

## **City and County of Swansea**

## **Notice of Meeting**

You are invited to attend a Meeting of the

# **Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee**

At: Lord Mayors Reception Room - Guildhall, Swansea

On: Tuesday, 28 January 2020

Time: 2.00 pm

Chair: Councillor Rob Stewart (Swansea Council)

Membership:

Councillors:

Emlyn Dole Carmarthenshire County Council

Rob Jones Neath Port Talbot Council

David Simpson Pembrokeshire County Council

Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:

Maria Battle Hywel Dda University Health Board
Professor Medwin Hughes University of Wales Trinity St Davids
Edward Tomp Chair of Economic Strategy Board

Steve Wilks Swansea University

Emma Woollett Swansea Bay University Health Board

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

- 4 Announcement(s) of the Chair.
- 5 Public Questions

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**Huw Evans** 

Huw Ears

**Head of Democratic Services** 

Wednesday, 22 January 2020

Contact: Democratic Services (01792) 636923





# Agenda Item 3

City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

Kent Room - Guildhall, Swansea

Tuesday, 26 November 2019 at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillor Rob Stewart (Swansea Council) Presided

Councillors:

David Jenkins Carmarthenshire Council
Rob Jones Neath Port Talbot Council
David Simpson Pembrokeshire Council

**Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:** 

Medwin Hughes University of Wales Trinity Saint David Edward Tomp Chair of Economic Strategy Board

Steve Wilks Swansea University

Officers:

Huw Evans Head of Democratic Services (Swansea Council)
Jon Haswell S151 Officer (Pembrokeshire County Council)

Greg Jones Communications & Marketing Officer - City Deal

(Carmarthenshire Council)

Tracey Meredith Joint Committee Monitoring Officer (Swansea Council)
Chris Moore Joint S151 Officer (Carmarthenshire County Council)

Helen Morgan Economic Development Manager (Carmarthenshire Council)

Steve Phillips Chief Executive (Neath Port Talbot Council)

Phil Roberts Chief Executive (Swansea Council)

Paul Thomas Carmarthenshire Council

### **Apologies for Absence:**

Councillor(s) Emlyn Dole (Carmarthenshire Council)

Maria Battle (Hywel Dda University Health Board) and Emma Woollett (Swansea Bay University Health Board)

Wendy Walters (Chief Executive (Carmarthenshire Council)) and Ian Westley (Chief Executive (Pembrokeshire Council))

## 33 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea no interests were declared.

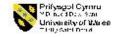


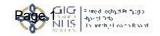














# Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee (26.11.2019) Cont'd

#### 34 Minutes.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee meeting held on 29 October 2019 be signed and approved as a correct record.

## 35 Announcement(s) of the Chair.

The Chair made no announcements.

#### 36 Public Questions.

There were no public questions.

## 37 Swansea Bay City Deal Projects Update. (Verbal)

#### Carmarthenshire

The Wellness Village project was subject to fine tuning. Private Investment discussions were ongoing. Discussions regarding an Academic Partner were approaching completion.

#### **Neath Port Talbot**

The Authority had met with the Economic Strategy Board (ESB) earlier in the day in order to outline their Low Carbon & Homes as Power Stations Business Cases. These schemes would be presented to the Joint Committee in January / February 2020. Steve Phillips stated that the working drafts has already been submitted to both Governments.

The Authority shall inform both Governments of the progress that is being made in relation to the Neath Port Talbot Business Cases and all relevant documents shared prior to final agreement by the Joint Committee, so as not to delay the projects.

#### **Pembrokeshire**

Work on the Pembroke Dock Marine project was continuing; however the Authority was spending at risk and asked that for the distribution of City Region monies as soon as possible for all Authorities.

#### **Swansea**

The Swansea Central Phase 1 project was approved by Cabinet on 21 November 2019. Works commenced on site week commencing 25 November 2019.

### Resolved that:

1) The updates be noted.

## 38 Swansea Bay City Deal Terms & Conditions.

The Regional Office submitted a report seeking approval to sign and accept the UK and Welsh Government Funding letter and associated Terms and Conditions.

# Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee (26.11.2019)

**Resolved** that the UK and Welsh Government Funding letter and associated Terms and Conditions be supported and forwarded to each of the four constituent Authorities for approval.

## 39 Swansea Bay City Region Programme Director.

The Regional Office submitted a report which provided an update on the Recruitment Process for the Swansea Bay City Region Programme Director.

**Resolved** that the Interviews for the Programme Director take place on 5 and 6 December 2019.

The meeting ended at 2.35 pm

Chair

# Agenda Item 7



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 28 January 2020

# Financial Monitoring Report 2019/20 – Swansea Bay City Deal Outturn Position

**Purpose:** The purpose of this report is to inform the Joint

Committee of the year end forecast outturn position in respect of the PMO, Accountable Body and Joint

Committee administration functions.

Policy Framework: Swansea Bay City Deal

**Consultation:** Accountable Body

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

1) The Joint Committee review annual accounts of the Swansea Bay City

Deal.

Report Author: Chris Moore

Finance Officer: Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD
Legal Officer: Tracey Meredith, Monitoring Officer, SBCD

**Access to Services Officer:** 

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 This report details the projected forecast outturn position of the Programme Management Office, Accountable Body and Joint Committee functions of the City Deal Programme.

The Financial Monitoring Report presents the City Deal Accounts in a detailed format, in line with the Carmarthenshire County Council's financial management system. The outturn position demonstrates the forecasted current financial year end position, as at October 2019.

## 2. Financial Monitoring Report – Income and Expenditure

#### 2.1. Supplementary Information

2.1.1. The outturn position excludes any top slice of Government Grants in terms of income. On receipt of government grants, 1.5% (£723k) of this will be utilised to support the PMO and the direct administration functions of the Programme.















There is no requirement to call on this additional contribution by the end of this financial year. Any contribution from Government grants received within the financial year will be transferred to a ring-fenced reserve at year end, for utilisation in future years.

- 2.1.2. The Programme Director has an assumed commencement date of 01<sup>st</sup> April 2020, therefore no salary expenditure has been included within the accounts of this current financial year.
- 2.1.3. An annual interim budget was agreed (JC 30th July 2019) for the current financial year (2019/20). Included within is an agreement between the four Local Authority partners to individually absorb indirect costs associated with the provision of key allocated functions, thus bequeathing a benefit to the programme in respect of reduced centralised costs estimated at £792k. These indirect costs have been omitted for the full year (*Appendix* 2).

## 2.2. Programme Management Office

To the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 the expenditure forecast position is £208k. At present the PMO is not fully staffed, only two positions have been appointed into, with further support being provided by staff employed by CCC. Direct staffing costs are estimated at £86k with recharges in relation to CCC support staff being estimated at £63k. Other costs include office rental of £22k, Promotions, Marketing & Advertising £7k and fees £21k.

## 2.3. Accountable Body

The Accountable Body year end position is estimated at £64k. This is attributable to one staff member and the annual external audit fee. This has increased from 2018/19 due to the requirement to produce a full set of financial statements.

### 2.4. Joint Committee

The Joint Committee expenditure forecast relates solely to legal fees in respect of amendments to the JCA and funding agreements. This has been estimated at £25k.

## 2.5. Joint Scrutiny Committee

No costs have been incurred in respect of the Joint Scrutiny Committee at this time, as the expenditure was agreed at the date of forecast to be funded as a benefit in kind by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council.

#### 2.6. Income

Total income for the year demonstrates £375k. This is solely from partner contributions (£50k per partner), with ongoing discussions in respect of one partner's contribution.

## 3. Financial Monitoring - Statement of Balances

3.1. The prior year (2018/19) balance carried forward in reserve demonstrates £100k. Currently the estimated year end position of the City Deal accounts resides at a surplus of £78k.

## 4. Events after the Reporting Period

## Receipt of Grant Award (1st Tranche)

The first tranche of funding was received in late December totalling £18m. This was released on the signing of the Terms and Conditions and the provision of updates in respect of targets on which the grant is released.

## Award of Funding in relation to Swansea Bay City Deal Programme Assurance

An Award of Funding of up to £100,000 was approved by Welsh Government to support the assurance work undertaken by the Programme. This is a one-off revenue grant relating to the period 1st August 2019 to 31st March 2020 and must be claimed in full by 31st March 2020 otherwise any unclaimed part of the Funding will cease to be available. This grant will be subject to the accepted Terms and conditions and paid in arears of associated spend.

## Inclusion of Benefit in Kind

A separate report in respect of a remodelled budget for 2020/21 has been submitted for approval. On reviewing the estimated costs treated as a benefit in kind, there was deemed to be significant imbalance between those costs absorbed by the Local authorities and as a result a detailed report has been submitted to Joint Committee with recommendations addressing this inequity.

## 5. Financial Implications

5.1 The forecasted year end out-turn position (as at October 19) demonstrates a surplus of £78k, which will be transferred to the Swansea Bay City Deal ringfenced reserve at the year end. Expenditure is forecasted at £297k, which is offset by income through partner contributions of £375k.

## 6. Legal Implications

6.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

Appendices: These will be included within the report.

**Appendix A** Swansea Bay City Deal – Financial Monitoring Report 2019/20

**Appendix B** Breakdown of Benefit in Kind



# Swansea Bay City Deal Financial Monitoring Report (as at October 2019)

For the period ended 31st March 2020

_	Actuals	Interim Budget*	Forecast	Variance		
Description	2018/19	2019/20 £	2019/20 £	2019/20 £		
Programme Management Office	£	L	L	£		
Programme Management Office Pay (Inc. on-costs)	83,783	449,603	85,823	363,780		
Recharges - Employee costs Grant (direct)	182,617		63,078	(63,078)		
National Insurance	-	_	-	(03,070)		
Superannuation	_	_	_	0		
Apprentice Levy	326	_	224	(224)		
Training of Staff	-	15,000	500	14,500		
Rents General	13,648	15,450	14,892	558		
National Non Domestic Rates			6,575	(6,575)		
Electricity	_	2,472	-	2,472		
Gas	_	618	_	618		
Response Maintenance	630	500	_	500		
Public Transport - Staff	21	1,800	_	1,800		
Staff Travelling Expenses	1,575	17,820	2,833	14,987		
Admin, Office & Operational Consumables	16,738	1,000	-	1,000		
Printing & Copying	-	1,000	200	800		
Fees (Monitoring & Evaluation)	_	10,000	21,024	(11,024)		
Translation/Interpret Services	819	10,000	-	10,000		
ICTs & Computer Hardware	-	10,000	_	10,000		
Subsistence & Meetings Expenses	717	1,000	1,000	0		
Promotions, Marketing & Advertising	47,404	100,000	6,647	93.353		
Projects & Activities Expenditure		60,000	5,000	55,000		
Photocopying Recharge	77	-	57	(57)		
Furniture		10,500	-	10,500		
Total Programme Management Office Expenditure	348,355	706,763	207,853	498,910		
Accountable Body						
Pay (Inc. on-costs)	-	99,570	38,974	60,596		
Recharges - Employee costs Grant (direct)	100,349	-	-	0		
National Insurance	-	-	-	0		
Superannuation	-	-	-	0		
Apprentice Levy	-	-	221	(221)		
Staff Recruitment Expenses	597		-	0		
Audit Fee (Wales Audit Office)	10,000	25,000	25,000	0		
Total Accountable Body Expenditure	110,946	124,570	64,195	60,375		
Joint Committee						
Admin, Office & Operational Consumables				0		
Legal Fees	3,671	25,000	25,000	0		
Subsistence & Meetings Expenses	726	25,000	23,000	0		
Total Joint Committee Expenditure	4,397	25,000	25,000	0		
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Joint Scrutiny Committee						
Subsistence & Meetings Expenses	7,611	-	-	0		
Total Joint Scrutiny Committee Expenditure	7,611	-		0		
Total Expenditure	471 308	856 333	297 048	559,285		
.ou. Experience	4/1,308	856,333	297,048	333,283		
Funding Contributions						
SBCD Programme Contribution (top slice 1.5%)**	- [	723,000	-	(723,000)		
Government Grants - WAG	57,632	-	-	0		
Partner Contributions (LA & Co-Opt)	400,000	400,000	375,000	(25,000)		
Total Income	457,632	1,123,000	375,000	(748,000)		
Net Annual Total - Surplus/(Deficit)	(13,676)	266,667	77,952	(188,715)		

<sup>\*</sup>As agreed by Joint Committee - 30th July 2019.

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{**Ommitted 'Top Slice' element due to no grant being received to date.}\\$ 

Movement to Reserves		
<u>Description</u>	2018/19	2019/20
Balance Brought Forward from previous year	113,547	99,871
Appropriation/Contribution To Ring-fenced City Deal Reserve	(13,676)	77,952
Balance Carry Forward	99,871	177,823

## **Breakdown of Benefit in Kind**

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total
<u>Carmarthenshire</u>					
Finance Services Support (Section 151 Officer)	54,244	54,244	54,244	54,244	216,976
Total	54,244	54,244	54,244	54,244	216,976
<u>Pembrokeshire</u>					
Audit Support Function (Internal Audit Fees)	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	60,000
Total	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	60,000
<u>Swansea</u>					
Legal and Democratic Support (inclusive of Monitoring Officer)	103,849	103,849	103,849	103,849	415,398
Total	103,849	103,849	103,849	103,849	415,398
Neath Port Talbot					
Joint Committee					
Room Hire	1,890	1,890	1,890	1,890	7,560
Meeting Expenses	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	4,800
Travel	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	7,200
Joint Scrutny	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	80,000
Total	24,890	24,890	24,890	24,890	99,560
Total Absorbed Cost	197,984	197,984	197,984	197,984	791,934

# Agenda Item 9



## Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 28 January 2020

# **Internal Audit Governance Arrangements**

**Purpose:** To consider and note the Internal Audit Charter

**Policy Framework:** Internal Audit Governance Arrangements – Swansea Bay

City Region Joint Committee Agreement

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

1) The Joint Committee approves the draft Internal Audit Charter and Internal

Audit Terms of Reference 2019/20 attached.

