig.

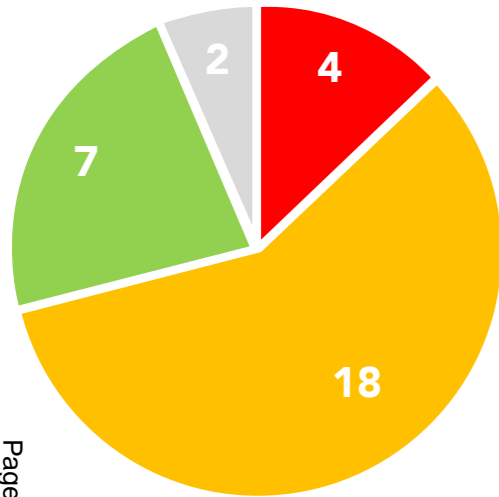
Tracey Meredith

Swyddog Monitro
Cyngor Sir Abertawe a Swyddog Monitro Bargein
Ddinesig Bae Abertawe
Mae Tracey yn gyfrifol am sicrhau llywodraethu da a chynnal y safonau moesegol uchaf, gan sicrhau cyfreithlondeb trefniadau a sicrhau y cydymffurfir â Chytundeb y Cydbwyllgor.

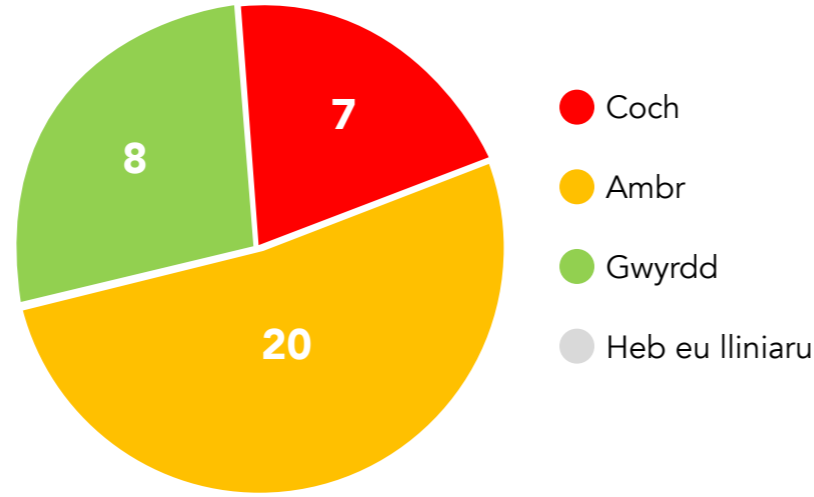
Wedi gadael
yn Tachwedd 2022
Mae Y Rheolwr Cyllid
sy'n gyfrifol i'r
Swyddog Adran 151

Trwy gydol 2022-23 mae'r Portffolio wedi nodi 4 risg Portffolio newydd. Mae hyn yn adlewyrchu bod y Portffolio yn cael ei gyflawni'n llawn gyda llawer o fesurau lliniaru yn cael eu gweithredu i leihau cyfraddau risg.

Risgiau wedi'u Lliniaru Mawrth 2022



Risgiau wedi'u Lliniaru Mawrth 2023



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Risgiau coch y Portffolio ar gyfer 2022-23 oedd:

- Nid yw cyfraniad/au cyllido o'r sector preifat wedi'u gwredu yn unol ag amcanestyniadau'r achos busnes.
- Cynyddu mewn costau adeiladu.
- Diweddariad Llywodraeth Cymru 2021 o ran TAN 15, risg llifogydd i ddatblygiadau, erydiad arfordirol a chynlluniau cynllunio rhag llifogydd cysylltiedig.
- Llithriad mewn buddsoddiad yn ystod y flwyddyn.
- Llithriad wrth gyflawni yn erbyn cerrig milltir allweddol.
- Prosiectau a rhaglenni yn darparu'r holl allbynnau a chanlyniadau achosion busnes.
- Pwysau ar y diwydiant adeiladu i fodloni galw'r Fargen Ddinesig ac ymarferiadau caffael eraill y sector cyhoeddus.

Drwy gydol y flwyddyn, mae'r portffolio wedi datblygu Asesiad o'r Effaith ar Adeiladu ymhellach, o ganlyniad i'r pwysau economaidd cynyddol ar weithgaredd adeiladu a phrisiau ynni yn dilyn yr adferiad ar ôl COVID-19 a rhyfel Wcraïn. Mae monitro agos wedi nodi cynnydd sylweddol mewn rhai costau ar weithgarwch adeiladu sydd yn ei dro wedi gofyn am fuddsoddiad ychwanegol mewn rhai achosion gan sefydliadau cyflenwi arweiniol.

Wrth symud ymlaen, o Chwarter 1 2023-24, bydd adroddiadau Asesiad o Effaith Adeiladu yn fwy amlwg, gyda'r nod o nodi a chau bylchau cyllido ar draws y portffolio drwy fesurau lliniaru wedi'u cofnodi a'u monitro. Dylai hyn ddiogelu darpariaeth y Portffolio, drwy nodi materion a phenderfyniadau cyn gynted â phosibl fel bod y Portffolio yn gwredu'r buddion a fwriedir fel y cynlluniwyd.

Adolygiadau Gateway

Mae Portffolio a phrosiectau'r Fargen Ddinesig yn ddarostyngedig i Adolygiadau Gateway Swyddfa Masnach y Llywodraeth, a hwylusir gan Hwb Sicrwydd Integredig Llywodraeth Cymru, er mwyn sicrhau i sicrhau bod y portffolio a'r prosiectau a rhaglenni cysylltiedig yn symud ymlaen yn llwyddiannus ac yn cael eu cyflawni'n gyffredinol.

Mae Bargaen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe wedi cynnal adolygiad strategol pellach o'r Portffolio ym mis Gorffennaf 2022 ynghyd ag adolygiadau ar raglen

Sgiliau a Thalentau, Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer a Glannau Abertawe. Datblygwyd amserlen o adolygiadau sydd ar ddot ar gyfer y 12 mis nesaf, gan gynnwys adolygiad Portffolio blynyddol a gynlluniwyd ar gyfer Gorffennaf 2023.

Mae'r tabl isod yn dangos yr adolygiadau diweddaraf a gynhaliwyd ar draws y portffolio ynghyd â'u sgôr Asesu Hyder Cyflenwi (DCA) a'r dyddiad amcangyfrifedig ar gyfer yr adolygiad sicrwydd nesaf.

Portffolio/Rhaglen/Prosiect	Stage	Latest Review Date	DCA Rating	Next Planned
Portffolio	0	Gorffennaf 2022		Gorffennaf 2023
Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer	PAR	Tachwedd 2022		Hydref 2023
Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel	PAR	Mehefin 2020		Rhagfyr 2023
Pentre Awel	PAR	Medi 2020		Hydref 2023*
Seilwaith Digidol	0	Hydref 2020		Hydref 2023*
Ardal Forol Doc Penfro	PAR	Chwefror 2020		Medi 2023
Yr Egin	5	Tachwedd 2021		Tbc 2023
Glannau ac Ardal Ddigidol Abertawe	PAR	Tachwedd 2022		Medi 2023
Sgiliau a Thalentau	0	Ionawr 2023		Tbc 2025
Campysau	PAR	Awst 2021		Ionawr 2024

*Amcangyfrif

Argymhellion Adolygiad Gateway y Portffolio 2022


Rhoddwyd sgôr Ambr/Gwyrdd yn adolygiad sicrwydd Gateway 2022 ar gyfer y Portffolio, a chafwyd 4 argymhelliad - mae'r rhain i gyd wedi cael eu cwblhau. Roedd yr argymhellion yn ymwneud â'r angen i ddiweddarau achosion busnes rhaglenni


a phrosiectau, monitro costau a phroffiliau budd ar draws y portffolio, mynediad i brosiectau i wybodaeth a data'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio a'r defnydd o iaith glir plaen mewn adroddiadau llywodraethu.



Marchnata a Chyfarthrebu

Mae gweithgareddau marchnata a chyfarthrebu sylweddol wedi digwydd dros y 12 mis diwethaf gan gynnwys:


 Diweddariad **Cynllun Cyfathrebu a Marchnata y Portffolio** yn cynnwys negeseuon allweddol, rhanddeiliaid, brandio, sianeli a chynllun gweithgareddau.


 **184** o grybwylliau cadarnhaol yn **y wasg leol a chenedlaethol** gan gynnwys teitlau ar-lein ac argraffedig, ar draws pob prosiect a rhaglen.


 Cyrhaeddiad Facebook o **63,641** a **1,009** o ddilynwyr Facebook.

 Cyrhaeddiad Twitter o **691,395** a **1,562** o ddilynwyr Twitter.

(Cyrhaeddiad yw nifer y bobl a oedd wedi gweld postiau, ymgysylltu â phostiadau, clicio ar bostiadau, rannu postiau, gwneud sylw arnynt neu hoffi'r postiau.)


 **Ymweliadau gan Weinidogion** Llywodraeth y DU a Llywodraeth Cymru â phrosiectau gan gynnwys Pentre Awel, Ardal Forol Doc Penfro a Champysau.

 Presenoldeb mewn **12 digwyddiad** gan gynnwys Introbiz, Sioe Fusnes Cymru, 4theRegion a Chynhadledd Ynni Môr Cymru.

 Cymryd rhan mewn **2 gyfweiliad sain** i gefnogi'r cais am Borthladd Rhydd Celtaidd a Ford Gron Busnes a'r Economi.

 Diweddarau **gwefan** y Fargen Ddinesig gyda'r straeon newyddion diweddaraf



 **Gweithio mewn partneriaeth** â chysylltiadau cyfathrebu allweddol mewn sefydliadau partner ac ym Margeinion Twf eraill yng Nghymru.


 **Cofnod Cerrig Milltir Allweddol**


 **Llyfryn Adolygiad Blynyddol** o Gerrig Milltir Allweddol ar draws pob bargaen twf


 **Cynhyrchu Asedau Marchnata** gan gynnwys ail-argraffu llyfryn


Ymgysylltu a Busnesau


Mae llawer o raglenni a phrosiectau yn ymgysylltu'n effeithiol â phartneriaid yn y sector preifat wrth i'r ddarpariaeth ddatblygu'n gyflym. Mae hyn wedi arwain at dderbyn cyfraniad ariannol sylweddol o'r sector preifat, gan gynnwys:


 Buddsoddiad cyflenwr Seilwaith Digidol o **£14.5m** yn y rhanbarth ar gyfer 2021-22

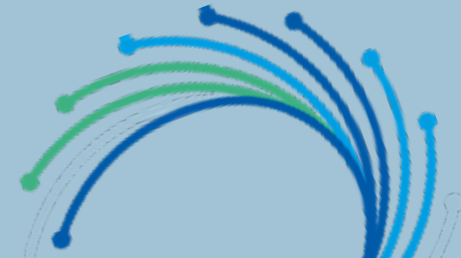
 **Buddsoddiad o £13.9m** wedi'i sicrhau ar gyfer Ardal Forol Doc Penfro drwy Borthladd Aberdaugleddau

 **77** o brentisiaethau, gwerth **£500k;** a **£400k** o gyfraniad gan y sector preifat ar gyfer prosiectau peilot yn y Rhaglen Sgiliau a Thalentau.

 Dathlodd Arena Abertawe ei blwyddyn gyntaf o weithredu a chafwyd cyfraniad o **£1m** gan weithredwyr ATG.

 Mae Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer wedi ysgogi buddsoddiad o tua **£1.4m** ar gyfer cartrefi newydd ac ôl-ffitio gan weithio gyda'r sector preifat

 Creodd Cronfa Datblygu Eiddo Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel **lawer iawn o ddiddordeb** gan ddatblygwyr y sector preifat ac roedd mwy o geisiadau nag y gallai ddarparu ar eu cyfer.



Cyfraniad Ardal Forol Doc Penfro:

- Penodi BAM Nuttall yn brif contractwr ar gyfer y llithrfa, dros £3.8m o wariant gyda chontractwyr lleol ar ddeunyddiau, offer, llafur ac isgontractwyr.
- Mae Walters Group wedi gwario £3.1m pellach ar elfen adfer tir y contract gydag is-gontractwyr lleol.
- Mae R&M Williams, y prif gontractwr sy'n adnewyddu Rhandai'r Awyrendai hanesyddol, wedi gwario tua £1.7-£2m gyda chyflenwyr lleol.


- Mae'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio yn parhau i ymgysylltu â sefydliadau sy'n cynrychioli busnesau fel Sefydliad y Cyfarwyddwyr, a grwpiau busnes rhanbarthol gan gynnwys Clwb Busnes Bae Abertawe, clwb Busnes SA1 a'r sefydliad rhwydweithio rhanbarthol 4theRegion. Mae ymgysylltu hefyd yn parhau gyda Cwmpas, i hyrwyddo'r trydydd sector a menter gymdeithasol.

Mae'r Swyddfa Rheoli Portffolio wedi gwasanaethu cannoedd o ymholiadau gan fusnesau sydd â diddordeb drwy gydol 2022-23, sy'n cael eu dilyn a'u rhannu â phrosiectau a rhanddeiliaid fel y bo'n briodol.

“ Mae Bargaen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe yn parhau i fod yn ffocws ar gyfer cydweithio sy'n cefnogi cyfleoedd busnes lleol yn uniongyrchol ac yn anuniongyrchol.