**Report Author:** Jo, Hendy, Head of Internal Audit

**Finance Officer:** Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer SBCD **Legal Officer:** Tracey Meredith, Monitoring Officer, SBCD

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 The Internal Audit Charter defines the purpose, authority and responsibility for the provision of the Internal Audit service and establishes the position of Internal Audit within the Partnership, including reporting lines of the Head of Internal Audit. The Internal Audit Charter has been prepared in accordance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (2017), and takes into account the CIPFA Statement on the Role of the Head of Internal Audit in Public Sector Organisation (2019) and the CIPFA Statement on the Role of the Chief Financial Officer in Local Government (2016).

#### 2. Audit Function

2.1 Attached at appendix 1 and 2 are the draft Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Terms of Reference.

#### 3. Financial Implications

3.1 None.

















## 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

**Background Papers:** None.

## **Appendices:**

Appendix 1 - Internal Audit Charter.

Appendix 2 - Internal Audit Terms of Reference



## **INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE**

## INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER

#### 1. PURPOSE AND MISSION

- 1.1 The Internal Audit Service for Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Partnership will be provided by Pembrokeshire County Council Internal Audit service in accordance with the Joint Committee decision on 28 May 2019.
- 1.2 The purpose of the Internal Audit service is to provide independent, objective assurance and consulting services designed to add value and improve SBCD operations. The Internal Audit service helps the SBCD Partnership accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of governance, risk management, internal control and financial management arrangements. The provision of assurance services is the primary role for the Internal Audit service. The mission of internal audit is to enhance and protect organisational value by providing risk based and objective assurance, advice, and insight.

#### 2. THE ROLE OF INTERNAL AUDIT IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- 2.1 Section 151 of the Local Government Act 1972 states that every local authority in England and Wales should 'make arrangements for the proper administration of their financial affairs and shall secure that one of their officers has responsibility for the administration of those affairs'. The Director of Corporate Services for Carmarthenshire County Council is the designated Section 151 Officer for SBCD and has statutory responsibility for ensuring an effective internal audit function is resourced and maintained.
- 2.2 The Accounts and Audit Regulations (Wales) 2014 (as amended) state that a local government body 'must maintain an adequate and effective internal audit of its accounting records and its system of internal control. Any officer or member of that body must, if the body requires:
  - Make available such documents of the body which relate to its accounting and other records as appear to that body to be necessary for the purpose of the audit, and
  - b) Supply the body with such information and explanation as that body considers necessary for that purpose'.

2.3 The Relevant Internal Audit Standards Setters¹ introduced a common set of Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) in April 2013, which were updated in 2016 and 2017. The PSIAS are mandatory for every internal audit service provider for the public sector, whether internal, shared service or external. These are defined as 'proper internal audit practices'.

#### 3. STANDARDS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE OF INTERNAL AUDITING

- 3.1 The Internal Audit service will govern itself by adherence to the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) mandatory Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, Code of Ethics, Public Sector Internal Audit Standards and Definition of Internal Auditing.
- 3.2 The Head of Internal Audit will report periodically to the Section 151 Officer,
  Pembrokeshire County Councils Chief Executive, and the Joint Committee regarding the
  Internal Audit service's conformance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards.
- 3.3 The IIA's Practice Advisories, Practice Guides, and Position Papers will also be adhered to as applicable to guide operations. In addition, the Internal Audit service will adhere to the relevant policies and procedures of Pembrokeshire County Council and SBCD policies and procedures where defined.

#### 4. AUTHORITY

- 4.1 The Head of Internal Audit will adhere to the CIPFA Statement on the Role of the Head of Internal Audit in Public Service Organisations (2019) and will report functionally to the Joint Committee and Section 151 Officer (as outlined below in 4.3) and administratively to the Chief Executive of Pembrokeshire County Council. To ensure that the Internal Audit service has sufficient authority to fulfil its duties, the Joint Committee will:
  - Approve the Internal Audit Charter;
  - Approve the risk-based internal audit plan;
  - Receive communications from the Head of Internal Audit on the outcome of assurance and consulting activities;
  - Receive the annual Head of Internal Audit opinion and report that can be used by SBCD to inform its governance statement;
  - Make appropriate enquiries of management and the Head of Internal Audit to determine whether there are inappropriate scope or resource limitations.
- 4.2 The Internal Audit service must be free from interference in determining the scope of internal auditing, performing work and communicating results. In order to ensure independence the Head of Internal Audit will communicate and interact directly with the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Relevant Internal Audit Standard Setters are: HM Treasury in respect of central government; the Scottish Government, the Department of Finance and Personnel Northern Ireland and the Welsh Government in respect of central government and the health sector in their administrations; the Department of Health in respect of the health sector in England (excluding Foundation Trusts); and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy in respect of local government across the UK.

Joint Committee and will have a direct reporting line to the Chair of the Joint Committee.

- 4.3 In order to ensure that the Section 151 Officer can fulfil his statutory duty and comply with the CIPFA Statement on the Role of the Chief Financial Officer in Local Government (2016), the Head of Internal Audit will:
  - Consult with the Section 151 Officer when scoping the annual internal audit work
    plan to ensure sufficient assurance can be provided in line with CIPFA's Code of
    Practice on Local Authority Accounting in the UK;
  - Inform the Section 151 Officer immediately of any significant governance issues, high risks, material inaccuracies and any suspicions of fraudulent or irregular activity (as appropriate);
  - Inform the Section 151 Officer of any resource limitations that may impact on the delivery of the Internal Audit work plan;
  - Provide assurance to the Section 151 Officer on delivery of the Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme; the outcome of the annual self-assessment of conformance with the PSIAS; and, the outcome of the 5-yearly external assessment. Any factors of material non-compliance with the PSIAS will be brought to the attention of the Section 151 Officer.
- 4.4 The Internal Audit service, with strict accountability for confidentiality and safeguarding records and information, is authorised full, free, and unrestricted access to any and all of the SBCD records, physical properties, and personnel pertinent to carrying out any engagement. All employees (either directly employed by SBCD or employed in a Partner Organisation) are required to assist the internal audit activity in fulfilling its roles and responsibilities. The Internal Audit service will also have free and unrestricted access to the Joint Committee.

#### 5. INDEPENDENCE AND OBJECTIVITY

The Head of Internal Audit will ensure that the Internal Audit service remains free from all conditions that threaten the ability of Internal Auditors to carry out their responsibilities in an unbiased manner, including matters of audit selection, scope, procedures, frequency, timing, and report content. If the Head of Internal Audit determines that independence or objectivity may be impaired in fact or appearance, the details of impairment will be disclosed to appropriate parties.

Internal Auditors will maintain an unbiased mental attitude that allows them to perform engagements objectively and in such a manner that they believe in their work product, that no quality compromises are made, and that they do not subordinate their judgement on audit matters to others.

Internal Auditors will have no direct operational responsibility or authority over any of the activities audited. Accordingly, Internal Auditors will not implement internal controls, develop procedures, install systems, prepare records, or engage in any activity that may impair their judgment including:

- Assessing specific operations for which they had responsibility within the previous year;
- Performing any operational duties for SBCD or any operational duties for
   Pembrokeshire County Council that would conflict with the interests of SBCD;
- Directing the activities of any SBCD employee, except to the extent that such employees have appropriately assigned to assist Internal Auditors.

#### Internal Auditors will:

- Disclose any impairment of independence or objectivity, in fact or appearance, to appropriate parties;
- Exhibit professional objectivity in gathering, evaluating, and communicating information about the activity or process being examined;
- Make balanced assessments of all available and relevant facts and circumstances;
- Take necessary precautions to avoid being unduly influenced by their own interests or by others in forming judgments.

The Head of Internal Audit will confirm to the Joint Committee, at least annually, the organisational independence of the Internal Audit service.

All auditors are required to sign an annual declaration of interest to ensure that the allocation of audit work avoids conflict of interest. Auditors who undertake any consultancy work will be prohibited from auditing those areas. Audits are rotated within the team to avoid over-familiarity and complacency.

#### 6. SCOPE OF INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITIES

The scope of internal auditing encompasses, but is not limited to, the examination and evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of the SBCD's governance, risk management, financial management and internal control arrangements in relation defined objectives. Internal control objectives considered by Internal Audit include:

- Risks relating to the achievement of SBCD's strategic objectives are appropriately identified and managed;
- Consistency of operations or programmes with established objectives and effective performance;
- Effectiveness and efficiency of operations and employment of resources;
- Compliance with policies, plans, procedures, laws and regulations;
- Reliability and integrity of management and financial information processes, including the means to identify, measure, classify, and report such information;

 Resources and assets are acquired economically, used efficiently, and protected adequately.

Due to its detailed knowledge and understanding of risks and controls, Internal Audit is well placed to provide advice and support on emerging risks and issues. As a result, Internal Audit may perform consulting and advisory services related to governance, risk management, internal control and financial management as appropriate, subject to the availability of resources and full cost recovery.

The Head of Internal Audit will report periodically to the Section 151 Officer, Pembrokeshire County Councils Chief Executive and the Joint Committee regarding:

- The Internal Audit service's purpose, authority and responsibility;
- The scope and outcome of the annual Internal Audit work plan;
- The Internal Audit service's conformance with the IIA's Code of Ethics and Standards, and action plans to address any significant conformance issues;
- Significant risk exposures and control issues, including fraud risks, governance issues, and other matters requiring the attention of, or requested by, the Joint Committee;
- Resource requirements;
- Any response to risk by management that may be unacceptable to SBCD.

The Head of Internal Audit has the responsibility to:

- Submit an annual risk-based work plan to the Joint Committee for approval, following consultation with the Section 151 Officer (as outlined in 4.3);
- Communicate to the Section 151 Officer, Chief Executive and the Joint Committee the impact of resource limitations on the internal audit plan.
- Review and adjust the internal audit plan, as necessary, in response to changes in SBCD's business risks, operations, programmes, systems and controls;
- Ensure that the audit engagement process is undertaken in accordance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards;
- Follow up on engagement findings and corrective actions, and report periodically to Senior Management and the Audit Committee any corrective actions not effectively implemented;
- Ensure the principles of integrity, objectivity, confidentiality and competency are applied and upheld;
- Ensure that the Internal Audit service collectively possesses or obtains the knowledge, skills, and other competencies needed to meet the requirement of the Internal Audit Charter;

- Ensure trends and emerging issues that could impact on SBCD are considered and communicated to Senior Management and the Joint Committee as appropriate;
- Ensure emerging trends and successful practices in Internal Auditing are considered and implemented where appropriate.

Provide a 'Head of Internal Audit Annual Opinion and Report' to the Joint Committee to provide assurance on the overall adequacy and effectiveness of SBCD's governance, internal control, risk management and financial management arrangements in place.

#### 7. QUALITY ASSURANCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

The Head of Internal Audit is responsible for documenting and continuously reviewing a quality assurance improvement programme. This will involve ensuring appropriate supervisory checks are in place within the service to monitor continued compliance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards on all audit engagements. Additionally a skills gap analysis will be undertaken to ensure the existing skills base is sufficient to meet the demands of the SBCD. Where a skills gap is identified, this will be highlighted to the Section 151 Officer who may consider providing additional funding for training purposes or procuring specialist knowledge or skills where applicable.

#### 8. PERIODIC ASSESSMENT

The Head of Internal Audit is responsible for periodically providing a self-assessment on the internal audit activity as regards its compliance with the Audit Charter (purpose, authority, responsibility) and performance relative to its annual plan. Results will be reported at least annually to the Section 151 Officer, Pembrokeshire County Council Chief Executive and the Joint Committee.

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards, an external assessment must be conducted at least once every five years by a qualified, independent assessor or assessment team from outside Pembrokeshire County Council. Arrangements for an external assessment is undertaken as part of Pembrokeshire County Councils responsibility for Internal Audit, however, the results will be communicated to the Section 151 Officer and the Joint Committee.

#### 9. ROLE IN COUNTER FRAUD

The internal audit plan is designed, in part, to help deter and identify fraud and corruption. Internal Audit bases its planning on regular risk assessment, and works with the Section 151 Officer (responsible for implementing appropriate measures to prevent and detect fraud and corruption) and the Programme Director as well as the Joint Committee when determining its work programme.

The Section 151 Officer or Joint Committee may commission the Internal Audit service to undertake an investigation into purported fraud or irregularity, subject to the availability of resources and full cost recovery for additional work over and above the approved annual internal audit work plan and annual Head of Internal Audit Opinion and Report.

#### 10. ASSURANCE MAPPING

**SIGNATURES:** 

In accordance with the PSIAS, the Head of Internal Audit will liaise with other assurance providers when scoping the internal audit work plan. To avoid duplication of effort, the Internal Audit service will place reliance on the work of other assurance providers where the scope and standard of work are sufficient to fulfil the assurance requirements of SBCD.