Mae'r gyfres o brosiectau sy'n gysylltiedig â strategaethau buddsoddi yn sicrhau o fod o gymorth o ran y gwaith parhaus i ffurfio mentrau cyhoeddus-preifat yng Nghlwb Busnes SA1.

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Partneriaid Busnes

Mae'r Fargen Ddinesig yn parhau i weithio mewn partneriaeth â llawer o gwmnïau sector preifat ar draws amrywiaeth o sectorau i gyflawni amcanion y Portffolio.



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Gweithgareddau allweddol ar gyfer Ebrill 2023 - Mawrth 2024

Chwarter 1

Sgiliau a Thalentau: Sefydlu fforwm ieuenctid i roi cyfleoedd i bobl ifanc gael llais sy'n llywio cyfeiriad datblygiadau sgiliau.

Seilwaith Digidol: Cwblhau'r gwaith o recriwtio adnoddau Hyrwyddwyr Digidol yr Awdurdod Lleol.

Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pwer (HAPS):

Lansio'r Gronfa Cymhellion Ariannol (FIF) i gymell Landlordiaid Cymdeithasol Cofrestredig (RSLs), Awdurdodau Lleol a datblygwyr a landlordiaid y Sector Preifat i osod technoleg mewn cartrefi i'w gwneud yn lanach, yn wyrddach ac yn fwy effeithlon.

Pentre Awel: Datblygu prosesau mapio er mwyn sicrhau y gwneir y mwyaf o gyfleoedd ar gyfer gweithio ar draws ffiniau partneriaid. Ymarfer mapio i nodi anghenion/darparwyr sgiliau a bylchau a nodwyd.

Campysau: Ymchwilio i gyfleoedd buddsoddi a mapio rhanddeiliaid.

Yr Egin: Gweithio gydag adnoddau creadigol a digidol mewnol ac apwyntiadau ymgynghori allanol i ddatblygu'r wybodaeth sydd ei hangen i lywio hysbysiad rheoli newid manylach ac achos busnes wedi'i ddiweddarau.

Ardal Ddigidol Abertawe a'r Glannau:

- 71/71 Ffordd y Brenin: Lansio ymgyrch farchnata.
- Matrics Arloesi: Y contractwyr Kier yn dechrau ar y safle a datblygu cais 5G gyda'r Prosiect Seilwaith.

Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel:

- Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru: Cyhoeddi'r contractwr llwyddiannus i adeiladu cyfleuster Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru glannau'r harbwr a dechrau'r cam dylunio 12 mis.

- Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch: Arolwg ymgysylltu cyn y farchnad gyda diwydiannau lleol a rhanddeiliaid.
- Canolfan Dechnoleg Bae Abertawe: Seremoni agoriadol swyddogol
- Prosiect Monitro Ansawdd Aer: Ricardo i barhau â'r gwaith o Sicrhau Ansawdd/Rheoli Ansawdd y rhwydwaith
- Cronfa Datblygu Eiddo: Dyddiad cau ar gyfer ceisiadau Cam 2
- Diweddarau Achos Busnes Portffolio Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel ac Achos Busnes Amlinellol ar gyfer prosiect Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch gwell.
- Cerbyd Allyriadau Isel (LEV): Sefydlu Gweithgor Seilwaith. Grŵp aml-randdeiliad i nodi a mynd i'r afael â gwahanol heriau ar draws yr unedau busnes.
- Rhaglen Ysgogiad Hydrogen (HSP): Llofnodi Cytundeb Cyllido Prifysgol De Cymru.

Ardal Forol Doc Penfro:

- Seilwaith Doc Penfro: Cwblhau ochr ddwyreiniol y llithrfa ym Mhorthladd Penfro a newid drosodd y gweithrediadau byw o'r gorllewin i'r dwyrain. Gwaith dymchwel yr ochr orllewinol yn dechrau.
- Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr: Treialon tynnu i gael eu cynnal yn Nyfrffordd Aberdaugleddau ar gyfer Tyrbin Llanw RRES.
- Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni Morol: Cwblhau Monitro a Gwerthuso Adroddiad ar gyfer WEFO a chyfarfod cyntaf Grŵp Gorchwyl a Gorffen PCCled ar gyfer Cynnig Sgiliau a Thalent Porthladd Rhydd Celtaidd.
- Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro: Cwblhau Cronfa Datblygiad Rhanbarthol yr Undeb Ewropeaidd Gweithgareddau

Chwarter 2

Sgiliau a Thalentau: Mae prosiectau peilot pellach yn symud i'r cam cyflawni, gan gynnwys uwchsgilio staff mewn Prentisiaethau Profiad Defnyddiwr a bydd y rhain yn cael eu cyflwyno ar gyfer Medi 23.

Seilwaith Digidol: Gosod archeb ar gyfer seilwaith ffibr llawn i asedau a lleoliadau'r sector cyhoeddus yn rhanbarthol.

Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pwer (HAPS): Cytuno ar ddyraniadau'r Gronfa Cymhellion Ariannol a chyhoeddi cytundebau cyllido.

Pentre Awel: Cadarnhau cytundebau les, cwblhau arfarniad opsiynau ar gyfer gweithgareddau/prosiectau awyr agored a chwblhau darpariaeth sgiliau addysg a hyfforddiant gyda sefydliadau Addysg Bellach ac Addysg Uwch.

Campysau: Gwelliannau i'r gwasanaeth ac adolygiad o'r effaith ar gleifion.

Yr Egin: Diweddarau achos busnes a chyflwyno cais am reoli newid.

Ardal Ddigidol Abertawe a'r Glannau:

- 71/71 Ffordd y Brenin: Penodi Rheoli Adeiladau
- Matrics Arloesi: Digwyddiad cychwyn ffurfiol. Dyluniad mewnol, gosodion dodrefn a pheynnau Offer a Sain Gweledol wedi'u cwblhau. Materion cyfreithiol tenantiaid yn symud ymlaen.
- Rhodfa Arloesi: Newid Model Busnes a gweithdai Atodlen Adeiladau a gweithdai datrysiadau eiddo yn dechrau.

Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel:

- Cronfa Datblygu Eiddo: Asesu a dyfarnu'r ceisiadau llwyddiannus ar gyfer y gronfa PDF.
- Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch: Arolwg ymgysylltu cyn y farchnad gyda diwydiannau a busnesau lleol a darparwyr Addysg Uwch ac Addysg Bellach.
- Rhaglen Ysgogiad Hydrogen: Comisiynu electroleiddiwr i gynhyrchu Hydrogen
- Canolfan Dechnoleg Bae Abertawe: Gweithgaredd parhaus i hyrwyddo'r ganolfan a sicrhau tenantiaid newydd
- Cerbyd Allyriadau Isel: Pob awdurdod lleol i gyfarfod a thrafod dull rhanbarthol

Ardal Forol Doc Penfro:

- Seilwaith Doc Penfro: Angorfa a chomisiynu pontynau cychod gwaith newydd a chwblhau'r gwaith o adeiladu Randai'r Awyrendai.
- Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr: Cymryd rhan yn 10fed Cynhadledd PRIMaRE, sy'n darparu fforwm ar gyfer cyfnewid yr ymchwil a'r datblygiadau diweddaraf a meithrin cydweithrediadau ym maes Morol. Ynni Adnewyddadwy.
- Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni Morol: Cwblhau gweithrediadau a ariennir gan WEFO gan ddilyn â gweithgaredd Y Gronfa Waddol Dechrau cyflwyno Rhaglen Fit 4 Offshore Renewables carfan De Cymru.
- Parth Arddangos Sir Benfro: Diweddarau ac alinio Cynllun Busnes Ardal Forol Doc Penfro i rownd prydlesu masnachol Ystâd y Goron a Dyluniad Rhwydwaith Cyfannol y Gweithredwr Systemau Trydan.



Gweithgareddau allweddol ar gyfer Ebrill 2023 - Mawrth 2024

Chwarter 3

Sgiliau a Thalentau: Mae cynllunio ar y gweill gyda rhanddeiliaid i gyflwyno prosiect profiad gwaith rhanbarthol.

Seilwaith Digidol: Cynnal asesiad o effaith buddion ar gyfer 2022-23. Alinio buddsoddiad gwledig y rhaglen i Brosiect Gigabit a dull Llywodraeth Cymru o yrru band eang sy'n gallu trosglwyddo ar gyfradd gigabit i adeiladau anodd iawn eu cyrraedd yn y rhanbarth.

Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pwer (HAPS): Lansio'r Gronfa Cadwyn Gyflenwi (SCF) sydd i gefnogi gweithgareddau a fydd yn arwain at ddatblygu cadwyn gyflenwi ranbarthol yn llwyddiannus wrth gynhyrchu, cyrchu, gosod, gweithredu, rheoli a chynnal technolegau adnewyddadwy.

Pentre Awel: Cwblhau cynllunio prosiectau a strwythur gweithredol ar gyfer yr elfennau byw â chymorth ym Mharth 2 a 3.

Campysau: Sefydlu Canolfan Arloesi Sefydliad Gwyddorau Bywyd yn Ysbyty Treforys.

Yr Egin: Proses gymeradwyo Bargen Ddinesig Bae Abertawe ar gyfer yr achos busnes wedi'i ddiweddarau a hysbysiad rheoli newid.

Ardal Ddigidol Abertawe a'r Glannau:

- 71/71 Ffordd y Brenin: Dechrau gwaith ar y man cyhoeddus allanol.
- Matrics Arloesi: Digwyddiad Cwrdd â'r Prynwr - Gweithredwr Caffi. Bydd canlyniad cais 5G gyda'r Prosiect Seilwaith Digidol yn hysbys.
- Rhodfa Arloesi: Rheoli Newid yn symud ymlaen i broses gymeradwyo'r Fargen Ddinesig.

Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel:

- Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch: Cyflwyno a chymeradwyo Achos Busnes Amlinellol sy'n ymgorffori canolfan ragoriaeth Sgiliau Sero Net. Contract i'w hysbysebu ar gyfer proses ddylunio ac adeiladu 2 gam.
- Rhaglen Ysgogiad Hydrogen: Edrych ar newid cerbydau fflyd am gerbydau cyfatebol sy'n cael eu pweru gan hydrogen.

Ardal Forol Doc Penfro:

- Seilwaith Doc Penfro: BAM Nuttall i gwblhau llithrfa fawr iawn, cychod gwaith, a throsglwyddo i Borthladd Aberdaugleddau (MHPA)
- Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr: Cymryd rhan mewn Gweithdy 10fed Pen-blwydd Rhyngwladol WaTERS sy'n ysgogi cydweithredu a throsglwyddo gwybodaeth rhwng canolfannau profi a rhanbarthau byd-eang
- Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni Morol: Dechrau cyflwyno Rhaglen Fit4OR carfan Gogledd Cymru.



Chwarter 4

Sgiliau a Thalentau: Adolygiad Baromedr gyda ffocws ar gapasiti addysgol.

Seilwaith Digidol: Lansio Rhwydwaith Arloesi Digidol a 5G, cyfleoedd Rhyngrwyd Pethau.

Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pwer (HAPS): Digwyddiad i randdeiliaid rannu gwersi a ddysgwyl yn dilyn comisiwn Ysgol Bensaerniaeth Cymru Prifysgol Caerdydd i gynnal monitro technegol cartrefi sydd wedi mabwysiadu'r 'dull Cartrefi yn Orsafoedd Pŵer'.

Pentre Awel: Parth 1 - ffrâm strwythurol yr adeilad a lloiau wedi'u cwblhau a strwythur gweithredol cyn cwblhau'r adeilad ym mis Hydref 2024.

Campysau: Cyflwyno cais cynllunio i ddatgloi safle ehangach Ysbyty Treforys.

Yr Egin: Dylunio a chaffael datrysiaid cymeradwy ar gyfer Egin cam 2.

Ardal Ddigidol Abertawe a'r Glannau:

- 71/71 Ffordd y Brenin: Cwblhau'r adeilad yn ymarferol a dechrau'r gwaith Gosod.
- Matrics Arloesi: Matrics Arloesi: Gwaith gosod terfynol yn dechrau a gwaith cyfreithiol tenantiaid yn dod i ben
- Rhodfa Arloesi: Cam cynllunio ffurfiol yn dechrau.

Cefnogi Arloesedd a Thwf Carbon Isel:

- Prosiect Monitro Ansawdd Aer: Dadansoddiad o ymarfer casglu data blwyddyn 2
- Canolfan Ddiwydiannol Pontio o Garbon De Cymru: Gorffen y cam dylunio a pharatoi ar gyfer y cam adeiladu
- Cyfleuster Cynhyrchu Gweithgynhyrchu Uwch: Gwerthuso cyflwyniadau tendr a chyhoeddi contractwr llwyddiannus

Ardal Forol Doc Penfro:

- Seilwaith Doc Penfro: Cwblhau pecyn gwaith Adfer Tir a throsglwyddo ardaloedd adeiladu newydd o'r Walters Group i Awdurdod Porthladd Aberdaugleddau.
- Ardal Profi Ynni'r Môr: Cymryd rhan yng Nghynhadledd Ynni Môr Cymru, y digwyddiad mwyaf sy'n ymroddedig i ynni adnewyddadwy'r môr yn y DU
- Canolfan Ragoriaeth Peirianeg Ynni Morol: Dechrau darparu rhaglen gyntaf Launch Academy yng Nghymru.