Head of Internal Audit:	Date:
Section 151 Officer:	Date:
Pembrokeshire County Council Chief Executive:	Date:
Chair of the Joint Committee:	Date:

#### **AUDIT TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Swansea Bay City Deal**

#### 1. Introduction

As part of the annual internal audit plan, a review of the Swansea Bay City Deal will be undertaken.

## 2. Objectives

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.

### 3. Scope

The review will cover the following key areas:

#### Governance

- Follow Up of Swansea Bay City Deal Internal Review of Governance Arrangements
- Follow Up of Swansea Bay City Deal Independent Review (Actica)
- Legal Agreement & Policy Framework
- Organisation Structure (including service provision arrangements with Local Authorities and the role of the Programme Management Office)

#### Financial Management

- Core Funding (including partner contributions, budgetary control, and compliance with financial procedures)
- Grant Funding (including funding agreements, distribution of funds, and compliance with grant terms & conditions)

#### Risk Management

• Risk Appetite & Risk Management Methodology

#### **Internal Control**

• Project Management, Monitoring & Deliverability

#### 4. Audit Approach

The auditor undertaking this review will be Justin Blewitt, Senior Internal Auditor and will involve:

- Interviews with the relevant officers
- Examining relevant documents
- Recording the system in operation
- Evaluation of the adequacy of internal controls
- Compliance and substantive testing
- Reporting to management and making recommendations where appropriate

## 5. Reporting Arrangements

The draft report will be issued to the Swansea Bay City Deal Section 151 Officer and the Finance Manager. Discussions will then take place to approve the report and agree action in respect of any recommendations for improvement that may be made. Upon approval of the draft report, the final report will be issued to the Swansea Bay City Deal Section 151 Officer and the Finance Manager (and will be reported to Programme Board and the Joint Committee).

J Hendy Head of Internal Audit Date: 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020

# Agenda Item 10



## Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 28 January 2020

# **Implementation Plan (Version 22)**

**Purpose:** To consider and approve the latest version of the

Implementation Plan

**Policy Framework:** Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

Agreement

Consultation:

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

1) The Joint Committee approves the latest version of the Implementation

Plan.

Report Author: Helen Morgan, Regional Office

**Finance Officer:** Chris Moore, Section 151 Officer, SBCD **Legal Officer:** Tracey Meredith, Monitoring Officer, SBCD

**Access to Services Officer:** 

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Swansea Bay City Deal Implementation Plan has been developed to set out the high-level activities that will support the delivery of the Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD).
- 1.2 The Plan outlines the work of the Joint Committee and supporting structures including programme governance, stakeholder engagement, programme implementation, monitoring, evaluation and indicative milestones for the SBCD programme and its projects.
- 1.3 The Joint Committee will review the Implementation Plan annually, with the first review to take place no later than one year after the approval of the Implementation Plan. Reviews in later years will take place no later than one year after the previous review. The Programme should be managed as a Portfolio, not as a set of predetermined and immutable projects.
- 1.4 The City Deal's Implementation Plan is an evolving document.















1.5 The latest version of this document (version 22) takes on board the revised Neath Port Talbot programme of projects, as well as updated financial profiles for projects within the City Deal programme.

1.6 Other revisions in this latest version include a section on the reviews into the City Deal, as well as additions to the section of the document about

interdependencies between key City Deal themes.

2. Implementation Plan

2.1 The full Implementation Plan is appended at Appendix 1.

3. Financial Implications

3.1 Each project has its own financial implications, which are the responsibility of

each project lead authority.

3.2 All figures included in the Implementation Plan are currently on an estimated basis. The scrutiny of all project figures will be undertaken when the detailed

project business plan is considered by Programme Board and Joint Committee.

4. Legal Implications

4.1 The Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee Agreement provides that the

Joint Committee will review the Implementation Plan annually.

**Background Papers:** None

**Appendices:** Appendix 1 – Implementation Plan (Version 22)

# Implementation Plan (Version 22) – Appendix 1

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## **Swansea Bay City Deal**

## 1.0 Summary of Programme

The Swansea Bay City Region covers the four local authority areas of Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea.

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 Swansea Bay City Deal is a total investment of £1.3 billion over a period of 15 years. This consists of £241 million from the UK and Welsh Governments, £396 million from other public sector funding, and £637 million from the private sector.

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 programme 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.

The strands of innovation, skills and digital infrastructure create synergies across the themes and projects of the Swansea Bay City Deal.

## Partnership working

















The Swansea Bay City Deal is an excellent example of partnership working between councils, universities and education providers, health boards, the UK and Welsh Governments, and the business community. It demonstrates what collaboration and joined-up thinking can achieve for our citizens.

The City Deal is also a good example of the 5 Ways of Working promoted by the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The City Deal will make a significant contribution to the seven well-being goals.

Being a 15-year programme, the Swansea Bay City Deal gives an excellent opportunity to address persistent challenges such as climate change, poverty, inequality, jobs, skills and rurality in a transformational and preventative way.

It is also an opportunity for the four local authorities and City Deal partners as a whole to demonstrate use of the 5 Ways of Working to maximise their contribution to the well-being goals required under the Act, through a major public and private sector investment programme.

The Regional Office has been in discussions with the Office of the Future Generations Commissioner in Cardiff to explore at the outset how the SBCD projects can use the Act as a framework at the design stage of projects. This approach would then ensure contribution of each SBCD project towards the Act's seven Goals, while improving the 5 Ways of Working during project development.

The 5 Ways of Working principles will be used as a starting point for helping projects consider how they can involve people in the project's development, who they should be collaborating with, and what the long-term trends are that need to be considered or addressed.

The Office of the Future Generations Commissioner in Cardiff has developed a specific framework based on the 5 Ways of Working and the seven Well-being Goals. This Framework will allow SBCD Project Leads to use the Act to shape the development and assessment of projects and to drive their design and implementation. It has been shared with each of the Project Leads to assist in identifying improvements that need to be made to ensure the project adheres to the Act, while maximising the future benefits of the Swansea Bay City Deal Programme.

## 2.0 Outcomes and benefits

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.

By 2035 we will:

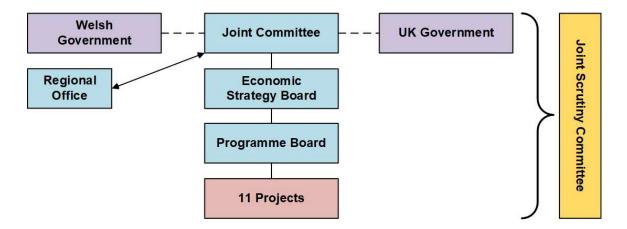
- Transform the regional economy
- · Establish and maintain an effective and aligned skills base
- Create, prove and commercialise new technologies and ideas
- · Be a recognised regional centre of excellence in:
  - The application of digital technologies
  - Life Science and Well-being
  - Energy
  - Advanced manufacturing

At the end of the programme period, it's estimated the Swansea Bay City Deal will lead to:

- Funding of £1.3 billion (including a £600 million private sector contribution) for interventions to support economic growth across the City Region
- A portfolio of transformational projects throughout the City Region
- A £1.8 billion contribution to regional GVA
- The creation of over 9,465 high-skilled jobs
- Investment spread across the entire City Region to ensure benefits for residents and businesses in all communities, both urban and rural

In addition to the above outcomes, the City Deal will also have wider social and economic benefits at both a programme wide and project specific level. The full detail of all City Deal outcomes and benefits will be set out in a Monitoring and Evaluation Plan that will provide details on the capturing, monitoring and evaluation of key information throughout the City Deal programme.

## 3.0 Programme Governance set out in City Deal heads of terms



#### 3.1 Joint Committee

The Joint Committee comprises the four local authority Leaders of Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea.

The Joint Committee will be chaired by a local authority Leader. Its current chair is the Leader of Swansea Council.

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.

The first formal meeting of Joint Committee took place on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018 when each of the four local authorities signed the Joint Committee Agreement – a legal document that 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 advisor, but they 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 for the four local authority Leaders.

The Joint Committee meets on a monthly basis and, as set out in the Joint Committee Agreement, its functions include:

- Identifying and introducing appropriate governance structures for the implementation of any projects within the Swansea Bay City Deal programme. This shall include the formation of corporate bodies and any other structures which the Councils can lawfully establish or participate in
- Agreeing and planning the overall strategy for and delivery of the Swansea Bay City Deal programme
- Performance management of the Swansea Bay City Deal programme
- Strategic communications
- Monitoring the City Deal programme's impact
- Reporting of impact to regional local authorities
- Authorising the Accountable Body to commission external support and to oversee the delivery and management of project expenditure
- Progressing a regional approach for the discharge of strategic functions. These functions may include land use, planning, transport and economic development
- Approval and adoption of the Implementation Plan
- Approval of any Implementation Plan deadline extension agreed by the Councils
- 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
- Consideration of project business cases, based on recommendations from Programme Board and the Economic Strategy Board
- Determining whether or not to approve the submission of projects to the UK and Welsh Governments for approval/the release of government funds

## 3.2 Economic Strategy Board

Reporting to the Joint Committee, the Economic Strategy Board (ESB) is made up of representatives from the private sector in key City Deal themes including energy, life sciences, manufacturing and housing.

The Economic Strategy Board acts as the voice of business, providing strategic direction for the City Deal through advice to the Joint Committee on matters relating to the City Region. It also has a role in advising the Joint Committee on opportunities to strengthen the City Deal's impact.

The Chair is accountable to the Joint Committee. Reaching agreement by consensus, the Economic Strategy Board does not have formal decision-making powers.

The Economic Strategy Board meets with the following frequency, or as and when required:

- o Quarterly in advance of any Joint Committee meeting; and
- When necessary to deal with business as agreed by the Chair of the Economic Strategy Board.

The Regional Office will arrange for minutes of each meeting to be taken, approved and recorded. Key activities of the Economic Strategy Board include:

- Submitting strategic objectives for the Swansea Bay City Region
- Assessing the individual project business cases against the strategic aims and objectives
  of the City Deal
- Making recommendations to the Joint Committee on whether or not the project business cases should proceed
- Considering implications of a proposed withdrawal or change of project local authority lead
- Considering any proposal for a new project
- Providing recommendations to the Joint Committee on whether or not the new project proposed should replace the project to be withdrawn
- Determining the process for selecting new projects or reallocating funding
- Monitoring progress of the City Deal's delivery

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, with membership being drawn from across private sector. The Economic Strategy Board membership was agreed through a vote at the first formal meeting of the Joint Committee on 31st August, 2018.

#### 3.3 Programme Board

Accountable to the Joint Committee, the Programme Board consists of the head of paid service

of each of the four Councils, or another officer nominated by the head of paid service. The Programme Board Chair shall be reviewed annually.

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

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

The Programme Board has four distinct roles:

- Preparing recommendations on the Swansea Bay City Deal programme:
  - Ensuring that all schemes are developed in accordance with the agreed package
  - Analysing each City Deal project's financial viability, deliverability and risk
  - Overseeing the production of business cases.
- Advising on the strategic direction of the Economic Strategy Board
- Overseeing performance and delivery of projects by reviewing progress against agreed milestones, focussing 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, strategic land use, housing and regeneration

Meetings of the Programme Board will take place on a monthly basis before meetings of Joint Committee and the Economic Strategy Board.

## 3.4 Accountable Body

In accordance with the Joint Committee Agreement, it was agreed that Carmarthenshire County Council would act as the Accountable Body responsible for discharging City Deal obligations for all regional councils.

The role of the Accountable Body is to:

- Act as the primary interface with the Welsh Government, the UK Government and any other funding bodies
- Hold and release any Government funding in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal
- Only to use and release these funds in accordance with the terms of the Joint Committee Agreement
- Comply with the funding conditions set out in the Joint Committee Agreement
- Undertake the accounting and auditing responsibilities set out in the Joint Committee Agreement
- Employ Regional Office staff

## 3.5 Regional Office

Reporting directly to the Joint Committee, the Regional Office plays a co-ordinating and supporting role. 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 Regional Office include:

- Strategic liaison with the UK Government, Welsh Government and policy advisors
- Governance support for all aspects of the City Deal governance structure
- Programme implementation, co-ordination, monitoring and evaluation
- Undertaking research, analysis and reporting as and when requested by groups within the governance structure
- Strategic project co-ordination including 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 programmes, 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
- The consideration and development of opportunities for additional funding sources to assist in the delivery of regional activities which are complimentary to the SBCD.

## 3.6 Swansea Bay City Deal reviews

In December 2018, it was announced there would be two reviews into the Swansea Bay City Deal – an external, independent review; along with an internal review.

The findings of both the external review (carried out by Actica consulting) and the internal review (carried out by Pembrokeshire County Council) were published in March 2019.

Joint Committee has agreed to implement all recommendations arising from the reviews, which include:

- The appointment of a new City Deal Programme Director
- The establishment of a new City Deal Portfolio Management Office, led by the new Programme Director
- The management of the City Deal as a portfolio, as opposed to a set of predetermined and immutable projects
- A redistribution of roles and functions to ensure an equitable balance across the City Deal partnership, each acting as a check and balance for the other

Progress includes the appointment in December 2019 of a new City Deal Programme Director.

Roles and functions have also already been redistributed as below to ensure a more equitable balance across the City Deal partnership:

- Legal and democratic services Swansea Council
- Finance Carmarthenshire Council
- Audit Pembrokeshire Council
- Scrutiny Neath Port Talbot Council

Carmarthenshire Council will continue as the Accountable Body.