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Portfolio Annual Report 2022-23





Executive Summary



Creating our future together

Welcome to the third Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Annual Report that encapsulates a summary of a unique £1.2 billion investment across a regional portfolio of nine headline programmes and projects, throughout the counties of Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea.

The ambitious Portfolio will deliver some key benefits to the region over its 15 year life by:

- Creating over **9,000** jobs in areas including energy, manufacturing, digital, health and wellness, R&D, education, retail, leisure and tourism.
- Helping **14,000** people upskill, through **2,200** training opportunities and over **3,000** new apprenticeships.
- Contributing **£1.8-2.4 billion** additional regional Gross Value Added (GVA).
- Transforming South West Wales into a place of opportunity for everyone, where people can live and work, have quality education, jobs and healthcare and where businesses can thrive.

Aligned to three themes of economic acceleration, energy and smart manufacturing, and life science and well-being, all nine business cases have been approved by the Welsh Government and the UK Government, which means that the entire portfolio is now in full delivery.

This report reflects the ambition of the SBCD and summarises the key milestones over the last 12 months (April 2022 – March 2023). It provides up-to-date summaries and the status of each project and programme, as well as containing case studies of key achievements, the benefits and impact delivered to date, communications and marketing activity, business engagement and a financial summary. Additionally, the report outlines some of the key activity we expect to see delivered in the financial year between April 2023 - March 2024.

The portfolio will deliver:



The key SBCD partners are:



The Portfolio Themes



The programmes and projects within the Portfolio cover three themes:

Economic acceleration	Life sciences & well being	Energy and smart manufacturing
<p>Providing the space, skills and connectivity to drive forward the regional economy to provide new opportunities for our businesses and communities to thrive.</p>	<p>Providing integrated developments that will combine cutting edge innovation, research and learning facilities with new business and within areas of life sciences, health, wellbeing and sport.</p>	<p>Placing the region at the forefront of energy and manufacturing innovation as part of the drive towards a low carbon economy and the strengthening of the existing manufacturing base.</p>
<p>£296.3m Total investment</p> <p>£1.08bn Additional Gross Value Added</p> <p>1,708 New Jobs</p>	<p>£331.4m Total investment</p> <p>£617m Additional Gross Value Added</p> <p>2,973 New Jobs</p>	<p>£628.9m Total investment</p> <p>£687m Additional Gross Value Added</p> <p>5,005 New Jobs</p>

Forewords



Cllr Rob Stewart

Swansea Council Leader
and Swansea Bay City Deal
Joint Committee Chairman

This year has seen further significant progress throughout the delivery of the portfolio, ongoing growth and investment across our region, continued economic recovery and the achievement of further key milestones.

We have continued to build success through our collaborative working, with the four local authorities, two health boards and two universities, and regional businesses supporting each other for our economy to grow, and we have seen further transformation across South West Wales with many projects excelling in delivery.

Complementary to the regions ambitions and the City Deals investment objectives, many other regional initiatives are coming to fruition. These include several Levelling Up Funding bids, the successful Celtic Freeport bid, securing commitment from Skyline, the Blue Eden project and the Global Centre of Rail Excellence in Wales.

I look forward to another exciting 12 months for the SBCD and feel privileged to be part of the fantastic journey that is shaping our region for the better.



Wendy Walters

Carmarthenshire County
Council Chief Executive and
Swansea Bay City Deal Senior
Responsible Owner

As the Senior Responsible Owner for the SBCD I am delighted with the progress that has been made over the last 12 months. The portfolio has celebrated its full delivery having secured all funding from the UK Government and the Welsh Government back at the end of 2021.

We have continued to strive forward to create jobs, realise aspirations and transform our region to the perfect place to work and live. Swansea Arena has been open for a full year, welcoming over 240,000 visitors and the Bay Technology Centre has also welcomed its first tenants. We have witnessed the ground breaking of Pentre Awel, The Innovation Matrix and elements at Pembroke Dock Marine project, as well as significant construction on the Kingsway. The three regional projects are also progressing well and all of which are starting to have an impact on our region.

We continue to follow robust governance and our monitoring and reporting ensure that everyone is kept up to date with the latest developments. We are working hard to build on the success of the last 12 months and move forward with our commitment to improve the South West Wales economy, creating a prosperous future for generations to come.



Jonathan Burnes

Swansea Bay City Deal
Portfolio Director

The dedicated and hard work of our regional partners is starting to pay off. 2022-23 has been highly successful. We have seen a series of planning applications awarded, commencement of groundworks on key sites across the region, tenders being developed, and contractors appointed to flagship initiatives, contracts being awarded to the local supply chain, and partnering between industry and training providers to offer opportunities for young people gain valuable skills that equip them to become our future workforce.

The momentum with delivery is reflected in our increasing marketing, communications, and business engagement activity. All this positivity doesn't mean our work is done though. We will continue to improve and push to realise our regional ambitions. Attracting further contractors for the design and build of infrastructure, partner with operators to manage the facilities, develop partnership and collaborations for R&D, innovation and skills development initiatives, work with businesses, tenants and partners to ensure we meet their immediate and growth needs and most importantly tell you all about the amazing opportunities we have to offer both within region and with broader investors and collaborators.

The SBCD Portfolio Office will continue to offer a professional service that supports regional partners and both Governments to deliver key benefits that make a real difference to people and businesses.



Chris Foxall

Swansea Bay City Deal
Economic Strategy Board
Chairman

The Economic Strategy Board has been involved in yet another busy year advocating, amplifying and advising the SBCD with this once in a generation opportunity to transform South West Wales.

We have met with several projects both in person and online over the last 12 months, using our boards experiences in sectors including Housing, Finance, Energy, Healthcare, Manufacturing and the hydrogen economy. We have provided advice, guidance and important links between the public and private sector. In particular, we advised the HAPS team on creating energy efficient homes. Digital Infrastructure outlined the progress of the project and opportunities for business across the region where we were able to see first-hand some of the important work being undertaken in partnership with Private Sector Organisations. We learnt more about the Skills & Talent skills gaps barometer and the Designation Renewables pilot project. Finally, we visited the PDM project for an update and a tour to see the progress and vast opportunities associated with the Port of Milford Haven. PDM should help secure more opportunities from the massive floating offshore wind potential in the Celtic sea.

We will continue with our advisory role over the next 12 months and look forward to seeing further progress as the projects progress through to delivery and operation, which will maximise opportunities for businesses of all sizes across the region.





Home as Power Stations (HAPS)



£505.5m Total Investment
£15.0m City Deal
£114.6m Public Sector
£375.9m Private Sector

This is a pioneering project that will facilitate the adoption of energy efficient design and renewable technologies into homes across the region – helping to tackle fuel poverty, cut regional carbon emissions and support local economic growth.

Supporting development of both new build schemes and retrofitting of existing homes will enable a programme of comprehensive monitoring and data collection. Financial support to develop renewable technologies within the region will ensure there is a sustainable local supply chain.



£251m
Contribution to Regional GVA

1,804
Jobs Created

10,300 New and Existing Homes fitted with Renewable Technologies

10,417+ KWh
Energy Saving

19,000+ Tonnes of CO² Reductions Per Year

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Established governance arrangements, including the HAPS Project Board.
- Formalised stakeholder engagement plan and project delivery implementation plan created.

Quarter 2

- Primary Funding Agreement created between the Accountable Body and Neath Port Talbot Council.
- Assurance Gateway Review undertaken with a Amber/Red rating.
- Monitoring and Evaluation contract advertised on Sell2Wales.

Quarter 3

- Gateway Assurance Action Plan implemented.
- Richard Lewis appointed as a Technical Co-ordinator.
- Cardiff University awarded the Monitoring and Evaluation contract.
- Opus contracted to support with Supply Chain work.

Quarter 4

- Supply Chain Event held at Parc Y Scarlets which brought together Registered Social Landlords and influential people from the four Local Authorities.
- Continued work with UK Government and Welsh Government to ensure the Optimised Retrofit Programme and ECO 4 Flex opportunities are maximised.
- £75k of funding secured from Microgeneration Certification Scheme (MCS) to support skills development with associated HAPS technologies.
- Opus completed the Supply Chain Mapping consultancy work.
- Confirmation of £41m public and £1.4m private investment for 2022-23 through 187 newbuild and 6 retrofit HAPS homes.
- Further preparatory work for the launch of the Supply Chain Fund and the Financial Incentives Fund.



Skills and Talent



£30.5m Total Investment
£10.0m City Deal
£16.0m Public Sector
£4.5m Private Sector

With a particular focus on growth areas in the digital, construction, energy, smart manufacturing and health and wellbeing sectors, the programme will deliver 2,200 additional skills and development opportunities, 14,000 higher skills individuals and at least 3,000 new apprenticeships - which will support businesses by allowing them to grow and future proof through developing a talented workforce.

Working alongside partners from the private sector, higher and further education, schools and the third sector, the programme team are periodically identifying gaps in current provision and establish the changes needed to develop new courses and frameworks to meet these skill gaps. Pilot projects are being developed and deployed which align to the needs of industry and the key SBCD themes.

2,200
Additional Skills

14,000
Upskilling Opportunities

3,000 New Apprenticeships Opportunities

20
New Course Framework

2+
Centres of Excellence Developed

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Approval of the first pilot project by the Regional Skills and Learning Partnership (RSLP). Destination Renewables, in partnership with Pembrokeshire College and Pembrokeshire County Council will prepare learners for a career in the renewable energy sector.

Quarter 2

- Pembrokeshire College held an engagement event for local businesses and students taking part in Destination Renewables.
- Destination Renewables began delivery.
- Five pilot projects approved by the RSLP board including the Low Carbon Net Zero Awareness Raising project, Battery Manufacturing Skills, 21st Century Skills, Digital Sector pilot and the Nurturing Health and Wellbeing in a Digital World projects.

Quarter 3

- Enfys Stallard appointed as a Quality Performance and Monitoring Officer and Leanne Roberts as a Skills Development Officer.
- Destination Renewables wins the Offshore Wind Energy Skills Award 2022 in the Renewables UK Offshore Wind Awards and a finalist in the Wales STEM Awards 2022.
- RLSP held an event to launch their regional employment and skills plan.

Quarter 4

- Three further pilot projects approved by the RSLP board including the 5G Technologies Training How Green Was My Valley and Net Zero Wales Skills projects.
- Completion of an Assurance Gateway Review resulting in a second consecutive Green Rating.
- Julian Lloyd appointed as a Careers Pathway Project Officer.





Digital Infrastructure



£69.1m Total Investment
£24.5m City Deal
£13.5m Public Sector
£31.1m Private Sector

Digital infrastructure is a cross cutting theme through all the Swansea Bay City Deal projects and programmes. It is essential to the delivery of regional partner's digital transformation agendas, the economic growth of the region and improving social inclusion.

The aspirations of the programme can only be achieved by working collaboratively with industry, government, and regional partners. Sharing both successes and challenges, using data to make decisions and being agile in delivery.



£318.8m Contribution to Regional GVA

10+ Community Broadband Projects

200+ Public Sector Sites upgraded to full fibre

250+ Internet of Things Getaways Deployed

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Participation in UK Government's National DCIA Early Adopters Group to gain insight of the lessons learned and best practice emerging from national pilot schemes.
- Supporting the deployment of digital infrastructure on public sector owned assets.
- Installation of regional LoRaWAN Gateways commenced, creating a Regional Digital Innovation Network which public and private sector partners can use to trial and test Internet of Things (IoT) applications.
- Significant regional private sector investment announcements made by Openreach & Ogi.

Quarter 2

- Initiated pre-market engagement with fibre builders to test proposed approach to delivering fibre connectivity to public sector sites and assets across the region.
- Launched consultation to identify opportunities for exploitation of digital infrastructure across the region to inform a regional digital portfolio.



Better broadband for everyone... leaving nobody behind.



A smart region ready and able to **innovate** and adopt emerging technology.



An **inclusive digital landscape** that meets everyone's needs.

Quarter 3

- Additional £100k funding allocated to expand the Regional Digital Innovation Network.
- Initiated pause and review of Connected Places workstream following publication of fibre accessibility across the region with an aim to ensure best value for public money.
- Completed recruitment of Local Authority hosted resources for our Next Generation Wireless and Rural workstreams.

Quarter 4

- Completed benefits realisation for 2021-22 which confirmed significant public and private investment in the region of £7.6m and £21.8m respectively.
- Completed pause and review of Connected Places workstream and identified the most appropriate delivery routes for moving forward with capital spend.
- Established plans and timescales for significant Shared Rural Network (SRN) investment across the region working with UK Government and Welsh Government.

Continual dialogue and engagement in 2022-23:

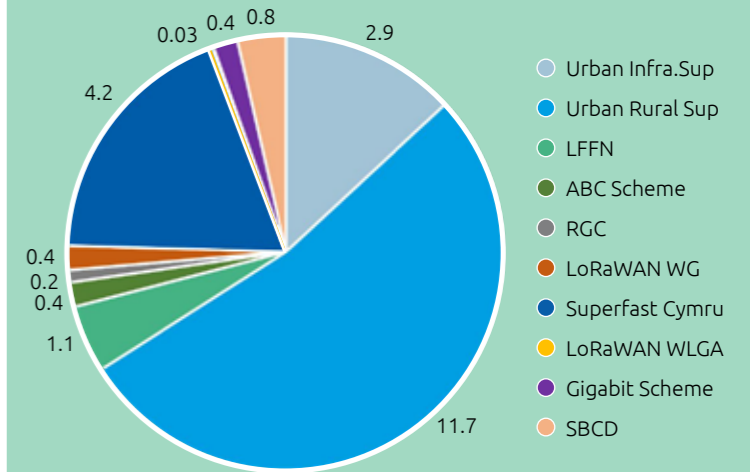
- Supplier and government lobbying and engagement.
- Facilitation of planned regional fibre build by private sector partners.
- Reviewed projected Gigabit broadband coverage alongside Welsh Government and take decisions on our rural superfast broadband procurement.

Improving Connectivity for South West Wales

Following the completion of the benefits realisation for the financial year 2021-22, which occurred in 2022-23, it showed that the programme has already excelled in meeting investment expectations.

- We said we would deliver **£2.5m Public Sector Investment**, we actually delivered **£7.6m**
- We said we would deliver **£0m Private Sector Investment**, we actually delivered **£14.56m**
- We said we would deliver **£0.5m SBCD regional investment**, we actually delivered **£0.5m**

Summary of investment (£m)



As a result of this investment in May 2022:

- The region was above the Welsh average for gigabit capable connectivity.
- The region was on par with the rest of the UK average for superfast connectivity.
- Over **100,000** additional premises across the region now have access to gigabit connectivity.
- Improved 4G coverage across the region with all four authorities above the Welsh and UK average for percentage coverage for 4G across all 4 network providers.





Yr Egin



£25.2m Total Investment
£5.0m City Deal
£18.5m Public Sector
£1.7m Private Sector

Canolfan S4C Yr Egin is a digital and creative cluster at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David (UWTSD) in Carmarthen. Its iconic building boasts an auditorium, superfast connectivity, state-of-the-art office spaces and post-production facilities for professional and community activities.

Welsh language broadcaster S4C as its anchor tenant and many leading creative and digital co-locate within the centre, with the occupancy rate always over 90%. Yr Egin aims to be a catalyst for a creative cluster community, inspire collaboration, develop talent, and enhance the status of the Welsh language.

The forthcoming Yr Egin Phase 2 will further support the creative industry sector in the region, which is anticipated to be around the provision of a Digital Production Facility.

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- The University conducted a Creative Sector Demand Study with the findings reported to the Portfolio Management Office (PoMO) and a Change Identification Process formally started for Yr Egin Phase 2.

Quarter 2

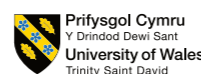
- UWTSD internal team met to discuss the delivery strategy required following the Creative Sector Demand Study.
- S4C and UWTSD join the LocalMotion Carmarthen project which plans to create the happiest and most prosperous town in Wales.

Quarter 3

- UWTSD internal team developed a new delivery strategy for Phase 2.
- First International Media Festival of Wales held in Yr Egin.
- S4C celebrated 40 years of broadcasting.

Quarter 4

- University engaged with expert consultants to develop a proposal for Phase 2 centred around the provision of a Digital Production Facility in an existing University space.
- Phase 1 maintained an occupancy level of 95%. Tenants included S4C, Atebol, Boom Cymru, Carlam, Moilin, Rural Office, Stiwdiobox and Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru.



Campuses



£130.9m Total Investment
£15.0m City Deal
£58.5m Public Sector
£57.4m Private Sector

Delivering two complementary initiatives on the Singleton Campus at Swansea University and Morriston Hospital, this project will add value to the regional life science, health and sport sectors.

Advanced research and development facilities will be created. Collaboration between academic research, industry and the NHS will place this project at the forefront of new technologies to improve healthcare, while creating opportunities for new life science and sport-tech companies and creating highly skilled jobs for people in the region.

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Ecological assessment was conducted at the Singleton site and a revised cost estimated was made for new build.
- Following a Gateway Review in July 2021 the recommendations were addressed, with eight actions completed and three ongoing. The three ongoing actions will remain open for the duration of the project and they will be continually reviewed at regular points.

Quarter 2

- Welsh Government Minister for the Economy Vaughan Gething visited Swansea University's Singleton Campus to meet key stakeholders and learn more about the project.
- Clare Henson appointed as Project Manager and Sara Merrells as Project Officer.
- Review of Primary Funding Agreement drafted between Swansea Council and Swansea University.

Quarter 3

- Alex Evans appointed as Business Development and Communications Manager.
- Morriston Site Management Centre design brief signed off by Swansea University.

Quarter 4

- Discussions continued between Swansea University and Swansea Council on the Funding Agreement with final amendments being reviewed prior to sign off.
- Swansea University appointed a multi-discipline design team for the new build at the Singleton site.
- Ecology survey instructed on the Morriston access road.



£150m
Contribution to Regional GVA



1,120
Jobs Created



2,000m² Sports Tech & Med
Tech Research and Innovation Space



700m² Centre for Commercial
and Academic Collaboration



300+
Cluster Companies



100+ Innovation and
Commercial Opportunities



£89.5m
Contribution to Regional GVA



427
Jobs Created



150 Skills and Training
Opportunities Created



167 Construction Workplace
Employment Opportunities



3,912m²
Workplace Created During Phase 1



25 Creative Sector
Small Businesses Incubated





Pentre Awel



£200.5m Total Investment
£40.0m City Deal
£52.3m Public Sector
£108.2m Private Sector

Combining life science research, business development facilities, community healthcare, assisted living and a state-of-the-art leisure and aquatics centre, Llanelli's Pentre Awel will be among the first development of its kind.

Education and training facilities will be at the heart of the project and will focus on training the next generation of healthcare professionals.



LLANELLI - SIR GAERFYRDDIN - CYMRU

Pentre Awel

LLANELLI - CARMARTHENSHIRE - WALES



£467m
 Contribution to Regional GVA



1,853
 Jobs Created



50,000m² Development
 across all four zones



12,000m² Community Research,
 Education & Clinical Space



80 Life Science Businesses
 Established / Supported

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Strategic partnership with Cardiff University (CU) established to lead on the innovation and business development functions.
- A team established to consider how the outdoor space can be used to align with the project objectives of health promotion, prevention and facilitating independence.
- Approval of the Reserve Matters Application by the Planning Committee. Ecology and Ground Investigations Surveys undertaken.
- Bouygues UK (BYUK) engaged with local organisations to plan a programme of community benefits, focusing on recruitment and training, supply chain, schools and community engagement.
- Procured design and development of zone 3, the assisted living and business expansion space.

Quarter 2

- UK Government Minister David T C Davies visited the site to meet key partners.
- BYUK completed key pre-construction activities and circulated their first community newsletter, promoted the community ambassador scheme, and engaged with over 700 pupils in local schools.
- First research project began – a partnership with a local pharmacy and the Scarlets to begin the pump priming of research activities and develop proof of concept.
- Education, Skills and Training mapping exercise completed including baseline of current course/programme provision in relevant subject areas. This will identify additional provision needed to ensure sustainable staffing and help address recruitment/retention challenges in the wider area.

Quarter 3

- Enabling work commenced comprising of a site strip and new drainage.
- UWTSO had the Memorandum of Understanding to deliver skills and training at Pentre Awel and focused on development of the business case to ensure sustainable delivery to meet needs.
- Research and Innovation discussions held with the three universities and Hwyl Dda University Health Board to set the parameters for research and innovation development.

Quarter 4

- Pre-construction programme completed, and construction contract approved by CCC Full Council. Ground-breaking Event with UK Government Secretary of State for Wales.
- Meet the Contractor event held for residents, beginning a series of monthly drop-in surgeries.
- BYUK deliverables for recruitment and training set with a minimum of 4,680 person weeks to be delivered. During pre-construction BYUK delivered 1000+ pupil interactions, 30 hours of STEM engagement and welcomed 350 pupils to its Believe Academy.
- Welsh Language Action Plan and Impact Assessment developed to ensure there is a positive impact on use and accessibility of Welsh.
- Winner of the BYUK Sustainability Award 2023 for saving over 77,600kg of Carbon Dioxide being emitted on the site over a 15-week period.

Pharmabees Project

Building on the Accelerate project and supporting biodiversity in Llanelli, Cardiff University worked with Ysgol Pen Rhos and the council to create pollinator friendly habitats. A bee hive was installed at the school and the children were engaged in activities that supported biodiversity, environmental improvement and within the wider green space provided opportunities for their family to spend time in nature.

Long Covid Study

As a proof of concept project Cardiff University sourced funding to support a medical study to test the benefits of a hyperbaric oxygen therapy on long covid. A hyperbaric Oxygen chamber was located within the Scarlet Rugby training base, patients were identified by a local pharmacy and a programme of treatment designed. This trial was designed to test private/public/academic collaborative working.

Making Spaces for Nature

An academic and enterprise partnership that aims to work with surrounding community to coproduce plans for improving the quality and access to natural spaces. The co-production process identified several key recommendations to create a more inclusive and accessible outdoor space that prioritise both the health and wellbeing of community members and the preservation of the natural environment.



Through the Pharmabees project the school is working on with Pentre Awel, the expertise that the researchers have brought to the classroom has been influential. We are proud that our children are presenting at conferences to academics about bi-reactors, biodiversity, climate change, micro-plastics on their local beach, and the anti-cancer properties of the bees' honey in our school hive! This partnership has inspired many children to become scientists and study for a degree.

Joe Cudd
 Headteacher, Ysgol Pen Rhos





Supporting Innovation & Low Carbon Growth



£59.6m Total Investment
£48.3m City Deal
£5.8m Public Sector
£5.5m Private Sector

This programme will deliver seven projects that support jobs and growth in the low carbon technology and innovation sectors.

1. The Bay Technology Centre (BTC) provides flexible office and laboratory space.
2. South Wales Industrial Transition from Carbon Hub (SWITCH) is an industrial decarbonisation research facility.
3. The Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility (AMPF) provides hybrid facilities, production units and office space in conjunction with an apprentice block.

4. Property Development Fund (PDF) consists of £4.5m of gap funding aimed to encourage development in the Port Talbot Waterfront area.
5. To develop a Low Emission Vehicle (LEV) charging strategy for the NPT area.
6. The Air Quality Monitoring Project (AQMP) will test alternative low-cost sensors to assess air quality and pollution.
7. Hydrogen Stimulus Project (HSP) will enable excess renewable electricity from BTC to be converted to hydrogen fuel for vehicles.

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Morgan Sindall the building contractor for BTC win two awards: Net Zero Award in Constructing Excellence Wales (CEW) 2022 and the Sustainability Award in the Insider Wales Property Awards 2022.
- Details released of how local companies can access the PDF which will help businesses expand in the region through various infrastructure improvements.
- Mapping exercise of all internal, external, and public Zero Vehicle Emission locations.

Quarter 2

- Handover of the BTC from Morgan Sindall to Neath Port Talbot Council (NPT) and the first two tenants take up occupation. Building wins Commercial Property Project of the Year in the British Construction Industry (BCI) awards 2022.
- Tender posted on eTender for the Design and Build of the SWITCH project.
- Queens Commonwealth Baton relay passes the Baglan Bay Energy Parks' Hydrogen Centre.

Quarter 3

- NPTC Internal audit undertaken with a result of 'Substantial Assurance' – the highest achievable rating for the SILCG Programme
- BTC promotional video recorded and released.
- Open day on 19th October at SU Bay campus and SAMI (Singleton Campus) for prospective contractors to see facilities and equipment to gain better understanding of requirements for SWITCH facility.
- Data Analyst recruited for AQMP to evaluate data and inform future improvement initiatives in air quality for Neath Port Talbot and the region.
- £12.5m worth of applications to the £4.5m Property Development Fund grant
- Hydrogen Stimulus Project, funding agreement between NPT and USW developed.

Quarter 4

- Finalised the letter of indemnity with Swansea University for SWITCH, which will allow progress into procurement.
- Closing of stage 1 applications for the PDF
- Ricardo consultants appointed to undertake year 2 of AQMP activities.
- HSP procurement process for the electrolyser equipment commenced.
- AMPF held pre-market engagement meetings held with industry, academia and Welsh Government.

The Bay Technology Centre

Constructed by Morgan Sindall and located on Baglan Bay Energy Park, this modern office and laboratory space and an energy positive building - the first of its kind in Wales.

All electric building with zero fossil fuels used

Accelerated payback period of **7.8yrs**

Digitally modelled

PV panels integrated into façade of the building

Energy performance exceeds building regulations by **281%**

42% improvement in water efficiency compared to BREEAM 2018 baseline

Surrounded by **407m²** of wet woodland

2,500m² of flexible office and laboratory space

Built on time and within budget

The Bay Technology Centre already has five tenants, including Crossflow Energy a leading Welsh renewable energy technology specialist who has relocated to the premises.

“ Our objective is to help businesses across the world leverage the power of 'small wind' to support them in the roll-out of clean, reliable energy solutions. Now we have a property that allows us to practice what we preach.

It is a new area for Crossflow Energy, and we now have a base that meets our own sustainable ambitions.

Martin Barnes
 CEO at Crossflow Energy



This project is part funded by the European Regional Development Fund through the Welsh Government.