## **4.0 Joint Committee Work Programme**

A detailed work programme has been developed in Gantt format. This will be continually monitored and updated to ensure progress is being made.

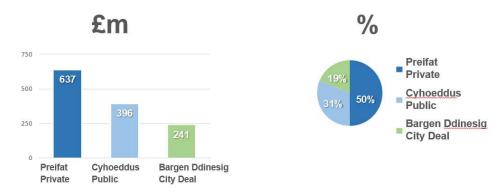
Summarised key actions for the Joint Committee include:

Category	Action	(Using Calendar Year)	Responsibility	
Governance	JCA & SBCD governance approved at Full Council meeting in each of the 4 LAs	Complete	4 LAs	
	Formal agreement of JCA & SBCD governance	Complete	Joint Committee	
	Formal establishment of Economic Strategy Board	Complete	Joint Committee /UKG & WG	
	Establish Joint Scrutiny Arrangements	Complete	Neath Port Talbot	
	Formal approval of Implementation Plan	Qtr1 2020	Joint Committee	
Finance	Identify and agree LA borrowing requirements	Qtr1 2020	LAs Section 151 Officers and Legal Officers / Accountable Body / JC	
	Identify funding for revenue requirements and agree position on NNDR & Capitalisation	In principle agreement reached Qtr2 2019	Accountable Body / LAs Section 151 Officers / Joint Committee	
	Formal agreement of process principles for flow of finances for Regional and Local Authority City Deal projects as set out in the Joint Committee Agreement	Qtr 1 2020	4 LAs / Joint Committee	
SBCD Project development /approval	Agree submission process and timescales for projects to Governments	Complete	Regional Office / / UKG & WG / JC	
	Agree project approval process	Complete	Accountable Body / 4 LAs / JC / UK & WG	
Legal and Procurement	Draft SBCD JCA developed	Complete	Accountable Body/ LAs Section 151 Officers and Legal Officers	
	Develop Economic Strategy Board TOR for approval	Complete	Accountable Body/ LAs Section 151 Officers and Legal Officers	
	Develop City Deal Regional Procurement principles	Qtr2 2020	Accountable Body/Regional Office	
	Contracts Register to be established to identify and report on community benefits	Qtr2 2020	Regional Office /Accountable Body	
	Develop Template Funding Agreement between the Project Authority Lead and the Project Lead to allow the transfer of City Deal Funding	Qtr 1 2020	Accountable Body/ LAs Section 151 Officers and	

			Legal Officers/ Joint Committee
Monitoring and Evaluation	Programme Risk Register Developed	Complete	Regional Office/Accountable Body
	Final Version Monitoring and Evaluation Plan agreed	Qtr1 2020	Regional Office / UKG & WG
Stakeholder Engagement	Development and agreement of Business & Stakeholder Engagement Plan	Qtr2 2019 & Ongoing	Regional Office / Joint Committee
Strategic Regional Functions	Explore key strategic functions at a regional level that will support both the implementation of this Deal and wider development activity	Ongoing	Programme Board / Joint Committee / UK & WG

## 5.0 Programme Financing

The Swansea Bay City Deal is a total investment of £1.3 billion over a period of 15 years. This consists of £241 million from the UK and Welsh Governments, £396 million from other public sector funding, and £637 million from the private sector.



The Joint Committee Agreement sets out details of the allocation of Government funding and private and public funding contributions for each project. The proportion of Government funding shall be in accordance with the details set out in the JCA Schedule 7 (table shown below) unless the Councils agree to vary this.

The City Deal portfolio of projects set out in the heads of terms can be seen in the diagram below.

PROJECT NAME	Private	Public	City Deal	Total Project Costs
	(£ m)	(£ m)	(£ m)	(£ m)
Internet of Economic Acceleration				
Digital Infrastructure	30.0	0.0	25.0	55.0
Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District	23.9	94.3	50.0	168.2
Creati∨e Digital Cluster - Yr Egin	3.0	16.3	5.0	24.3
Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Services (CENGS)	27.0	5.5	23.0	55.5
Skills & Talent Initiative	4.0	16.0	10.0	30.0
Internet of Life Science & Well-being				
Life Science & Well-being Campuses	10.0	20.0	15.0	45.0
Life Science & Well-being Village	127.5	32.0	40.0	199.5
Internet of Energy				
Homes as Power Stations	382.9	119.2	15.0	517.1
Pembroke Dock Marine	25.9	22.4	28.0	76.3
Smart Manufacturing				
Factory of the Future	3.2	10.3	10.0	23.5
Steel Science Centre	0.0	60.0	20.0	80.0
TOTALS	637.4	395.9	241.0	1,274.3

## 5.1 Revised Neath Port Talbot programme

The City Deal projects originally due to be led by Neath Port Talbot Council included Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Services (CENGS), Factory of the Future and the Steel Science Centre.

To better meet the needs of Neath Port Talbot/regional residents and businesses, however, a new programme of projects to be part City Deal funded was approved by Neath Port Talbot Council's Cabinet in July 2019.

The £58.7 million Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme has been developed to deliver a co-ordinated delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in the region, with a targeted focus on the Port Talbot Harbourside area.

The Programme aims to create the right environment for innovation, new technologies and a decarbonised local and regional economy.

A GVA contribution of £6.2 million a year is being projected once all projects are operational. along with the creation of 446 new, high-value added jobs. This would generate a GVA impact of £93 million over 15 years.

A 15-year Net Present Value (NPV) of £145 million is also projected.

Funding of £47.7 million is being sought from the Swansea Bay City Deal, with other funding coming from Neath Port Talbot Council and the private sector.

The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme has been developed around four interlinked themes:

- Swansea Bay Technology Centre An energy positive building on Baglan Energy Park providing flexible office space for start-up companies and indigenous businesses, with a focus on the innovation, ICT and R&D sectors. The excess energy from solar and other renewable technologies will be converted into hydrogen at the nearby Hydrogen Centre to be used to fuel hydrogen vehicles.
- 2. **National Steel Innovation Centre** that aims to support the steel and metals industry in Port Talbot and Wales with the aim of reducing the carbon footprint of the steel and metals industry, and increasing the sustainability of the industry, linking in to the circular economy.
- 3. **Decarbonisation** To assist with the delivery of decarbonising the City Region, a number of core projects will be undertaken in collaboration with public, private and academic partners including the FLEXIS research operation. These projects include a hard-wired electrical link between the Swansea Bay Technology Centre and the nearby Hydrogen Centre, as well as an electrical charging infrastructure route map. Encouraging the uptake of electric vehicles, this includes the development and implementation of an electric vehicle charging network that meets the demands of residents, businesses and visitors. New charging stations will contribute to solving Wales' lag in electrical vehicle charging infrastructure and coverage compared to the rest of the UK. Air quality modelling and real-time monitoring will also be introduced to enable better informed air quality decisions in future. This project will include data analytics to identify correlation with pollution sources, evaluation of intervention measures, and area wide, real-time data with significantly more geographic detail than is currently available.
- 4. Industrial Futures This will address the gap between demand and supply for businesses and available land in the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone, with a hybrid building providing production units as well as office space to support start-ups and indigenous businesses especially those in the innovation and manufacturing sectors. There will also be laboratory space supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise research and development projects, as well as land remediation, flood defence work, construction of access roads and upgrading of highways. A Property Development Fund will also be made available to support the viability of private sector schemes to develop buildings in the Enterprise Zone.

The portfolio of projects meets the requirements of recommendations arising from reviews into the City Deal, while also representing a first stage response to the climate change emergency declared by the Welsh Government in April, 2019.

The programme will develop over 18,000 square metres of business space, primarily to meet evidenced demand from small to medium sized businesses, while providing the technological platforms essential for them to grow.

#### 5.2 Synergies with the Swansea Bay City Deal programme

The Programme will meet City Deal portfolio objectives by:

- Reducing gap in GVA performance between the Region and the UK through improving regional productivity - Analysis estimates an annual GVA impact of £6.2 million once all projects are fully operational. It's also estimated that the programme will deliver a positive, cumulative NPV of £145 million over 15 years.
- Creating high-value jobs 1,320 jobs (including construction) will be safeguarded/created, with at least 30% of these to be new. Jobs will be created in the advanced manufacturing, energy, engineering and technology sectors.
- Establishing and maintaining an effective and aligned skills base All
  Programme projects will work with the Regional Learning and Skills
  partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of
  the investment.
- Creating, proving and commercialising new technologies and ideas The
  overall project will develop over 18,000 square metres of business space. This
  will include flexible office space for start-up companies and indigenous
  businesses to commercialise their ideas and technologies. There will also be
  laboratory space supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise
  research and development projects. The National Steel Innovation Centre will
  facilitate the commercialisation of steel science research and development.
- Building capacity and driving forward further and greater inward investment Employment sites and premises will be developed to house growing
   indigenous businesses and attract investment, helping meet gaps in business
   property supply through a demand-led approach with sufficient capacity. A
   distinctive programme of decarbonisation for manufacturing will also be
   developed, helping attract investment, along with a property development fund
   to stimulate private sector investment. The marketability of the Enterprise
   Zone for further investment will also be enhanced.
- Creating a sustainable regional economy that contributes meaningfully to the economy of Wales and the UK The project will inject momentum into the delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in Neath Port Talbot and the wider City Region. A sustainable regional economy will be created via decarbonisation to establish cleaner processes for industry and cleaner air for communities. Decarbonisation interventions will also promote sustainable travel, buildings and economic growth, while creating a more diversified economy. This will contribute to Wales and UK-wide climate change targets. The project will also invest in 21st century employment facilities to create sustainable jobs in identified sectors, with innovative steelmaking research and development due to benefit the steel industry in Neath Port Talbot, the City Region and far beyond.

The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme is also aligned to the four 'internet' themes within the City Deal programme:

- The Internet of Economic Acceleration: next generation digital infrastructure
- The Internet of Life Science and Well-being: expanding research and innovation
- The Internet of Energy: energy innovation and sustainable housing
- Smart manufacturing

The energy efficient buildings and decarbonisation elements of the programme align to the regional Homes as Power Stations project, as well as the Pembroke Dock Marine project aimed at boosting South West Wales' blue economy

Next generation digital infrastructure, as well as the potential for early in-region access to 5G, will boost business productivity in the new employment spaces being developed, helping attract further investment.

The Programme will also accelerate work to decarbonise the economy, while facilitating advanced research and development to safeguard the future of the steel industry.

All projects forming part of the programme will work with the Regional Learning and Skills Partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of this investment.

## 5.3 Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations Act

The Programme will meet the requirements of the Well-being of Future Generations Act by helping create:

- A prosperous Wales through the provision of new employment and efficient use of resources via building design and the re-use of brownfield land
- A resilient Wales via new business premises, with the necessary technological infrastructure to promote diversification and reduce overreliance on traditional industries and public sector employment
- A healthier Wales, with long-standing evidence demonstrating the positive impact of employment on health and well-being
- A more equal Wales, thanks to the programme including opportunities accessible to all to reduce societal inequalities
- Cohesive Communities through sustainable, viable employment
- A Vibrant Culture and thriving Welsh Language, with increased employment opportunities supporting the language in the medium and longer term
- A Globally Responsible Wales, thanks to the design and delivery of buildings in line with required sustainable development principles

#### 5.4 Responsibilities and accountability

The Joint Committee has ultimate responsibility and accountability for decisions taken in relation to the Swansea Bay City Deal. It is the role of Programme Board to ensure that all schemes are developed in accordance with the agreed package by 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.

Private Sector investment is fundamental to the overall success of the Deal. There is a requirement for each City Deal project to have a credible and robust financial profile in place from the outset. All letters confirming both private and public sector match funding are to be in place for the project prior to City Deal funding approved, confirming amount and timing as set out in the project's approved financial profile. The Project

Authority Lead and Project Delivery Lead are to put in place effective project monitoring processes. Funding agreements will be signed at the outset between Project Authority Leads and Project Delivery Leads setting out funding conditions.

For all projects, in addition to the 5-case model assessment process, the Accountable Body will undertake an assessment of the Project's Financial Profile to check that private and public sector contribution/s are in line with that set out in the initial project business case from the Project Lead. All variances and changes, including implications of these, will be reported to the PB, ESB and JC for consideration and decision of course of action as deemed necessary before City Deal funding is approved for the project.

It is the aim of the Swansea Bay City Deal that all projects will be delivered in five years in order to maximise the full benefits realisation of the operational schemes during the lifetime of City Deal funding, which is to be released to the Region from the governments over a 15-year period.

As set out in the JCA, making decisions on borrowing and finding other sources of funding other than Government Funding for projects is a matter reserved to the Councils. Each Council shall be responsible for borrowing or providing other funding for projects located in its area.

If a project is located in more than one Council area, each local authority involved may agree that borrowing or funding should either be shared equally, or in proportions approved by all.

The Programme Board will prepare recommendations to Joint Committee on all schemes, while also ensuring project development in accordance with the agreed package.

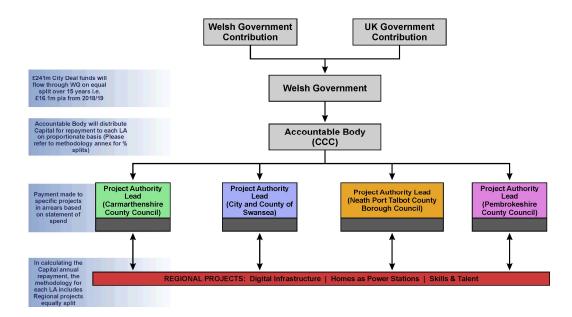
The Joint Committee is responsible for overseeing the proportion of each Council's responsibility for borrowing to provide funding for regional projects. The capital borrowing (in respect of the Government funded element) for the SBCD projects will be re-paid by identified Government funds (UK & Welsh Government) over the 15-year period.

The exact level of borrowing and the structure and terms of the borrowing is yet to be confirmed, although it will be calculated based on the amount required per relevant local authority, and will be in line with individual local authority internal requirements. This is being determined by the four regional local authority Section 151 Officers. All borrowing will be agreed based on the principles of the Prudential Code and Treasury Management Policy and Strategy for each Authority. When further details of the investments required for each project are known, a full business case appraisal for each individual project will be completed and submitted to the relevant local authority for approval before submission to the Joint Committee. These full business cases will include the detailed funding proposals and requirements of the local authority.

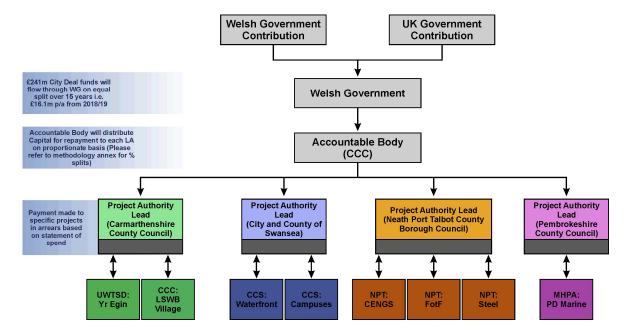
The Welsh Government has given an in-principle agreement that the local authorities in the SBCD region will be allowed to retain 50% of the additional net yield in the non-domestic rates generated by City Deal projects. The basis of the allocation of the rates generated within the SBCD is yet to be agreed. This is being negotiated by the four Section 151 Officers of the four local authorities. There's additional information that provides authorities with support to utilise funding flexibilities within the Joint Committee Agreement appendices 1.

Once the UK Government and Welsh Government have approved release of City Deal funding for individual CD projects, this funding will be released to the Region via the Accountable Body who, in accordance with the Joint Committee Agreement, will distribute the funds to the regional local authorities as demonstrated in the following flow charts:

#### 5.5 City Deal flow of finances (Regional projects)



#### 5.6 City Deal flow of finances (Local authority projects)



#### **6.0 Strategic Programme Risks**

Each Swansea Bay City Deal project carries its own associated risks which will be mitigated throughout the application and delivery process. A detailed risk analysis will be undertaken for all projects by the Project Delivery Lead as part of the development of the 5 case business model process, with a project specific risk register established to assist in the ongoing management and mitigation of all risks.

A detailed Programme Risk Register has been developed for the Swansea Bay City Deal Programme. This risk register will be managed, revised and updated by the Regional Office, with both Programme Board and Joint Committee tasked with its continual review.

A summary of the most significant programme risks is outlined in the table below. It should be noted, however, that these risks are shown at this point in time and that the status of each will alter throughout the Programme's duration.

Category	Risk	Probability Scale Low 1:5 High	Impact Scale Low 1:5 High	Mitigation
ŧ	Delay in approval of Joint Committee Agreement	1	1	JCA formally approved by each of the four LAs at meetings of the Full Council. JCA signed-off at first formal JC meeting in August 2018.  Revised JCA also now approved by JC and all 4 LAs
Development	Delay in approval of Implementation Plan	4	4	IP signed off in principle at the first JC on 31st August 2018. Revised IP following SBCD reviews due for completion and approval in January 2020
	Delay in establishment of Economic Strategy Board	1	1	ESB Chair and membership approved at first formal Joint Committee meeting on 31st August 2018. Introductory session held on 19th September 2018 to assist members in their new role.
	Delay in development of Business Cases by Project Leads	2	3	Critical dates developed to assist in mapping out project development, submission and approval process timelines. Programme Board and ESB in place to oversee the development of business cases. Joint Committee Agreement in place which sets out agreed processes for deciding on any actions required. Three projects now submitted for formal approval following sign off by City Deal governance. Work to develop other business cases continues, with a number soon earmarked for approval and submission to both governments.
Implementation	Delay in approval of City Deal Business Cases	2	3	JCA and governance structure formalised in August 18. Regional Project Authority Leads / Project Authority Leads will have early sight of relevant draft version business cases.  Agreement of submission process and timescales for review of final business plans with both governments. Joint Committee forward work programme approved in December 2018. Forward work programme for ESB approved in January 2018.  The region has worked closely to support both reviews to ensure timely, speedier approval of project business cases can be obtained.
	Business case is not approved / project falls	2	3	Open and regular dialogue between Accountable Body, RO, Project Delivery Lead and Project Lead Early identification of potential trigger points and any potential mitigating/rectifying actions. If irreconcilable, Joint Committee Agreement in place which sets out agreed processes for identifying new project(s) to achieve the outcomes of the City Deal. Findings of the UK and Welsh Government independent review and the internal SBCD review in Jan 2019 will further assure that the processes outlined in the previous

Category	Risk	Probability Scale Low 1:5	Impact Scale Low 1:5	Mitigation
		High	High	update are robust and effective in mitigating the likelihood that a business case is not approved.
	Slippage in Programme delivery	3	3	Establish robust monitoring and evaluation framework to ensure programme and project delivery remains within agreed timescales, and to ensure that all targeted project outputs and outcomes will be achieved. Regional Team in place to undertake monitoring role. Accountable Body/Section 151 officers will undertake programme level financial profiling to ensure borrowing and distribution of City Deal funding is reflective of programme delivery. Independent and internal City Deal reviews completed in March 2019, with Joint Committee agreeing to implement all recommendations.  The implementation of these recommendations is ongoing.
	Withdrawal of Local Authority	1	2	JCA signed by each LA which clearly sets out agreed provisions for such a scenario.
Operational	Failure to engage relevant stakeholders including private sector to enable wider development of the programme	2	1	Economic Strategy Board in place from the outset providing private sector involvement. Key stakeholders already engaged. SBCD Business Engagement Manager and Communications Officer employed in the RO to ensure early and ongoing involvement. Regular City Deal attendance of business events across the region, with a major event held in December 2018. A further City Deal event for the business community is planned for Qtr1 2020. Regular City Deal communications ongoing via the media, the City Deal website, the City Deal social media accounts, and e-newsletters targeted at the business community. Communications and engagement plan in place, and being continually monitored and updated to reflect developments/milestones.
	Failure to achieve agreed outcomes / outputs in agreed timeframe	3	4	Develop robust baseline. Establish monitoring and evaluation framework including key milestones and timescales for review. Regular performance reporting to Programme Board, ESB and Joint Committee to enable decisions on any mitigating actions deemed necessary to keep the programme on track.
	Failure to identify / secure City Deal revenue funding	2	2	Ongoing dialogue with governments under way to identify potential solutions.
Financial	Private Sector funding contribution/s not in line with initial business case projections	3	4	For all projects, in addition to the 5 case model assessment, the Accountable Body will undertake an assessment of the Project's Financial profile to check that the private sector contribution is in line with the initial business case financial projections. Any implications resulting from variance to be reported to PB, ESB and JC for action.
	EU match funding contributions contribution/s not in line with initial	3	4	For all projects, in addition to the 5 case model assessment, the Accountable Body will undertake an assessment of the Project's Financial profile to check that the private sector contribution is in line with the initial business case financial projections. Any

Category	Risk	Probability Scale Low 1:5 High	Impact Scale Low 1:5 High	Mitigation
	business case projections			implications resulting from variance to be reported to PB, ESB and JC for action. RO in dialogue with WEFO.
	Failure of projects to secure committed full funding package (cap & rev)	2	5	Credible and robust financial profiles need to be in place for each City Deal Project from the outset. Letters confirming match funding to be in place for the project before City Deal funding is approved, confirming amount and timing as set out in the project's financial profile. Timely monitoring and review following approval of five case business plan. Robust and timely procurement activity must be planned, executed and monitored. All Project Authority Leads to put in place effective monitoring and evaluation processes. Funding agreements signed between Project Authority Lead and Project Lead.

#### 7.0 Business Case Assessment Process

The need to get the best possible value from spending public money will always remain a constant for those entrusted with spending decisions. 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:

- **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 that they approve the submission of the Project Business case.

The Regional 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.

Following the City Deal reviews, the relationship between individual local authorities, project leads, the Regional Office, the UK Government and Welsh Government has been improved to create enhanced communication.

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 Regional 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.

#### **Regional Office Project Assessment Criteria**

#### 1. Fit with the WG Future Well-being Act

- Clear evidence of the 5 Ways of Working;
- Clear evidence of contributing to Well-being goals
- Clear evidence of alignment with local well-being plans

#### 2. Strategic Fit

- Alignment with the strategic aims and objectives of the Swansea Bay City Deal and wider regeneration regional strategy, while demonstrating the City Region's ambitions
- Demonstrable synergies with other Swansea Bay City Deal projects

#### 3. Financial

- Credible and robust financial profile with cost breakdown is in place for each City Deal project before funding approval
- Private sector contribution/s are as set out in the initial business case financial projections for the project and in the Heads of Terms document
- Letters confirming project match funding from all sources must be in place before
  City Deal funding is approved. These letters should confirm amount/s and timing –
  and any dependencies as set out in the project's Financial Profile for both the
  public and private sectors
- Evidence of ongoing project sustainability for a period of at least the 15-year SBCD Programme period to include a credible operational/commercial case that sets out full details on proposed income sources, income flows and any dependencies.

#### 4. Deliverability

- Robust governance & partnership approach
- Project management team and experience

Clear project plan

#### 5. Outputs and Outcomes

- SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, results-based, time-bound) project outcomes with associated baseline data is in place in line with overall City Deal plan
- Projects should clearly establish intended outputs with a clear definition of what success would look like

#### 6. Risk Management

 Project Risk Register and risk management process in place - identification, management and mitigation of all risks

#### 7. Procurement

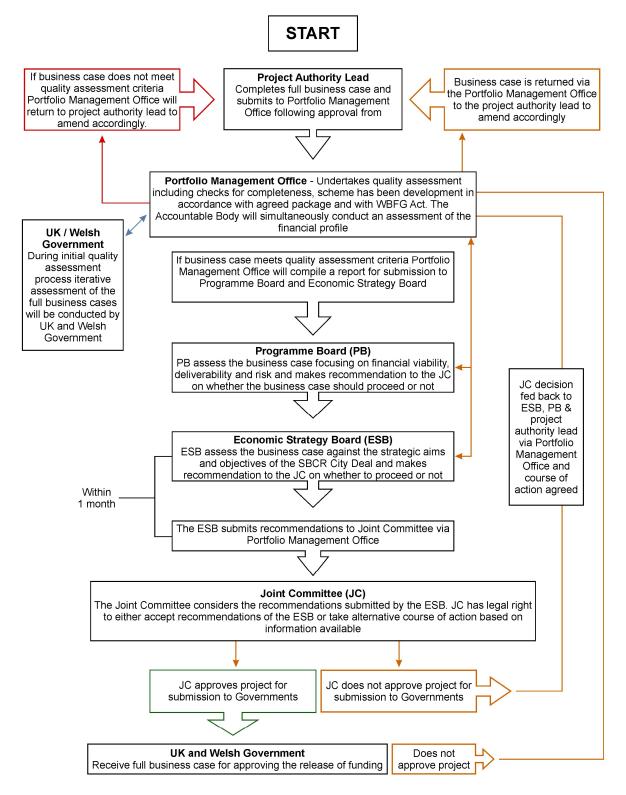
- Projects must set out how they will procure all project activity to benefit regional businesses and residents
- Wider community benefits demonstrated in the business case local supply chain support and apprenticeships, for example

#### 8. Project Monitoring & Evaluation

- All Project Leads to have clear and effective Monitoring and Evaluation Plans
- Key delivery steps and associated milestones demonstrated
- Detailed proposal for how and when all outputs and outcomes will be measured and reported to the Project Lead Authority and the Regional Office
- Evaluation proposal
- Exit Strategy in place

The four local authorities have agreed the following process for the formal assessment of final SBCD business cases:

# FULL BUSINESS CASE APPROVAL PROCESS FOR AGREED SBCR CITY DEAL PROJECTS



#### **8.0 SBCD Programme Monitoring and Reporting**

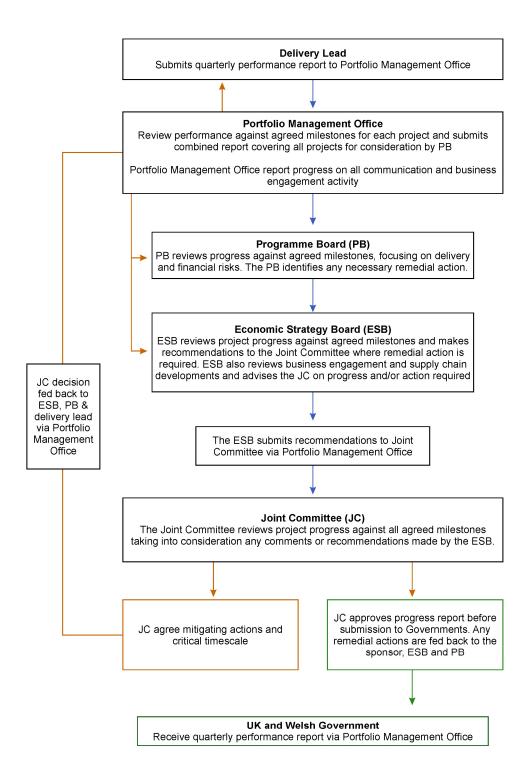
The Regional Office will have day to day responsibility for managing the monitoring and evaluation processes for projects. A robust monitoring and evaluation plan will be developed in conjunction with the UK and Welsh Governments, and agreed by the Joint Committee, which sets out the proposed approach to evaluating the impact of the Swansea Bay City Deal's delivery at programme level.