£93m
 Contribution to Regional GVA

1,320
 Jobs Created

18,500m² Floor Space Created for the Low Energy Sector

£10m
 Property Development Fund

45 Enterprises Contributing to Supported Research

4 patents
 Registered for Products



Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District



£171.5m Total Investment
£50.0m City Deal
£84.7m Public Sector
£36.9m Private Sector

With the aim to drive regional and City economic development and growth, this programme includes:

1. Swansea Arena development at the £135m Copr Bay phase one district in the city centre.
2. A state-of-the-art office development at 71/72 Kingsway providing space for 600 jobs, flexible co-working environments and office space for the innovative technology and digital sectors. It will be a carbon net zero building when in operation.
3. Innovation Matrix and Innovation Precinct developments delivered by the University of Wales Trinity St David (UWTSD), intended to harbour startup businesses and fostering entrepreneurship through close links with academia.

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Swansea Council Beyond Bricks and Mortar Team won a highly commended award at the UK-wide Go Awards Scheme for their work on the Arena.
- Pile capping, drainage and preparation work continued at 71/72 Kingsway.
- Planning approval received and stage 4 design substantially complete for the Innovation Matrix. Kier Group hosted a Meet the Buyer Event to discuss the supply chain opportunities.
- Innovation Matrix Stage 3 design completed.

Quarter 2

- 100,000 tickets sold at the Arena including John Bishop, Alice Cooper and Kaiser Chiefs.
- Base slab levels completed and pouring commenced at the 71/72 Kingsway.

Quarter 3

- 145,000 tickets sold at the Arena and the Swansea Council Beyond Bricks and Mortar Team finalised benefit data.
- Bouygues UK welcome Civil Engineering students from Swansea University to the 71/72 Kingsway to learn about construction, and the career opportunities available.
- UWTSD drafted the first stage of the Change Request Notification for the Innovation Precinct which looked at refurbishing an existing building in the city centre.
- Innovation Matrix building contract negotiated and agreed.

Quarter 4

- Swansea Arena celebrates its 1-year anniversary.
- Work on the hotel programme and design continued.
- Construction on schedule for the 71/72 Kingsway with groundworks completed. Swansea Council organised a tour to encourage children to consider a career in construction and engineering.
- 71/72 Kingsway became a finalist in the Bouygues UK Sustainability Awards 2023.
- Innovation Matrix commenced on site.
- Innovation Precinct design development commenced.

Swansea Arena: 1 Year of Operation

- Nearly **240,900** visitors
- 74** ticketed performances
- 45** days of conferences and exhibitions
- 32** Creative Learning events with **1,340** attendees
- Nearly **79%** occupancy on ticketed shows (target was 65% for first year)
- 24** permanent jobs created with many more occasional staff opportunities

Since its official opening by UK Government and Welsh Government Ministers in March 2023, Swansea Arena has welcomed over 240,000 visitors in its first full year of operation.

Following a series of test events, comedian John Bishop was the first star to take to the stage, and since then many other major performances have included, Alice Cooper and The Cult, Royal Blood and Michael McIntyre as well as events such as 4theRegion City Centre Conference, Gaming Conventions, Public Sector meetings and university graduation ceremonies.

Developed by the Buckingham Group on behalf of Swansea Council and run by Ambassador Theatre Group (ATG) the arena is part of Swansea's £135m Copr Bay district project that also includes a coastal park, and the new bridge over Oystermouth Road. A hotel development is also being planned, which will soon be announced.



“ Since its opening, the arena has been a game-changer, revitalising the local economy, providing numerous opportunities for growth and having a significant positive effect on businesses in the area. The arena has not only created new opportunities for businesses but also generated a vibrant and dynamic atmosphere in the city centre, further enhancing Swansea's reputation as a thriving destination.

We have received reports from several establishments that they have experienced a remarkable surge in business. In some cases, businesses have verbally reported an incredible increase of around 200% in their customer base since the arena opened its doors. It has become a major attraction, drawing a significant number of visitors to Swansea from both within the city and beyond. As a result, local businesses, such as restaurants, cafes, and bars in particular, have witnessed a tremendous increase in footfall and customer demand. The increased business activity has had a ripple effect throughout the local economy. Businesses have been able to expand their operations, invest in improvements, and hire additional staff to meet the growing demand. This has led to job creation, increased tax revenue, and a general economic boost for the city.

It has given new life to the local economy, creating a thriving and prosperous environment for businesses to flourish. As Swansea BID, we are committed to supporting and capitalising on this positive momentum, ensuring that the benefits of the arena continue to be felt throughout the BID area community.

Russell Greenslade
 Chief Executive, Swansea Business Improvement District (BID)



71/72 Kingsway is part funded by the European Regional Development Fund through the Welsh Government.

£669.8m
 Contribution to Regional GVA

1,281
 Jobs Created

50+ Opportunities and space for Graduate Start-Ups

8,700+
 Training Weeks

10,684m² Facility for Digitally Focussed Businesses

3,500
 Capacity Indoor Arena



Pembroke Dock Marine



£63.9m Total Investment
£28.0m City Deal
£18.4m Public Sector
£17.5m Private Sector

This project will establish a world class marine energy and engineering fabrication, test and deployment hub, delivering the support and infrastructure needed to grow Wales' low carbon economy further.

The project expands upon the region's established facilities and extensive skill base, ensuring maximum operational efficiency and increased innovation opportunities, which will help drive down marine energy production costs.

Focusing on the growth of decarbonised energy production, the project includes dedicated early stage and commercial scale test sites, a CATAPULT innovation centre, and industry focused port infrastructure to ensure developers improve the effectiveness, cost efficiencies and installation of their innovative technology across four headline projects:

1. Pembroke Dock Infrastructure (PDI) will reshape the physical infrastructure of Pembroke Port to ensure maximum operational efficiencies for UK industry.
2. Marine Energy Test Area (META) will create pre-consented and licensed zones within the Milford Haven Waterway for component and scaled device testing.
3. Marine Energy Engineering Centre of Excellence (MEECE) will conduct life testing of marine energy components to boost their longevity.
4. Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone (PDZ) enable offshore renewable infrastructure to catalyse the Celtic Sea floating offshore wind and marine energy opportunities.

Key Updates:

Quarter 1

- Pembroke Port held a Business Networking Event for businesses based at the Port to network and meet the Port's Commercial Manager.
- Hangar Annex building names announced – Catalina House, Falcon House, Erebus House and Oleander House following a community competition.
- META variation to planning consent was approved.
- META project staff held a workshop with Ysgol Harri Tudor year 10 engineering students at Pembrokeshire College as part of a Renewable Energy Workshop.
- MEECE deployed the marine test buoy at the META site.
- PDZ progressed into delivery with Project Director, Technical and Survey & Consents Managers recruited.

Quarter 2

- Brochure released outlining the office and workshop space available in the Port of Pembroke in the Hangar Annexes.
- Port of Milford Haven breaks ground with BAM Nuttall on the slipway and the new workboat pontoons in Pembroke Port.
- Wales First Minister Mark Drakeford visited Marine Energy Wales to understand more about the marine renewable energy opportunities in the region.
- Grid Application for 2.5GW of offshore wind into South Pembrokeshire has been drafted for PDZ with pre-application meeting conducted.
- MEECE buoy deployment successfully recovered at the META site and preparation underway for a second deployment.
- Marine Energy Wales released a State of the Sector Report.
- PDZ technical concept report delivered, re-scoping exercise complete and land agents contracted to support route identification for cables.

Quarter 3

- Port of Milford Haven won the Port Sustainability Award 2022 at the British Port Association Conference.
- The Walters Group were announced as the contractors on the new facilities at Pembroke Port to support FLOW.
- BAM Nuttall continued work on the slipway and pontoon and R&M Williams continued work on the Hangar Annexes.

- META secured a new marine licence which meant it could now accommodate more tidal turbines and larger mooring spreads.
- MEECE buoy deployed for a second time and the META site for further testing for the next four months.
- Celtic Sea Power (CSP) in collaboration with Welsh Government, ORE Catapult and Marine Energy Wales announce the Celtic Sea Cluster Strategy.

Quarter 4

- All project partners supported the largest ever Marine Energy Wales Conference in Swansea Arena and a visit from the City Deals Economic Strategy Board.
- BAM Nuttall completed the demolition of Slipway 2, pouring of concrete slabs continued to form the new slipway at Pembroke Port. Piling installed for the workboat pontoons. Drainage works of the timber pond completed.
- CSP's 23-27 Business Plan approved by shareholders paving the way for the business to continue to support the SBCR accelerate FLOW and marine energy opportunity whilst capturing the infrastructure, supply chain and skills related benefits.
- Port of Milford Haven, along with Pembrokeshire County Council, Neath Port Talbot Council and the Associated British Ports successfully secure the Celtic Freeport in South West Wales.



£343.4m
Contribution to Regional GVA



1,881
Jobs Created



1,000mw Contribution to Decarbonisation Targets



60,600m² Physical Infrastructure Creation



Pembroke Dock Marine: Sustainable Construction

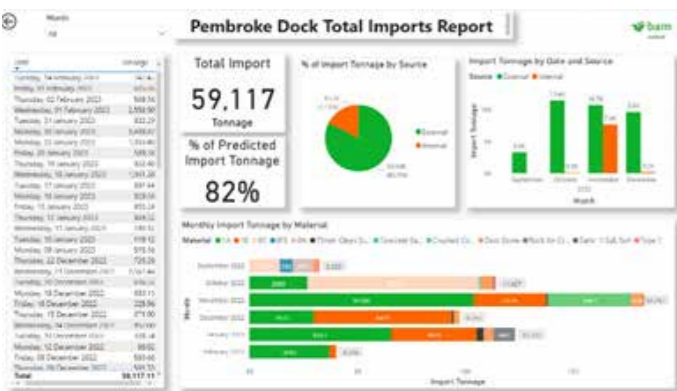
BAM Nuttall was appointed as the main contractor for the new supersize slipway, workboat pontoons and the infill of the historic pickling pond in Pembroke Port as part of the Pembroke Dock Marine project, which began construction in August 2022.

Material Tracking App

The timber pickling pond needed to be filled with both imported and site won material, with the site won material being recovered from the demolition of the old slipway and quay wall. A Material Tracking App was developed by the in-house digital construction team to track the material movements which helped with monitoring and reporting.

The app tracked:

- Haulier's waste carrier license
- Permit the material is imported under
- Material source, type and tonnage
- Date/time of material movements and vehicle registration



Sustainability Report

The civil engineering and construction industry is responsible for 39% of all global carbon emissions and around 36% of all energy use. Bam Nuttall is aware of the problem and wants to be part of the solution. The company has ambitions of becoming a net zero organisation by 2026 where a majority of its competitors are aiming for 2030.

BAM Nuttall uses an inhouse Sustainability Index for monitoring. The index looks at 14 measures of sustainability across projects to assess their performance against company targets. Project Managers can then identify areas for improvements and strive towards sustainability excellence.

The 14 measures fall within six categories which include: data presence, CO2 performance, waste performance, compliance, demonstrating success and social impact.

Since February 2023 the Sustainability Report commissioned showed that this project has consistently scored a 94% performance against the objectives, with the average for equivalent projects being between 70 and 79%.

“BAM Nuttall will continue to work with the Pembroke Dock Marine partners to identify innovative and sustainable ways of working in order to achieve our Net Zero ambitions. We hope to share best practices and work with our industry partners to reduce carbon emissions across the construction sector.”

Andrew Pointon-Bell
Project Manager, BAM Nuttall



Craig's Story

ICT Apprentice at The Port of Milford Haven

Delivery partner in Pembroke Dock Marine Project



Craig, from St Clears, joined the Port as an apprentice on a 2-year programme after studying at Pembrokeshire College. He is part of the Digital Solutions team which provides technical support on hardware and software to the staff at the port and is often the first point of contact for employees.

The opportunity to become an apprentice appealed to Craig as he wanted to develop his ICT skills, which would support him to advance his career. He was able to apply himself to on the job experiences beyond the classroom based skills opportunities.

The apprenticeship fast tracked his practical knowledge and skills, and provided a good personal challenge, which has led to notable improvements in Craig's skills and confidence.

Craig has found that there is many advantages of doing this apprenticeship. He is being paid while he is still learning, although his biggest benefit is that he is gaining experience, which is often hard to get when starting a new career as a young adult.

He is currently focusing on completing his apprenticeship continuing to improve his skills. He hopes to stay at the Port of Milford Haven once it has finished.

“Inspiring and enabling local young people to pursue a career in maritime, energy or hospitality and tourism are key social goals for us at the Port and apprenticeships is one of the ways we can do this. We are keen to increase apprenticeship opportunities in coming years.”

Vidette Swales
HR Director, Port of Milford Haven





Seb's Story

Electrical Apprentice at 71/72 Kingsway Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District

When Seb left school, he wasn't sure what he wanted to do, but after working with his dad on housing renovation projects, he found he liked working in construction.

Seb secured a place on CMBE's apprentice programme in 2022, as part of the drive to recruit local apprentices, which form part of Swansea Council's and Bouygues UK's Targeted Recruitment and Training requirements for the £34m Swansea Bay City Deal-funded, 71/72 Kingsway construction contract.

CMBE, a major, South Wales-based mechanical and electrical sub-contractor, has since enrolled Seb on the Level 2 Electrical Installation at NPTC Group at their Afan campus, resulting in him being in college one day a week and the other four days working on the new prestigious office development on the Kingsway, in the centre of Swansea.

At present he's installing the in-situ electrical conduit, which will be hidden within the concrete structure across the two basement levels and five storeys of the development.

The project is now entering the next phase the works and the internal visible containment and wiring has just commenced, Seb will now be involved in this element of works. He will be installing the cabling through the conduits he has previously installed and this will add a new dimension.