#### Key actions include:

- Developing a robust baseline
- Establishing a monitoring and evaluation framework including key milestones and timescales for review
- Setting up quarterly meetings with Project Delivery Leads and Regional/Project Authority Leads to discuss progress
- Regular performance reporting to Programme Board, Economic Strategy Board and Joint Committee.

All programme level reporting in relation to the City Deal and its associated projects will follow a process that has been agreed by the four local authorities. This is set out in the following chart:

### **PROJECT MONITORING**



#### **8.1 SBCD Joint Scrutiny Committee**

As set out in the Joint Committee Agreement, the Joint Scrutiny Committee will provide a scrutiny function to ensure greater public accountability over decisions made by the Joint Committee and any of its sub-committees/related entities. It has been agreed by the four Councils that Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council will be the lead authority to take responsibility for the scrutiny function responsibility and its administration.

The membership of the Joint Scrutiny Committee will consist of 12 members. Each of the Councils shall nominate three members for appointment to the Joint Scrutiny Committee. The member nominated by each Council shall be an elected member of that Council but shall not be a member of that Council's executive and shall not be a member of the Joint Committee. The Chair of the Joint Scrutiny Committee shall not be a member of the Council which is providing the Chair of the Joint Committee.

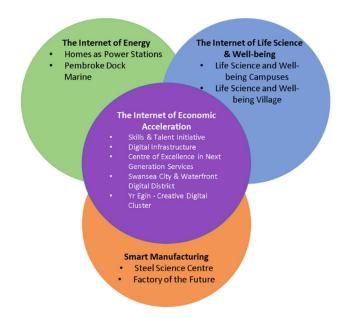
The role of the Joint Scrutiny Committee is to provide advice, challenge and support to the Joint Committee. The full terms and reference for the Joint Scrutiny Committee are set out in the Joint Committee Agreement.

The Joint Scrutiny Committee shall be required to:

- Review and scrutinise the Joint Committee's financial affairs
- Review and assess the Joint Committee's 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 in 1 and 3 above

#### 9.0 Swansea Bay City Deal Project Portfolio

The Swansea Bay City Deal comprises a portfolio of projects across four inter-related themes. Each thematic project has been developed to integrate with existing cluster strengths and infrastructure, supporting development of next generation services and products. In parallel, rollout of cutting-edge digital infrastructure will be accelerated to support exploitation of new technologies and capabilities. This will be underpinned by a Skills & Talent Initiative that will put pathways in place for people across the region to access the thousands of high-skilled jobs the City Deal will create.



#### 9.1 SBCD Theme - Internet of Economic Acceleration

Skills and Ta	alent						
Regional	Carmarthenshire Count	y Council					
Project		•					
Authority							
Lead							
Project	Carmarthenshire Count	v Council					
Delivery Lead		,					
Total Cost	£30,000,000	City £10,000,000 Deal:					
Description	The Skills and Talent in	itiative, being led by the South Wes	t Wales Regional & Skills				
	Partnership, will be a k	ey component in ensuring that location	al people and businesses				
		ills to benefit from each of the City D					
Key	Activity	•	Date (using calendar				
Milestones			year)				
	Business Case Development						
	Initial draft business pla	n for consideration by RLSP Board	Qtr3 2017				
	Initial draft Skills and Ta UKG/WG	alent business plan shared with	Qtr4 2017				
	Final review of draft bus	siness case by UKG / WG	Qtr1 2020				
	Independent peer revie	W	Qtr1 2020				
	Business plan submitte	Qtr1 2020					
	Business case submitted Programme Board and project's submission to	Qtr2 2020					
	UKG/WG approval of the project	release of Government funding to the	Qtr3 2020				
Risks	Description	Mitigation					
	Operational						
	The potential for partners   The structure and constitution of the City Deal and the robust disengaging from the partnership within the RLSP. All partners are fully committed to the						

	to the ach some of outputs  Lead time developmer skills offer in identifying the and ensuring Government include the within future.	es in the nt of a new n the region / the key skills in the tagree to the courses re provision FE and	As one of well-place of a Redirectly provision	project, and the size and number of partners from all sectors significantly reduces this risk. Only if a whole sector were to withdraw would this risk be classed as high.  As one of the WG's three Regional Skills Partnerships, the RLSP is well-placed to support this development, with its annual submission of a Regional Employment and Skills Plan which is utilised to directly affect the allocation of funding to FE and apprenticeship provision.						
	Project activity overlapping or duplicating existing provision within the region  The RLSP provides a platform to work across the public, provides a platform to work across the public provides and platform to work across the public provides a platform to work across the public provides and platform to work across th						there is an ging project			
	Implement	ation								
	Project management, leadership a leadership and control of the project to deliver the stated activities and results  Management, leadership a the experience and expertion the experience and expertion the project to deliver the stated activities and responsibility, reporting and results					hich exists sh clear I	across the princes of m	oartnership. anagement		
	the needs SBCD proje		place to and deliv	map out ski very stages	lls need, and of each proj	d will contini ect.	ue alongside	the design		
	Slippage to timescales	the project	will be so by the R projected	ubject to a re LSP Board d outputs a	egular, ongo in order to a and timeling	oing process maintain pro es. Where	etailed in the s of performatiogress in rel required, to rernance str	ance review ation to the his will be		
	Financial		<b>_</b>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>				
		changes to ch funding	basis by		Delivery Lea	ad and Proje	nonitored on ect Local Aut icial profile.			
	Organisatio financial ris		The level Partners and experience demonstrates	el of experional experional experion is such the experience in fire trated. This	ence within that relative nancial man , coupled wit	the organicely high level agement and th regular pe	sations invo els of knowl d probity ca erformance r ated with the	edge, skills n be clearly eviews, will		
Financial		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL		
Profile		(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)		
	City Deal	0.25	1.00	1.50	2.50	2.50	2.25	10.00		
	Public	0.25	1.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	3.75	16.00		
	Private	-	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	4.00		
	TOTAL	0.50	2.50	5.00	7.50	7.50	7.00	30.00		
Constraints	State Aid r	ules as they	apply							
Dependencies	Continued	core funding upport for the	from We							

Digital Infras	structure				
Regional Project Authority Lead	Carmarthenshire Count	y Council			
Project	Carmarthenshire Count	v Council			
Delivery Lead		•			
Total Cost	£55,000,000	City £25,000,000			
	, ,	Deal			
Description	<ul> <li>A regional state-of-the-art digital infrastructure will be implemented to support each of the City Deal strategic themes and projects. The project will consist of three elements</li> <li>Transport Corridor, Rural and Connected City. Together these components will:</li> <li>Create digital infrastructure including gigabit fibre and the establishment of 5G testbeds that will enable innovation and entrepreneurship within the region</li> <li>Expand the provision of 4G and Wi-Fi capabilities to benefit both urban and rural areas</li> <li>Develop digital infrastructure for key sectors including energy, manufacturing and life sciences</li> </ul>				
Key Milestones	Activity		Date (using calendar year)		
	Business Case Developme	,			
	Project Scope Set	Qtr1 2018			
	Consultant appointed to dev				
	agreed scope / outline propo	Q			
	Initial draft version 5 case but	Qtr1 2020			
	Independent peer review	Qtr1 2020			
	Business case submitted to	Qtr2 2020			
	Business case submitted to	Que Esta			
	Board and Joint Committee to the UKG/WG	Qtr2 2020			
	UKG/WG approval of the rel project	ease of Government funding to the	Qtr4 2020		
Risks	Description	Mitigation			
	Unsuccessful project delivery / Slippage in project delivery	Experienced project management and project delivery team in place from the outset. Project Implementation Plan to be agreed by all partners. Established robust monitoring and evaluation framework at project development stage to ensure programme and project delivery remains within agreed timescales and to ensure that all targeted project outputs and outcomes will be achieved.			
	Lack of commercial confidence	to carefully manage both governanc	e and commercial risks.		
	Project not sustainable Project will develop a sustainable business model. On-goi dialogue with key government, public sector officers and private sector organisations is key. Sustainability is an integral part of the project, so early engagement with operators/providers is embedd within the proposals.				
	funding package	The digital plan will be impleme competitive tendering process.			
	Non-compliance with	Use is made of existing complian	t procurement frameworks to		

	public pro	,	ules ship	s entail different approaches.					sector and jue will be	
Financial		2018/19 (£m)						2023/24 (£m)	2024/25 (£m)	TOTAL (£m)
Profile	City Deal	-	- (2.11		0.50	9.00	9.00	5.50	1.00	25.00
	Public Private	-	-		2.50	3.00 5.50	3.00 5.50	2.50 4.50	2.50 1.00	13.50 16.50
	TOTAL	-	-		3.00	17.50	17.50	12.50	4.50	55.00
Dependencies	Alignmen Engagen potential The expe									

Swansea Ci	ty & Waterfront Dig	ital D	istrict	
Project Authority Lead	Swansea Council			
Project	Swansea Council			
<b>Delivery Lead</b>				
Total Cost	£171,131,000	City Deal	£50,000,000	
Description	generation connectivity prosperous city centre t enabled sectors. The project includes a 3 village for tech and digit	availathat fac 3,500-c ally foo	cussed businesses, and a	oping a vibrant and
Key Milestones	Activity			Date (using calendar year)
	<b>Business Case Develo</b>	pmen	t	,
	Initial draft business cas	se shar	ed with UK/WG	Qtr4 2017
	Final review of draft ver WG	sion bu	usiness case by UKG /	Qtr4 2018
	Business case submitte	d to Co	ouncil	Qtr4 2018
	Business case submitte Programme Board and the project's submission	Qtr1 2019		

	LIKG/MC approval of th	ne release of Covernment	Qtr4 2019		
		UKG/WG approval of the release of Government funding for the project			
	Project Development				
		ox Village/Innovation Precin	ct		
	Planning Submission		Qtr2 2020		
	Detailed Design		Qtr4 2020		
	Tender and Contractor	Procurement	Qtr2 2021		
	Construction		Qtr4 2021		
	Fit Out		Qtr2 2023		
	Completion and Occupa	ation	Qtr2 2023		
	Milestone Activity - Di				
	Planning Submission	<u> </u>	Qtr1 2020		
	Detailed Design		Qtr1 2020		
	Tender and Contractor	Procurement	Qtr2 2020		
	Construction		Qtr4 2020		
	Fit Out		Qtr1 2021		
	Completion and Occupa	ation	Qtr2 2022		
	Milestone Activity - Di	gital Square & Arena			
	Outline planning conser	nt granted	Qtr2 2017		
	End of Design Stage 2	-	Qtr4 2017		
	Arena Operator Contra	ct Signed	Qtr1 2018		
	Contractor Procuremen	t	Qtr3 2018		
	Construction		Qtr4 2019		
	Arena construction com	plete	Qtr3 2021		
	Arena open		Qtr4 2021		
Risks	Description	Mitigation			
	Davalanment				
	Development Failure to obtain	All approval processes for the	project will be identified to allow		
	relevant approvals		t timeline impacts. Dedicated team		
			urther mitigate this risk. In addition,		
			ensure that all required approvals		
		are captured.			
	Failure to agree project		ensively with all key stakeholders to		
	specification	before progressing the project fu	cification is achieved as a priority		
1	Commercial floor		mbers of the targeted industries to		
	space and other		continue to liaise with members of		
	facilities do not meet	la	e evolving project delivers on key		
	the needs of start-ups	requirements at every stage,	and to continuously monitor and		
	and tech based	proactively engage with the ir	ndustry to ensure that needs are		
	businesses	appropriately met in the operation	onal phase on an on-going basis.		
	Financial	<u> </u>			
	Failure to secure		ersity of Wales Trinity Saint David		
	funding package	ı	credible and robust business plan at outset. Written letters confirming		
		all sources of funding to be in pl			

	Rise in conscosts	tation	Allow for a		ingency. De	entire project tailed tender e.		
	Delays in programme, Project slip		Ensure project team in place using recognised project management tools to enable the developments to be delivered on time. The project to proactively monitor construction progress and to work extensively with the principal contractor to minimise any disruption to the programme					
	Temporary manageme		applies appl Responders and providing	ropriate resou to take into ac g advance not manner. Reç	rces. Advant count the imperior of restriction in the count the imperior of restriction in the countries of the countries of restriction in the countries of restriction in the countries of the countr	e of sensitivity ce communic eact on emerge ons. Involve tr of programme	ations to 1st ency services ansport team	
	do not meet		Project continues to consult with members of the target industries to establish needs and to ensure that the evol project delivers on key requirements at every stage. Pro				the evolving ige. Project ge with the	
	Lower than demand	expected	The project is working extensively with potential tenants occupiers to ensure that initial demand is sufficient. In addition project will be focused on supporting growth and success managing the success of the operational phase. Project to allo sufficient resource to ensure that any period of lower than expedemand is successfully bridged				addition, the successfully ect to allocate	
	knowledge	o provide transfer commercial es	e The University to adequately resource teams to ensure the knowledge transfer and the development of commerce					
	Focus on physical		future needs of an innovative business community.				emand in the	
Financial		2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	2021/22 (£m)	2022/23 (£m)	TOTAL (£m)	
Profile	City Deal	-	7.53	42.47	-	-	50.00	
	Public	9.41	61.47	10.28	- 10.04	- 2.40	81.16 39.97	
	TOTAL							
Dependencies		9.65	72.50	66.02	19.84	3.13	171.13	
Dependencies	The digital		•	•	res of this pr	oject form pa	rt of the	

### Yr Egin - Creative Digital Cluster

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Project	Carmarthenshire County Council		
Authority			
Lead	University of Weles Trinity Coint D	المرازع	
Project	University of Wales Trinity Saint D	avid	
Delivery Lead	005 470 000	0:4 B 1 05 000 000	
Total Cost	£25,170,000	City Deal   £5,000,000	
Description	Yr Egin will create a digital and cre		
	as the key anchor tenant alongside		
	The centre will create a clustering		
	to the creative and digital econom		
	accelerator facilities and incubatio	•	
	each of the tenants, which will driv	e entrepreneurial development.	
Key	Activity		Date (using
Milestones			calendar year)
	Business Case Development		
	Initial draft version 5 case business p		Qtr4 2017
	Final review of draft version business	case by UKG/WG	Qtr4 2018
	Business case submitted to the Coun	cil	Qtr4 2018
	Business case submitted to Economic	0,	Qtr1 2019
	Board and Joint Committee for Appro	val of the project submission to	
	the UKG/WG		
	UKG/WG approval of the release of C	Sovernment Funding for the	Qtr4 2019
	project		
	Project Development	Lucation	01.0.0040
	Phase 1 Practical completion of cons		Qtr3 2018
	Phase 1 Occupation & official opening	<u> </u>	Qtr4 2018
	Phase 2 Development of updated req	juirements (Refurbish/new build)	Qtr2 2020
	Phase 2 Detailed design	stages 2 and 4 decimal	Qtr3 2020
	Phase 2 Approval to proceed (RIBA s Phase 2 Planning submissions as red		Qtr2 2021 Qtr4 2021
	Phase 2 Construction	quileu	Qtr3 2022
	Phase 2 Fit-out, completion and or	counction	Qtr3 2023
Risks	Description	Mitigation	Q(13 2023
KISKS	Description	Willigation	
	Development	<u> </u>	
		The University will work exter	nsively with all key
	specification	stakeholders, including poter	•
	- opeomoduen	ensure that agreement on spec	•
		as a priority before progressing	
	Failure to deliver the wider	The project's Monitoring and Ev	
	benefits identified in the business		
	case	Lead is going to monitor the	-
		benefits as set out in the 5 case	
		Yr Egin. Project M & E Plan to	
		funding is released to the	-
		reporting to the Regional Office	
		and Local Authority Leads to h	•
		to outputs, outcomes and miles	
	Implementation	1 Sarpara, Caracina and Innoc	
	•	All approval processes for t	he project will be
	i and to obtain follovant	1 approval processes for t	project will be

Delays in programme  Skills and capacity i of project delivery	construction ssues in terms	identified and sufficient time. The Universit organisation sufficient time. The University to vanchor tenant.	to prevent party's existing tructure will omplete and work closely asure that are mitigated appointed and	project timeliged dedicated further mitigated occupied, which delivery by delays in cand avoided. Wery team retained to	ne impacts. team and ate this risk. vith S4C as v partner for construction has been ensure that		
		Yr Egin proje party specialis the project pro- encourage reg	sts as requir ocurement p	ed and will rocess is co	ensure that mpetitive to		
Operational							
Lower than expected	ed demand	The University with lettable extensively to Phase 2. The rent and serve Egin remains	space in F engage with University to rice charge	Phase 1 and prospective also continuous to ens	d will work tenants for ously review		
Failure to provide k	nowledge	The Universi			rience and		
transfer and comme	•		•	•			
opportunities	3. O.G.	expertise in both knowledge transfer and the development of commercial opportunities. The University will adequately resource teams to ensure that both of these aspects are given adequate priority in terms of delivery.					
Failure to meet indu	ustry needs	The University has undertaken extensive consultation to ensure that the Yr Egin project will match the requirements of the industry. Key stakeholder management to be undertaken extensively to ensure that the project continues to do so throughout phase 2 and beyond.					
Financial							
Failure to secure fu package	nding	Ensure credible and robust detailed business plan and financial profile is in place at outset. Written letters confirming all sources of funding to be in place at approval stage					
Rise in construction	Rise in construction costs			Construction cost increases have been adequately anticipated through the use of third-party experts and will be integrated throughout the cosestimations for Yr Egin phases one and two. The University will continue to provide adequate contingency for any unexpected increases.			
Financial 2018/19	(£m) 2019/20 (£m	2020/21 (£m)	2021/22 (£m)	2022/23 (£m)	TOTAL (£)		
Profile City Deal -	3.00	2.00	-	-	5.00		
Public 11.5	2 -	0.50	1.72	1.58	15.32		

	Private	3.35	-	-	-	1.50	4.85		
	TOTAL	14.87	3.00	2.50	1.72	3.08	25.17		
Dependencie	Planning co	Planning consents							
s									

### 9.2 SBCD Theme - Internet of Life Science and Well-being

Life Science	and Well-being Campuses					
Project Authority Lead	City and County of Swansea					
	Owner and their consists					
Project Delivery Lead	Swansea University					
Total Cost	£45,000,000	City Deal £15,000,000				
Description	The Campuses project will further develop the region's thriving life science sector to help prevent ill-health, develop better treatments and improve patient care. Advanced research and development facilities will be created, building on the success of the Institute of Life Science at Swansea University's Medical School.  Collaboration between Swansea University and its industry and NHS partners will place the Campuses project at the forefront of new technologies to improve NHS care, while creating new life science companies and highly skilled jobs.  Projects will include a facility at Swansea University's Singleton Campus, as well as a Morriston Campus where research will be undertaken alongside word-					
Vari	leading clinical delivery.		Data /using			
Key Milestones	Activity		Date (using calendar			
Willestolles			year)			
	Business Case Development		your			
	Review of Outline Business Case		Qtr1 2018			
	Completed options appraisal		Qtr1 2018			
	Draft Full Business Case		Qtr1 2019			
	Partner Review of FBC		Qtr1 2019			
	Initial draft version 5 case business	s plan shared with UKG / WG	Qtr2 2020			
	Final review of draft version busine		Qtr2 2020			
•	Business case submitted to the Co	•	Qtr3 2020			
	Independent peer review		Qtr3 2020			
	Business case submitted to Econo	mic Strategy Board,	Qtr4 2020			
	Programme Board and Joint Comr	nittee for Approval of the				
	project submission to the UKG/WG					
	UKG/WG approval of the release of	of Government Funding to the	Qtr1 2021			
	project					
Risks	Description	Mitigation				
	Development					
	Failure to ensure stakeholder buy-in to project concept	Project to have regular engages stakeholders including Swanse Heath Board, Swansea Ur	ea Bay University			

						sector and SBCD Programme Board and Joint Committee.							
	decision governan	n Swanse making ce procedur	and inter	•	Reviewed at SU project development board regularly.								
	Impleme	Implementation											
	Procurem	ent delays			Make	use of exis	sting procu	rement frar	neworks.				
	Appropria arrangem		of partner	ing	Make	use of exis	sting procu	rement frar	meworks.				
	Operation	Operational											
	Project fails to meet City Deal outputs					lar review	lan in pla and mo						
	Operation of new facilities - laboratory environments					Integrate with existing operations.							
	Failure tenants	to secure	e commer	cial	End user discussions taking place.								
	Financia	Financial											
	Failure to	secure fund	ding package	Э	Ensure credible and robust detailed business								
					plan and financial profile is in place at outset.								
					Written letters confirming all sources of funding								
							approval s						
Financial Profile		2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)		020/21 (£m)	2021/22 (£m)	2022/23 (£m)	2023/24 (£m)	Total (£m)				
1101110	City Deal	-	2.50	2	2.50	5.00	5.00	-	15.00				
	Public	-	5.00	1	0.00	5.00	-	-	20.00				
	Privat e	-	2.00	2	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00				
	TOTA L	-	9.50	1	4.50	12.00	7.00	2.00	45.00				
Dependencie s	Planning	Consent		•			•						

Life Science and Well-being Development							
Project	Carmarthenshire County Council						
<b>Authority Lead</b>	·						
Project	Carmarthenshire County Council	Carmarthenshire County Council					
Delivery Lead							
Total Cost	£199,500,000	City Deal	£40,000,000				

#### Description

The Life Science & Well-being development will be located across 86 acres of brownfield land in Llanelli. The project is led by Carmarthenshire Council, in partnership with Hywel Dda University Health Board, further and higher education providers, and a range of other local and regional stakeholders. The development will co-locate local government and health board services with the academic, private and voluntary sectors to create an ecosystem for education, research and development, business incubation and broader life science and well-being initiatives.

The project will create a number of facilities to improve the health and well-being of people across the wider region, creating around 2,000 high-quality, well-paid jobs, while boosting the economy by £467 million over 15 years. A number of education partners are working together to provide training and skills programmes across the education continuum, from work-ready to undergraduate, postgraduate and continuing professional development.

The Life Science and Well-being development incorporates a number of interrelated facilities, City Deal funding would deliver:

- A business development centre providing incubation and acceleration facilities for business start-up and research & development opportunities within life sciences
- A well-being skills centre providing facilities for education and training
- A clinical delivery and research centre delivering a range of health and well-being services and providing opportunity for education placements within the operational clinical environment.

The other elements of the development will be funded through a mixture of public and private market sourced funding. These will in partnership with the City Deal funded elements to ensure that benefits across the site can be maximised. These include:

- A new, state-of-the-art sports, leisure and aquatics centre
- Assisted living spaces in a range of accommodation types, including a nursing home, residential physical rehabilitation facilities, extra care and supported living accommodation
- A hotel set along the Llanelli coastline
- A housing development that will include an element of affordable and social housing

Outline planning permission has been granted. Design work is on-going with the aim of construction work commencing in 2020.

Milestones	Activity	Date (using calendar year)					
	Business Case Development						
	Outline planning consent awarded	Qtr3 2019					
	Independent peer review	Qtr1 2020					
	Revised business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board	Qtr1 2020					
	and Programme Board						

	Revised business case submitted to Jo	int Committee	Qtr1 2020						
	UKG/WG approval of the release of Go	vernment funding to the	Qtr2 2020						
	project								
	Project Development	Project Development							
	Ground investigation preparatory works	on site	Qtr3 2019						
	Information memorandum to financial minstitutional funding		Qtr4 2019						
	New branding launch for project		Qtr1 2020						
	Procurement of principal contractor		Qtr2 2020						
	Start of main construction works on site		Qtr4 2020						
	Completion of zone one		2022						
Risks	Description	Mitigation	2022						
KISKS	Description	Willigation							
	Site planning – environmental, ecological, land and other infrastructure planning issues could potentially delay the project or, as a worst case scenario, result in project cessation	External consultants hat to undertake a range studies required to evid application and to detaction required. Demodelling undertaken, now granted.	of environmental dence a planning tail any remedial etailed flooding Outline planning						
	Partner communication and understanding	A full Communications and Engagement Strategy has been prepared, which prescribes early and frequent public involvement in the development of the Village. Partners engaged in the development of a 'brand' for the Village to be launched in Q1 2020. Engagement will continue in line with both statutory and best practice guidelines.							
	Revenue streams	Business planning is u University Health Boar partners to achieve an solution with a projection over the 15-year City Deal	d and academic optimal revenue of revenue savings						
	Failure to achieve a whole site vision to maximise benefits	The complexity of the aims and the range partners required to develop this integrate vision brings significant challenges with The Project Board ensures strategic at operational alignment. In addition, partner are engaged across all project work stream This representation ensures the opportunities for joint working are maximise							
		A framework has been of used to manage work ar provide a structure for ben post implementation analy	nd partners and to efits realisation and						
	Health provision - inability to provide a modern, sustainable workforce to deliver to full service specification	Accredited training pro delivered on site by fu education. Courses will meet the needs for mo	urther and higher I be designed to						

			practices, improve local retention a deliver a sustainable health workforce.						
Financial Profile		2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	2021/22 (£m)	2022/23 (£m)	2023/24 (£m)	2024/25 (£m)	TOTAL (£m)	
Profile	City Deal	2.10	6.00	17.80	14.10	-	-	40.00	
	Publi c	13.86	6.14	17.50	13.50	-	-	51.00	
	Privat e	-	3.00	24.00	29.00	25.00	27.50	108.50	
	TOTA L	15.96	15.14	59.30	56.60	25.00	27.50	199.50	
Dependencies		Discharge of reserve matters application. Institutional funding to realise wider benefits.							