This is Seb's first real experience of a large construction site and has gained a better understanding of the complexities of the build, the health & safety required on a site, but more importantly, how crucial his role is in the look of finished building. Although his current task on site, the installation of the conduit is an onerous task, it won't be visible once the project is handed over. Seb's Electrical Installation Electrician apprenticeship will last 4 years, and after this project is complete, he will move to work on another CMBE project until he is signed off by the training provider JTL.



Amelia's Story

Graduate Project Officer at Celtic Sea Power Delivery partner in Pembroke Dock Marine Project

Amelia graduated from Swansea University with a BEng in Civil Engineering in 2020 and then spent a year working in engineering design as a Structural Engineer at a small consultancy specialized in domestic construction.

Amelia then decided to return to university and study for an MSc in Coastal Engineering in the University of Plymouth. Three months before graduating from her Masters she started her graduate job at Celtic Sea Power, where she wrote her dissertation on hybrid renewable energy supply to island communities.

The main aim of her graduate job is to build a model of all energy use in the area, and how this might change in the run up to Net Zero targets. It involves talking with industries like ports and studying their current energy use and operations. She also looks at how energy generation is likely to change and how natural resources can be maximised.

Amelia is working towards becoming a chartered engineer at Celtic Sea Power and is hoping her current role will help her do this. She would love to see technologies like wave and tidal energy become more commercial and hopes she'll be able to work on integrating them into our energy system. Her long term aim is to work on small scale renewable energy projects, powering ports or small islands!

Joining as a graduate has given Amelia the opportunity to lead on projects and she has been given great experience in a company that is actually going to make a difference in the future.

“ My advice to graduates looking for a graduate job would be to consider specialising in a subject if you plan to do a Masters - My course was in Coastal Engineering! Use LinkedIn for your job searches as a lot of companies don't have graduate schemes but will still take graduates, and if there is company that you are interested in, send them an email! Don't be afraid of applying to jobs that you don't think you're qualified for! ”



Portfolio Lessons Learnt

The Portfolio has a broad and in-depth range of interactions with many partners across the region in the private and public sectors. These interactions create many experiences and generates feedback and lessons amongst the associate partners.

A wealth of information and reflections are captured and held centrally within the Portfolio Office through a Lessons Learned Log and by sharing best practice with regional partners. In a broader context, the

SBCD also shares experiences and best practice nationally with other City and Growth Deals at every opportunity.

Having operated this approach since 2020, below are a few key lessons learned. We always seek feedback, so welcome your views of how the SBCD is performing and interacting. Email:

SBCD@carmarthenshire.gov.uk to share your views.

Situation: Clear and defined Governance arrangements are critical to the successful delivery of the Portfolio	Recommendation: Robust governance arrangements need to be established and approved at a Portfolio level at the outset
Situation: Change of key personnel can cause a lack of continuity	Recommendation: Introduction of handovers, inductions to the SBCD to be provided to new personnel supported by formal meetings and the implementation of processes
Situation: Lack of flexibility in reviewing and adapting budgets	Recommendation: Ability to adapt project outputs to maximise benefits
Situation: Effective PoMO meetings and support recognised	Recommendation: Fully functional PoMO in place to support, guide and advise across the Portfolio on Governance, policies and procedures
Situation: Awareness and sharing of intelligence of deliverables	Recommendation: Sub-groups set up where programmes / projects come together to share best practice and lessons learned
Situation: SROs appointed with defined roles and responsibilities is critical to successfully deliver objectives	Recommendation: Continue to define roles, appoint SROs early on, provide SRO training and support, while ensuring all SROs are represented on the operational board
Situation: R&D and innovation are critical to the success of the SBCD	Recommendation: Avenues and access to Welsh Government and UK Government funding streams needs to be co-ordinated to maximise regional benefits
Situation: To be able to support delivery of some aspects of the programme existing resources were utilised, this has proven to be challenging	Recommendation: Encourage partners to appoint dedicated resources in line with internal needs, pressures and priorities
Situation: Evolving Robust Governance arrangements continue to ensure consistency of reporting, processes and procedures	Recommendation: Reporting embedded into Governance Boards to ensure visibility of Risks and Issues across the Portfolio, Benefits realised, assurance activity, procurement and change. PM Software used to ensure consistency of reporting

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The Welsh Government is working in partnership with the Swansea Bay City Deal to deliver ambitious projects that will bring significant economic benefits to the region and to Wales. In the face of major economic uncertainty, the Welsh Government is committed to supporting a clear vision for stronger regional growth that supports better jobs in the industries of the future. We will work with partners to learn lessons and build on the progress made to secure our shared ambitions for the region.

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Vaughan Gething

Minister for the Economy of Wales, Welsh Government



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It's great to be see significant progress in the delivery of projects supported by the Swansea Bay City Deal. UK Government investment is paying off and we are now seeing how the Portfolio is supporting economic growth. With so many exciting projects and programmes underway across the region there are real, tangible benefits that are impacting local businesses and residents across South West Wales.

“In particular the advancement of the Swansea Bay City Deal in the Energy and Advanced Manufacturing sectors underpins the rationale of funding for the Celtic Freeport bid, covering Pembrokeshire and Neath Port Talbot. UK Government funding streams for the Growth Deals, the Shared Prosperity Funds and the Freeport are supporting jobs and prosperity for the region for generations to come.

David TC Davies

Secretary of State for Wales

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Benefits to date

The Portfolio has seen significant progress in the benefits being delivered to date and in particular over the past 12 months, including:

£262m of total investment to date
10% of total investment target has been secured from the Private Sector
£83m+ investment in 2022-23

9,200 training weeks provided across Portfolio construction activity to date with at least **1,200** weeks delivered in 2022-23

At least **550+** Full Time Equivalent (FTE) employment opportunities

100 FTE apprenticeship opportunities created or continued as a result of construction activity

47,380m² of completed floor space across the Portfolio

200 HAPS homes delivered in 2022-23 realising £42m of investment

200+ contracts awarded to Welsh based companies

3 of 35 projects completed with a total investment of **£113m**

17 of 35 projects in delivery which will deliver **£415m** total investment once completed

15 of 35 projects approved and working through pre-commencement activity. Once complete, these projects will deliver the remaining **£711m** of SBCD forecast investment

Construction contracts in the region of **£50m** to be awarded through 2023-2024

Begin delivery of HAPS regional supply chain in FY 2023-24 to support leveraging the estimated **£383m** private sector investment

*Further jobs have been created, and will be confirmed with a 12-24 months' time lag post occupation

Contribution to Carbon Reduction

The portfolio helps to address and support carbon reduction with the long-term aim of achieving Wales's Net Carbon Zero target by 2050 and is aligned to the Welsh Government Net Zero Wales Carbon Budget 2 (2021 to 2025).

Each Lead Delivery Organisation will ensure that facilities are procured, built, and operated in compliance with the requirements set out in national and local policies and strategies.

The Portfolio places the region at the forefront of Energy and Smart Manufacturing and will contribute by:

- Successful delivery of three energy related projects: HAPS, PDM and SILCG
- Creating an estimated 80k+ m² of floorspace with a minimum of BREEAM excellence
- Creating at least 5,000 jobs across the renewables and energy sectors
- Create at least £620m GVA the renewables and energy sectors
- Attract at least £630m of total investment the renewables and energy sectors
- Provide at least 6,000 skills opportunities for the energy and renewables sectors
- Create a regional centre of excellence in the renewable energy
- Grow 2 supply chains in the installation, manufacturing, and operations of blue and green technologies through PDM And HAPS
- Enhance digital connectivity through full fibre, 5G and Internet of Things (IoT) to future proof the digital economy across the region.

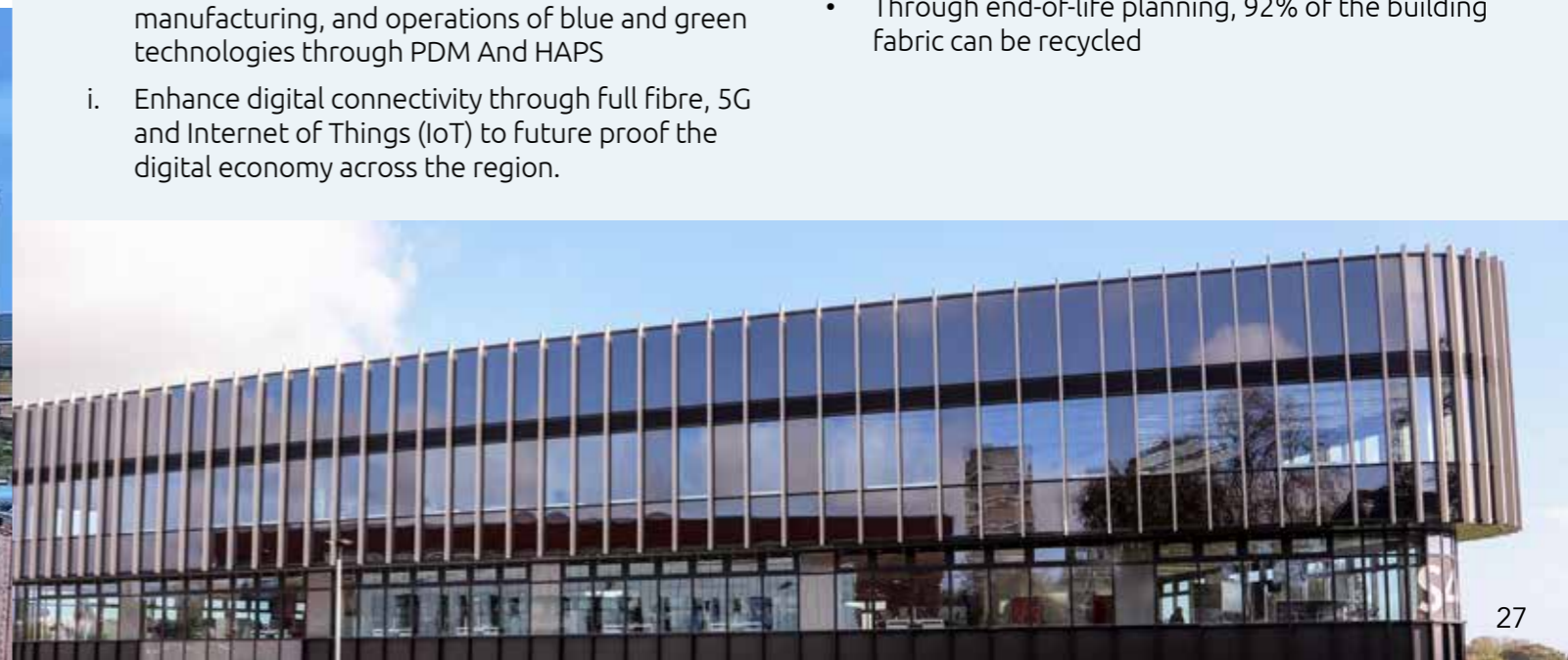
An example of this practice in operation is the Bay Technology Centre, which is part of SILCG programme. Led by Neath Port Talbot Council, they set bold targets for energy performance and empowered the design team by giving the freedom to:

- Focus on building fabric – airtight, optimise orientation & massing
- Minimise material use – do more with less
- Maximise efficiencies of technologies
- Simulate occupancy and equipment usage
- Utilise thermal mass of floors to lower heating load
- Implement a robust metering strategy

The outcome was the successful delivery of the first award winning 'energy positive in operation' commercial facility in Wales. Producing more energy than it consumes.

This was achieved by collaborative use of BIM 360 modelling software, which also led to:

- Designing out waste, producing only 2.4 tonnes/100m² versus a typical UK project at 11 tonnes/100m²
- 59 tonnes of construction waste were recycled/recovered, which is exemplary
- 96% construction waste diverted from landfill
- 42.12% improvement on net water consumption by installing efficient sanitaryware
- Through end-of-life planning, 92% of the building fabric can be recycled



Skills and Talent: Pilot Project Success



Over the last 12 months the Skills & Talent programme have approved 9 pilot projects which will prepare young people for upcoming jobs across the region.

Public Sector Match Funding of £712,83

Private Sector Match Funding of £439,000

Private Apprenticeships Investment of £536,764



Net Zero Wales Skills

Sector: Energy and Smart Manufacturing, Renewable Technologies

Designed to address the green skill gaps in the private and public sector in manufacturing related industries this pilot will also build knowledge and skills and create career pathways to support Wales in meeting its net zero goals. Co-designed by academics and industry and in collaboration with the South Wales Industrial Cluster, Regional Learning and Skills Partnership this will be delivered to secondary and post 16 learners and is unique with the content tailored to real, everyday working practices.

Battery Manufacturing Skills (BMS)

Sector: Energy and Smart Manufacturing, Renewable Technologies, New Skills, Digital Technology

Aims to establish a framework of short professional development courses designed to responding to a skill gap in battery manufacturing and related industries. Delivered in collaboration with private sector organisations, this pilot will build on skill gaps in the battery manufacturing and supply chain providing training, upskilling, and reskilling to higher skilled students and the local workforce. 25 individuals will receive higher skilled training with one new framework created.



Pembrokeshire Passport to Employment

Sector: Low Carbon, Renewable Technologies

The first pilot project to be approved and in delivery, will bring together students and companies that specialise in the renewable energy sector, creating an industry led framework on Blue-Green Energy. It will prepare young talent for upcoming local job opportunities and a career in the renewable energy sector. Already gaining external recognition through an award, it is taught collaboratively between industry, schools and Pembrokeshire college.

Low Carbon New Zero Awareness Raising

Sector: Low Carbon, Construction, Renewable Technologies

Led by Cyfle, who are Building Skills specialists, this regional project aims to raise awareness of zero and low carbon technologies in the construction sector by delivering industry relevant carbon reduction training. Delivering 4 new courses it will work with apprentices and trainees creating 100 shared and 500 traditional apprentices, along with involvement from 1,000 school pupils in year 10 and 11.

Net Zero: How green was my valley?

Sector: Energy and Smart Manufacturing, Renewable Technologies

This pilot will build a cohort of teachers into a knowledgeable and effective workforce that uses digital skills and gaming to train pupils about climate change, the importance of net zero and the opportunities from the circular economy. Delivered in a 'train-the-trainer' style to teachers who will then deliver the information back to the classroom.

Nurturing Health and Wellbeing in a Digital World

Sector: Digital, Health and Well-being

Specifically targeting schools in the City of Swansea and led by Gowerton Comprehensive school, this will teach 3 -16 year old pupils about the life science, health and sports sectors including the development of new technologies to support a healthy and well-balanced lifestyle.

5G Technologies Training

Sector: Digital

Designed to address the lack of awareness of 5G, this pilot will work with industry to ensure the region fully understand the opportunities and potential of 5G. With a range of training from introductory to advanced levels across a wide range of sectors, it will help generate innovation and drive further investment to the region.

21st Century Skills

Sector: Construction, Net Zero, Health and Wellbeing

Delivered by construction experts Bouygues UK, this pilot will develop work related experiences for 40 learners in year 6, 120 learners in years 10 and 12 and 1,000 learners in years 7, 8 and 9. There will be a particular focus on working toward net zero in construction industry and the skills needed to meet the climate emergency challenge.

Careers in the Digital Sector

Sector: Construction, Engineering, Digital Arts and Industries

With a focus on the need for enhanced digital skills in the creative industry for pre and post 16 learners, this project is delivered by Neath Port Talbot Council and will up-skill and increase learning to around 2,070 individuals as well as creating Primary School career pathways.



“The Skills and Talent Programme is creating bespoke, innovative, and exciting pilot projects offering regional solutions that address the training requirements for both the City Deal projects and industry partners. As the pilot projects move into the delivery phase it is great to see this invaluable investment help support the skills needs of today and the future generations across Wales.”

Edward Morgan
Chairman of Regional Learning
and Skills Partnership, South West Wales

The Award-Winning Portfolio

Financial Summary

Over the last 12 months, the portfolio has gained recognition through several prestigious industry accredited awards.



Destination Renewables Pilot Project

This Skills and Talent pilot project won the national 'Offshore Wind Energy Skills Award' in the Renewables UK Offshore Wind Awards 2022 and was also a finalist in the Wales STEM Awards 2022.



Pentre Awel

Delivered by Bouygues UK, Pentre Awel has won the Bouygues UK Sustainability Award 2022 by saving over 77,600kg of Carbon Dioxide being emitted on the site over a 15-week period.



Bay Technology Centre (BTC)

Part of the SILCG programme, has picked up three high profile awards in 2022 for its environmental credentials. Commercial Property Project of the Year Award in the British Construction Industry (BCI) Awards 2022, Net Zero Award in the Constructing Excellence Wales (CEW) Awards 2022 and the Sustainability Award in the Insider Wales Property Awards 2022.



Port of Milford Haven

The Port, which is a strategic delivery partner in the Pembroke Dock Marine project has picked up the Port Sustainability Award at the British Ports Association (BPA) Conference 2022. BPA recognised the port for its sustainability credentials and commitment to environmental sustainability within the port and surrounding communities.



71/72 Kingsway

Part of the Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District project, this construction project was a finalist in the Bouygues UK Sustainability Awards 2022.

“It’s great to see so many of our projects being recognised through top industry awards. It’s a testament to the project teams and partners throughout the region and gives us confidence that we are trailblazing and making a difference to the lives of people in our region, the environment and economy. In addition to these awards, Swansea has also recently been named as one of the UK’s top four cities in the Estates Gazette 2022 awards, which further recognises the enormous regeneration and economic development happening in the heart of our region.”

Cllr Rob Stewart
Chairman of the Joint Committee

The Portfolio’s overall investment position is estimated to be £1,256.41 million over the 15-year life cycle of the portfolio, as summarised below. Total Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) investment from all sources was £262.15m, of which £26.91m was private sector investment at the end of the financial year 2022-23.

The economic climate in which we operate continues to present Portfolio delivery challenges. Several macro-economic factors, including availability of resources and recruitment, energy prices, construction costs, inflationary pressures, and the COVID pandemic have resulted in delivery slippage and escalating cost pressures over the last three years.

Despite these challenges, all projects and programmes are progressing through delivery and all partners are all fully committed to the delivery of their SBCD initiatives.

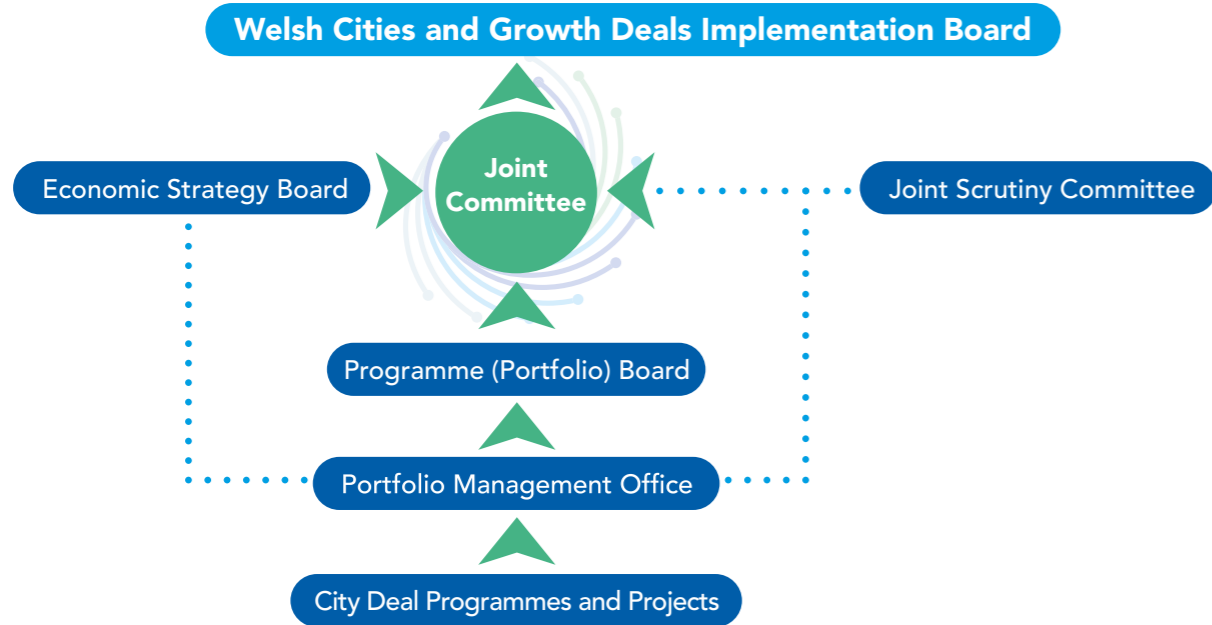
In 2022/23 financial year, the SBCD invested £83 million on the planning, procurement, build and operations across the majority of the nine of the Portfolio’s projects and programmes. Further large investments through procurement and build will take place between 2023/24 – 2028/29.

Close monitoring, mitigation and resolution of risks, issues and communicating delivery and financial profiles with all stakeholders is continually undertaken by the Portfolio Management Office. This helps to determine the impact that the macro-economic climate is having on the delivery of the Portfolio.

The SBCD received a further funding award in 2022/23 from the Welsh Government and UK Government, releasing the fifth annual draw down of City Deal funding. This has taken the total drawdown to £100m since Portfolio commencement. The latest City Deal funding draw down includes the accelerated UK Government grant which will now be awarded over a ten-year period, rather than the original fifteen-year period.

Annual Investment Forecast Profile

Investment Component	Year 0-4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	Year 14	Year 15	Total
	2017-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	2031-32	2032-33	
(£m)													
Capital / Revenue													
Capital Expenditure	154.16	79.80	183.18	131.59	184.37	189.45	135.53	129.48	0	0	0	0	1,187.55
Revenue Expenditure	25.02	3.18	14.61	13.74	9.28	0.35	0.42	0.43	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.46	68.86
Total	179.18	82.97	197.79	145.33	193.65	189.79	135.95	129.91	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.46	1,256.41
Component Expenditure													
City Deal Expenditure	32.87	23.53	80.61	75.20	18.12	5.42	0	0	0	0	0	0	235.75
Public Sector Expenditure	126.77	52.07	62.55	17.23	55.43	51.48	16.47	0	0	0	0	0	382.00
Private Sector Expenditure	19.54	7.37	54.63	52.90	120.10	132.89	119.48	129.92	0.45	0.46	0.46	0.46	638.66
Total	179.18	82.97	197.79	145.33	193.65	189.79	135.95	129.92	0.45	0.46	0.46	0.46	1,256.41



Welsh Cities and Growth Deal Implementation Board

This is a joint UK Government and Welsh Government Board with responsibility for providing assurance and advice to the Joint Chairs regarding strategic and operational issues, the release of funding to the Portfolio, the oversight and monitoring of projects, and effective governance and assurance.

Joint Committee (JC)

Chair, Cllr Rob Stewart,
Leader of Swansea Council

Comprising of the four regional Local Authority Leaders, as well as senior representatives from all eight primary partner organisations, it holds the Programme (Portfolio) Board and PoMO to account and has overall responsibility for scrutiny and approvals.

Economic Strategy Board (ESB)

Chair, Chris Foxall

This is a private sector advisory body which acts as the voice of business. The ESB provides strategic direction for the City Deal through advice to the Joint Committee on matters relating to the City Region.

Programme (Portfolio) Board

Chair, Wendy Walters, Chief Executive Officer,
Carmarthenshire County Council

Responsible for overseeing the operations of the City Deal, Programme (Portfolio) Board will review changes to business cases and developments to the portfolio as it progresses. It consists of the head or senior representative of each of the eight partner organisations.

Joint Scrutiny Committee (JSC)

Chair, Cllr Rob James, Elected Member in
Carmarthenshire County Council

Provides advice, challenge and support to the Joint Committee and made up of three elected members from each of the four local authorities.

The Portfolio Management Office (PoMO) is responsible for the day-to-day running of the Portfolio and is in regular contact with the wider City Deal teams and board members.



The SBCD is also supported by Carmarthenshire Council's Section 151 Officer and Swansea Council's Monitoring Officer as part of the statutory functions of the portfolio.

Chris Moore

Director of Corporate Services, Carmarthenshire County Council and SBCD Section 151 Officer

Chris is responsible for the administration of the JC affairs under Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 and overall responsibility for the financial administration of the City Deal.

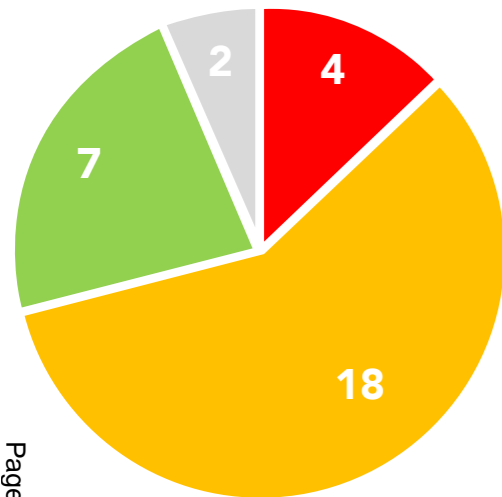
Tracey Meredith

Monitoring Officer, Swansea County Council and SBCD Monitoring Officer

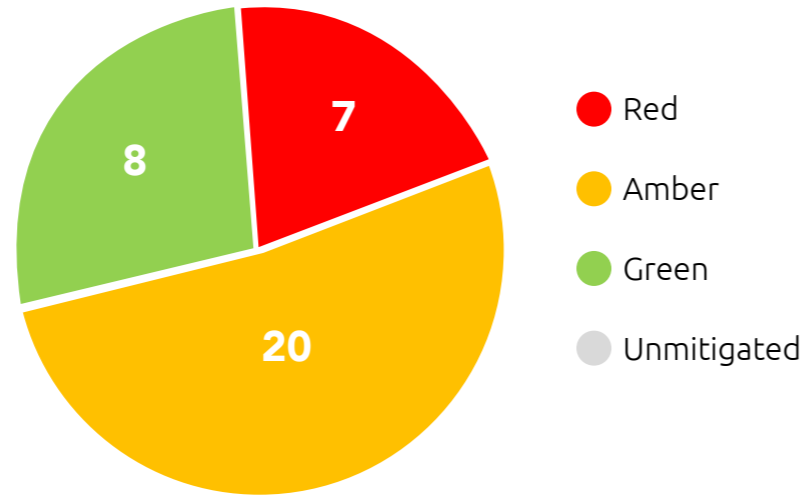
Tracey is responsible for ensuring good governance and maintaining the highest ethical standard, ensuring the legality of arrangements and that the JC Agreement is complied with.

Throughout 2022-23 the Portfolio has identified 4 new Portfolio risks. This is reflective of the Portfolio being in full delivery with many mitigations being worked on to lower risk ratings.

**Mitigated Risk Ratings
March 2022**



**Mitigated Risk Rating
March 2023**



- Red
- Amber
- Green
- Unmitigated

The Portfolio red risks for 2022–23 were:

1. Private sector funding contribution/s not realised in line with business case projections.
2. Increase in construction costs.
3. Welsh Government 2021 update of TAN 15 development risk of flooding, coastal erosion and associated flood planning maps.
4. In year slippage of investment.
5. Slippage in delivery of against key milestones.
6. Projects and programmes delivering all business case outputs and outcomes.
7. Pressure on construction industry to meet demand of City Deal and other public sector procurements.

Throughout the year, the portfolio has further developed a Construction Impact Assessment, as a consequence of the growing economic pressures on construction activity and energy prices following the recovery from COVID-19 and the Ukraine war. Close monitoring has identified some significant cost increases on construction activity which have in turn required additional investment in some instances from lead delivery organisations.

Moving forward, from Quarter 1 2023-24, greater visibility of the Construction Impact Assessment reporting will take place with the aim to identify and close funding gaps across the portfolio through recorded and monitored mitigations. This should safeguard the Portfolio delivery, by identifying issues and resolutions as early as possible so that the Portfolio realises the intended benefits as planned.

Gateway Reviews

The SBCD Portfolio and projects are subject to Office of Government Commerce Gateway Reviews, facilitated by the Welsh Government Integrated Assurance Hub, to assure successful progression and overall delivery of the portfolio and associated projects and programmes.

The SBCD has undertaken a further strategic review of the Portfolio in July 2022 together with reviews on the HAPS, Swansea Waterfront and Skills and

Talent programme. A schedule of forthcoming reviews has been developed for the next 12 months, including an annual Portfolio review planned for July 2023.

The table below shows the most recent reviews undertaken across the portfolio together with their Delivery Confidence Assessment rating (DCA) and the estimated date for the next assurance review

Portfolio / Programme / Project	Stage	Latest Review Date	DCA Rating	Next Planned
Portfolio	0	July 2022		July 2023
Homes as Power Stations	PAR	Nov 2022		Oct 2023
Supporting Innovation & Low Carbon Growth	PAR	June 2020		Dec 2023
Pentre Awel	PAR	Sept 2020		Oct 2023*
Digital Infrastructure	0	Oct 2020		Oct 2023*
Pembroke Dock Marine	PAR	Feb 2020		Sept 2023
Yr Egin	5	Nov 2021		Tbc 2023
Swansea Waterfront & Digital District	PAR	Nov 2022		Sept 2023
Skills & Talent	0	Jan 2023		Tbc 2025
Campuses	PAR	Aug 2021		Jan 2024

*Estimate

Portfolio Gateway 0 Review Recommendations 2022

The 2022 Gateway assurance review for the Portfolio returned an Amber/Green rating with 4 recommendations, all of which have been completed. The recommendations related to the need to update programme and project business

cases, monitoring of costs and benefit profiles across the portfolio, access for projects to PoMO intelligence and data and the use of clear plain language in governance reports.



Marketing and Communications







Business Engagement

Significant Marketing and Communications activities have taken place over the last 12 months including:

-  **Portfolio Communications and Marketing Plan** update covering key messages, stakeholders, branding, channels and an activity plan
-  Participation in **2 audio interviews** to support the Celtic Freeport Bid and Business and Economy Roundtable
-  **184** positive mentions in **local and national** press including online and printed titles, across all projects and programmes
-  Updated the City Deal **website** with the latest news stories:

-  Facebook reach of **63,641** and **1,009** Facebook followers
-  **Partnership working** with key communications contacts at partner organisations and at the other Welsh City and Growth Deals
-  Twitter reach of **691,395** and **1,562** Twitter followers
(Reach is the number of people that saw, engaged, clicked on, re-tweeted, commented or liked the post.)
-  **Key Milestone Log** to plan marketing activity
-  **Ministerial Visits** from UK Government and Welsh Government to projects including Pentre Awel, Pembroke Dock Marine and Campuses
-  **Annual Review** booklet of Key Milestones across Welsh City and Growth Deals
-  **Production of Marketing Assets** including a brochure
-  Attendance at **12 events** including Introbiz, Welsh Business Show, Welsh Construction Show, 4theRegion and Marine Energy Wales Conference

Many programmes and projects are effectively securing investment and engaging with private sector partners as delivery is picking up pace. This has led to a significant draw down of private sector financial contribution including:

-  **£14.5m** Digital Infrastructure supplier investment into the region for 2021-22
-  HAPS has leveraged circa **£1.4m** investment for new build homes and retrofits working with private sector
-  **£13.9m** secured investment for Pembroke Dock Marine via Port of Milford Haven
-  SILCG 's Property Development Fund created **a huge amount of interest** from private sector developers and was heavily oversubscribed
-  **77** apprenticeships, valued at **£500k**; and **£400k** of private sector contribution for pilot projects in the Skills and Talent programme
-  Swansea Arena celebrated its first year of operation and realised a **£1m** contribution from operators ATG



The Pembroke Dock Marine contribution:

- Appointing BAM Nuttall as a main contractor for the slipway, over £3.8m spend with locally based contractors on materials, plant, labour and sub-contractors.
- Walters Group have spent a further £3.1m on the land remediation element of the contract with locally based sub-contractors.
- R&M Williams, lead contractor refurbishing the historic Hangar Annexes complex, have spent circa £1.7–£2m with local suppliers.

- The PoMO continues to engage with business representative organisations such as the Institute of Directors, and regional business groups including Swansea Bay Business Club, SA1 Business club and regional networking organisation 4theRegion. Engagement also continues with Cwmpas, to promote the third sector and social enterprise.

The PoMO has serviced 100s of enquiries from interested businesses throughout 2022- 23, which are followed-up and shared with projects and stakeholders as appropriate.

“ The Swansea Bay City Deal continues to be a focus for collaborative working that supports local business opportunities both directly and indirectly.

The series of projects linked to investment strategies can only help in the ongoing formation of public-private enterprises at the SA1 Business Club.

Lawrence Bailey on behalf of SA1 Business Club



Business Partners

SBCD continues to work in partnership with many private sector companies across a range of sector to deliver the Portfolio's objectives.



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Key activity for April 2023 - March 2024

Quarter 1

Skills & Talent: Establish a youth forum to provide young people with opportunities to have a voice that informs the direction of skills developments.

Digital Infrastructure: Complete recruitment of Local Authority Digital Champions resources.

Homes as Power Stations (HAPS): Launch of the Financial Incentives Fund (FIF) to incentivise Registered Social Landlords (RSLs), Local Authorities and Private Sector developers and landlords to install technology into homes to make them cleaner, greener and more efficient.

Pentre Awel: Develop mapping processes to ensure that opportunities for working across partners boundaries are maximised. Mapping exercise to identify skills needs/providers and gaps identified.

Campuses: Investigate investment opportunities and stakeholder mapping.

Yr Egin: Work with internal creative and digital resource and external consultancy appointments to develop the information required to inform a more detailed change control notification and updated business case.

Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District:

- 71/72 Kingsway: Launch marketing campaign.
- Innovation Matrix: Contractors Kier start on site and the development of 5G bid with the Infrastructure Project.

Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth (SILCG):

- South Wales Industrial Transition from Carbon Hub (SWITCH): Announce the successful

contractor to build SWITCH Harbourside facility and commence the 12-month design phase.

- Advanced Manufacturing Production Facility (AMPF): Pre-market engagement survey with local industry and stakeholders.
- Bay Technology Centre (BTC): Official opening ceremony.
- Air Quality Monitoring Project (AQMP): Ricardo continue QA/QC of the network.
- Property Development Fund (PDF): Deadline for stage 2 applications.
- Update SILCG Portfolio Business Case and Outline Business Case for enhanced AMPF project.
- Low Emission Vehicle (LEV): Setup Infrastructure working group. A multi stakeholder group to identify and address the different challenges across the business units.
- Hydrogen Stimulus Programme (HSP): Sign University of South Wales funding agreement.

Pembroke Dock Marine (PDM):

- Pembroke Dock Infrastructure (PDI): Complete the east side of slipway at Pembroke Port and switch over live operations from the west to the east. West side demolition begins.
- Marine Energy Test Area (META): Tow trials to take place within the Milford Haven Waterway for RRES Tidal Turbine.
- Marine Energy Engineering Centre of Excellence (MEECE): Completion of Monitoring & Evaluation Report for WEFO and Inaugural meeting of PCC-led Task and Finish Group for Celtic Freeport Skills & Talent proposal.
- Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone (PDZ): Complete European Regional Development Fund activities.

Quarter 2

Skills & Talent: Further pilot projects move into delivery, including User Experience Apprenticeships upskilling of staff and delivery roll out for Sept-23.

Digital Infrastructure: Place order for full fibre infrastructure to regional public sector locations and assets.

Homes as Power Stations (HAPS): Agree allocations of the FIF and issue funding agreements.

Pentre Awel: Confirm lease agreements, complete options appraisal for outdoor activities/projects and finalise education skills and training provision with FE and HE institutions.

Campuses: Service improvements and patient impact review.

Yr Egin: Update business case and submit change control request.

Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District:

- 71/72 Kingsway: Appoint Building Management.
- Innovation Matrix: Formal commencement event. Interior design, Furniture Fixtures and Equipment and Audio Visual packages finalised. Tenant legals progressed.
- Innovation Precinct: Change Business Model and Accommodation Schedule workshops and property solution workshops commence.

SILCG:

- PDF: Assessment and award of the successful applications.
- AMPF: Pre-market engagement survey with local industry, businesses and HE/FE providers.
- HSP: Commissioning of electrolyser to produce Hydrogen.
- BTC: Ongoing activity to promote centre and secure new tenants.
- LEV: Each local authority to meet and discuss regional approach.

PDM:

- PDI: Berth and commission of new workboat pontoons and complete Hangar Annexes construction.
- META: Participation at the 10th PRIMaRE Conference, which provides a forum for exchanging the latest research and development and fostering collaborations in Marine Renewable Energy.
- MEECE: Completion of WEFO-funded operations and segue into Legacy activity. Begin delivery of South Wales cohort Fit 4 Offshore Renewables Programme.
- PDZ: Update and align PDM Business Plan with The Crown Estate Commercial leasing round and Electricity Systems Operator Holistic Network Design.





Key activity for April 2023 - March 2024

Quarter 3

Skills & Talent: Planning is underway with stakeholders to roll out a regional work experience project.

Digital Infrastructure: Undertake benefits impact assessment for 2022–23. Align programme’s rural investment to Project Gigabit and Welsh Government’s approach to driving gigabit capable broadband to very hard to reach premises in the region.

HAPS: Launch of the Supply Chain Fund (SCF) which is to support activities which will result in the successful development of a regional supply chain in the manufacture, sourcing, installation, operation, management, and maintenance of renewable technologies.

Pentre Awel: Finalise project planning and operational structure for the assisted living elements within Zone 2 and 3.

Campuses: Establish an Institute of Life Sciences Innovation Centre at Morriston Hospital.

Yr Egin: SBCD approval process for the updated business case and change control notification.

Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District:

- 71/72 Kingsway: Begin External PR.
- Innovation Matrix: Café operator Meet the Buyer Event. Outcome of 5G bid with Digital Infrastructure Project will be known.
- Innovation Precinct: Change Control progresses into City Deal approval process.

SILCG:

- AMPF: Submission and approval of Outline Business Case incorporating Net Zero Skills centre of excellence. Contract to be advertised for 2 stage design and build process.
- HSP: Look into replacement of fleet vehicles with hydrogen powered equivalents.

PDM:

- PDI: BAM Nuttall to complete supersize slipway, workboats, and handover to the Port of Milford Haven (MHPA).
- META: Participation in International WaTERS 10th Anniversary Workshop which drives collaboration and knowledge transfer between test centres and global regions.
- MEECE: Begin delivery of North Wales cohort Fit4OR Programme.

Quarter 4

Skills & Talent: Barometer Review with a focus on educational capacity.

Digital Infrastructure: Launch Digital Innovation Network and 5G, IoT opportunities.

HAPS: Event for stakeholders to share lessons learned following the commission of Cardiff University’s Welsh School of Architecture to carry out the technical monitoring of homes that have adopted the ‘HAPS approach’.

Pentre Awel: Zone 1 building structural frame and floors completed and operational structure ahead of building completion in October 2024.

Campuses: Submit planning application to unlock the wider Morriston Hospital site.

Yr Egin: Design and procurement of approved solution for Egin phase 2.

Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District:

- 71/72 Kingsway: Practical completion of the building and begin Fit-Out.
- Innovation Matrix: Innovation Matrix: Final fit-out works commence and tenant legals conclude.
- Innovation Precinct: Formal design stage commences.

SILCG:

- AQMP: Analysis of year 2 data gathering exercise.
- SWITCH: Finish the design phase and prepare for the build phase.
- AMPF: Evaluate tender submissions and announce successful contractor.

PDM:

- PDI: Complete Land Remediation works package and handover of new laydown areas from the Walters Group to MHPA.
- META: Participation in the MEW Conference, the largest event dedicated to marine renewable energy in the UK.
- MEECE: Begin Delivery of 1st Wales Launch Academy programme.



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