### 9.3 SBCD Theme - Internet of Energy

Homes as	Homes as Power Stations						
Regional Project Authority Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council						
Project Delivery Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council						
Total Cost	£517,050,000   City Deal:   £15,000,000						
Descriptio n:	The project will create a new housing industry based around innovative and sustainable energy generation, combined with storage and efficiency. New technologies developed will be applied within the region, allowing homes and buildings to generate, store and release their own energy. The project will undertake new house building and retrofit programmes which will utilise such technologies whilst developing new supply chains in this sector. The project will also address fuel poverty, which remains a persistent challenge for many communities across the region. The project will also focus on broadband internet connections and smart metering, with support from the Digital Infrastructure project.						
Milestones	Activity	Date (using calendar year)					
	Business Case Development	,					
	Initial draft Strategic Case shared with RO	Qtr3 2018					
	Initial draft business case shared with UKG/WG	Qtr1 2019					
	Policy workshops held with UKG/WG	Qtr2, Qtr 3 2019					
	Independent peer review	Qtr1 2020					
	Business case submitted to the 4 Councils	Qtr1 2020					
	Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for Approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG	Qtr1 2020					

	UKG/WG approval of the release of G	Qtr1 2020	
	project		
	Project Development		
	Regional Social Landlord engagement		Qtr4 2017
	Initiated pathfinder/proof of concept Site)	development at Neath (Hafod	Qtr4 2017
	Regional Stakeholder Workshops	Qtr1 2018	
	Regional Local Authority Steering and	Qtr2 2018	
	coordinate the regional activity at scale	е	
	Consultants engaged to assist in development of the consultant of th	elopment of the 5 case business	Qtr2 2018
	Planning approved for Hafod Site (Due	e to commence on site)	Qtr3 2018
	Work complete on pathfinder site in H		Qtr4 2019
	Establish the programme infrastructure	e; procure the independent	Qtr2 2020 to
	organisation that will undertake the mo		Qtr2 2021
	baseline the programme; integrate exi	sting/related project activity;	
	ensure the development of 200 new b	uilds and 250 retrofits in line	
	with the HAPS specifications.		
	Undertake an interim evaluation and e		Qtr2 2021 to
	recommendations are integrated into t		Qtr2 2022
	new builds and retrofits (supported by	•	
	the supply chain development fund (in		
	scheme) supported by business teams authorities.	s from the participating local	
	Continue with new builds and retrofits	through to the end of the	Qtr2 2022 to
	programme; ensure that the supply ch	Qtr2 2024	
	for the future; showcase the programn		
	commence the final monitoring and ev	aluation, and implement the	
	exit strategy.		
Risks	Description	Mitigation	
	Development		
	Land costs and availability	Project to ensure that local authori	ties provide a land
	Land oods and availability	bank.	aloo provido a lana
	Supply chain development	Robust supply chain strategy and	on-going industry
		engagement plan in place.	
	Approved design specification	Development and implementa	
		flexible, industry approved desi	gn standards.
	Operational		
	Supply chain capacity and capability	Robust supply chain strategy and	on-going industry
	Appropriate land availability	engagement plan to be in place.  Ensure that local authorities provide	do a sizoabla land
	Appropriate failu availability	de a Sizeable latiu	
	Not achieving new build targets	ning.	
	Insufficient capacity to deliver the	ls and experience	
	programme	are in place. This includes an exp	erienced regional
		project team and manager, as	
	<u></u>	stakeholder management/ coordin	ation.
	Financial	Figure and the and relevant 2 to 2	ad business at
	Failure to secure funding package	Ensure credible and robust detail	eu business plan
		and financial profile is in place at o	uteat

	package	nt change , including atch fundin	public ar		Ensure commitment of match funding partners through signed partner funding letters in place at project approval stage. The delivery profile and associated match funding components to be monitored on a regular basis to ensure that it is in line with the agreed financial profile.								
	Implem	Implementation											
	Deliverability of HAPS within the City Deal programme timeframe.  Slippage including delays in procurement / delivering contracts						d project do n the 5 cas						
					All work detailed in the programme plan will be subject to a regular, on-going process of performance review. The benefits realisation plan will also be monitored and reviewed on a regular basis.								
		ject management to deliver the eed activities and results.				Dedicated project management and delivery team to be appointed at the outset of the project to ensure effective implementation of the programme.							
	Complex	nature of i	retrofit		Robust and detailed implementation and delivery plan will be formulated to ensure that an approved and tested retrofit approach is set in place.								
Financial		2018/19 (£m)	2019/20 (£m)	2020/21 (£m)	2021/22 (£m)	2022/23 (£m)	2023/24 (£m)	2024/25 (£m)	TOTAL (£m)				
Profile	City Deal	- (£111)	- (£111)	2.00	4.00	5.00	3.75	0.25	15.00				
	Public	6.43	14.08	22.95	31.90	43.80	-	-	119.15				
	Privat e	23.08	47.68	73.05	102.60	136.50	-	-	382.90				
	TOTA L	29.50	61.75	98.00	138.50	185.30	3.75	0.25	517.05				
Depend- encies		lity of size g Consent		authority I	and banks	across th	e region						

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nis proje	ct will ir	nclude:				
META) ι	utilising t	the deep				
ce (MEI	ECE)					
Infrastructure improvements to Pembroke Port						
Z) for	wave	energy				
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th (I	(META) (	this project will in (META) utilising nce (MEECE) DZ) for wave				

	By creating a cluster of resources, knowledge and capabilities, Marine will accelerate technology development, enhancing the and ensuring continued investment and development in test site Welsh and UK scale.	sector's success es on a regional,
Milestones	Activity	Date (using
		calendar
	Dusiness Casa Davalanment	year)
	Business Case Development	04-4 0047
	Initial draft business case shared with UKG / WG	Qtr4 2017
	Revised business case shared with UKG / WG	Qtr3 2018
	Final review of draft version business case by UKG / WG	Qtr2 2019
	Independent peer review	Qtr4 2019
	Business case submitted to the Council	Qtr4 2019
	Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board,	Qtr4 2019
	Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG	
	UKG/WG approval of the release of Government funding to the project	Qtr1 2020
	Project development	
	Pembroke Dock infrastructure	
	Planning permission, CPO and consents	Qtr1 2019
	Construction phase area 1 (Hangar annexes)	Qtr2 2019 to
	,	Qtr4 2020
	Construction phase area 2 (Amenity and pocket park)	Qtr2 2019 to
		Qtr4 2020
	Construction phase areas 3, 4 and 5 (Slipway and berthing)	Qtr2 2019 to
		Qtr2 2023
	Construction phase areas 6, 7, 8 and 9 (land prep at south of	Qtr3 2020 to
	site and pickling pond)	Qtr4 2021
	Construction phase area 10 (Graving dock)	Qtr1 2022 to
		Qtr4 2023
	Construction phase areas 11, 12 and 13 (levelling,	Qtr3 2023 to
	transportation corridor and light fab shed construction)	Qtr4 2024

	Operation to fullest extent		Qtr1 2025					
	'	operation to rained ortain						
	Marine Energy Test Area (ME	Marine Energy Test Area (META)						
	Site identification		Qtr1 2018					
	Site management		Qtr1 2018 to					
			Qtr4 2022					
	Consenting and leasing	Consenting and leasing Official opening of phase one Legacy operation						
	Official opening of phase one							
	Legacy operation							
		onwards						
		Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone (PDZ) Project preparation and procurement Qtr1 2020						
		Project preparation and procurement						
	Consenting, EIA and surveys		Qtr1 2020 to					
			Qtr2 2023					
	Grid connection preparations		Qtr4 2020					
	FEED and site investigations		Qtr1 2020 to					
			Qtr3 2023					
	Site resource data		Qtr1 2020					
			Qtr3 2023					
	Seabed lease		Qtr4 2019 to					
	D. II.		Qtr3 2023 Qtr4 2019 to					
	Delivery strategy	Delivery strategy						
	Drain at management	Decised was a second						
	Project management		Qtr3 2019 to Qtr1 2024					
	Dhasa 3 commoncement (Engli	Phase 3 commencement (Enabled by SBCD)						
	Marine Energy Engineering C							
	Mobilisation	entile of Excellence (WEEGE)	Qtr3 2018 to					
	Wobinsation	WODIIISation						
	Delivery	Delivery						
	Belivery							
	Legacy operation	Legacy operation						
	Logacy operation	Logacy operation						
Risks	Description	Mitigation	onwards					
	Development & Delivery							
	One or more of the 4 PDM project	_						
	partners withdraws from the							
	project	at the outset of the PDM project. This document to be approved by the Project Authority Lead. Funding approval letter in place between Project Lead and						
		Project Authority Lead.						
	Development							
	Environmental/ecological/	Project to appoint specialist plan						
	archaeological constraints	work with relevant planning/consenting agencies						
		and ensure any findings and nece						
		measures are incorporated into outline planning						
	Implementation	application report						
	implementation							

	Deliverability of PDM within the City Deal programme timeframe.				Detailed time bound project delivery proposals for 4 elements of PDM to be set out in the 5 case business model.					
	Delay/failure to secure required consents				Early engagement with consenting authorities and key stakeholders.  Project to appoint specialist consultants where appropriate. Ensure key consent milestones and interdependencies are included in project schedule and monitored closely. Project to carry out comprehensive surveys, where appropriate, and include findings and necessary mitigating measures in consent applications					
	Failure to buy-in to			older	Project engaging with local community of public exhibitions and liaison groups, for exart ensure that stakeholders are fully inform impacts and there is opportunity for concern addressed where possible.			cample, to ormed of		
	Operational									
	Failure to attract developers/end users			Project partners to undertake market research to assess need and identify end user requirements.						
	Financial									
	Failure to secure funding package			Ensure credible and robust detailed business plan and financial profile is in place at outset. Written letters confirming all sources of funding to be in place at approval stage						
	construction costs of thi budge outse				Ensure detailed costs in place for the all 4 elements of this project. Prepare tender in line with agreed budgets. Ensure project manager is in place from outset. Allow for a suitable contingency in the financial profile.					
Financial Profile		2018/19	2019/20	2020		2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	TOTAL
unoidi i ioiile		(£m)	(£m)	(£m		(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)	(£m)
	City Deal	-	-	2.2	8	3.47	5.49	9.73	7.04	28.00
	Public	0.49	0.89	3.2	6	5.42	4.83	3.80	0.33	19.02
	Private	-	0.63	0.4	1	1.54	3.18	6.16	1.53	13.45
	TOTAL	0.49	1.53	5.9	5	10.43	13.49	19.68	8.90	60.47
Constraints	State Aid	rules								
Dependencies	There are 4 elements to this project, each led by a different organisation. ERDF funding for PDI, MEECE, & PDZ. Planning Consents									

Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth					
Project Authority Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council				
Project Delivery Lead	Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council				

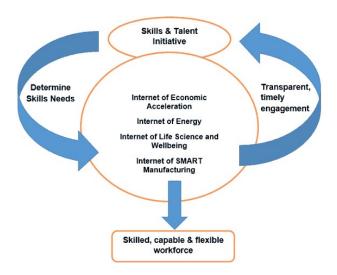
Total Cost	£60,400,000 City Deal £47.7 million													
Description	Focussed on innovation, zero-carbon fuel and the future of steel,	, the project is												
	made up of four elements:													
	4. The Course Pay Technology Courter As a second of the 1979 U. C.													
	<ol> <li>The Swansea Bay Technology Centre – An energy posit will provide office space for start-ups and local businesse</li> </ol>	•												
	transmitting excess energy from solar and other renewal													
	nearby Hydrogen Centre. This energy will then be used to make zero-carbon fuel for council vehicles.  2. A National Steel Innovation Centre that aims to support the steel industry in Port Talbot and Wales. Research and development will be anchored into future steel-making across the region to further reduce carbon emissions.  3. Decarbonisation – Work with the FLEXIS research operation on a series of other projects, including the Swansea Bay Technology Centre/Hydrogen Centre energy link, establishing an electric vehicle charging route map, and													
								air quality modelling and real-time monitoring.						
								<ul><li>4. Industrial Futures – This will address the gap between demand and supply</li></ul>						
		to business and available land in the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise												
	Zone, with a hybrid building providing production units with office space to													
	support start-ups and indigenous businesses - especially those in the													
	innovation and manufacturing sectors. There will also be laboratory space													
	supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise research and development projects, as well as land remediation, flood defence work,													
	construction of access roads and upgrading of highways.													
	gramming or might and approximate the second of the second	•												
Key														
Key	Activity	Date (using												
Key Milestones		Date (using calendar year)												
•	Business Case Development	calendar year)												
•	Business Case Development Business case approved by NPT council cabinet	Qtr3 2019												
•	Business Case Development Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board,	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review  Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review  Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG  UKG/WG approval of the release of Government funding to the project  Project Development	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr4 2019												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review  Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG  UKG/WG approval of the release of Government funding to the project Project Development  Swansea Bay Technology Centre	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr4 2020												
•	Business Case Development  Business case approved by NPT council cabinet Independent peer review  Business case submitted to Economic Strategy Board, Programme Board and Joint Committee for approval of the project submission to the UKG/WG  UKG/WG approval of the release of Government funding to the project  Project Development  Swansea Bay Technology Centre  Two-stage design and build contract award	Qtr3 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr4 2019 Qtr1 2020 Qtr3 2019												
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#### 10.0 Interdependencies & Project Synergies

#### 10.1 Interdependencies

### Interdependence 1 - The SBCD Skills and Talent Initiative Project & *The Internet Coast*



The aim of the City Deal proposal is to create an uplift in GVA, helping close the everincreasing gap between regional and national averages. In order to achieve this, the development of a workforce that is capable, responsive and skilled is key. The portfolio of City Deal projects share this commonality in objective and each will create opportunities for the region's current and future workforce.

The Skills and Talent Initiative will be instrumental in determining the skills needs of the other projects and, in turn, will support regional education providers to deliver the skills solutions required. It is anticipated that skills will broadly be required in, but not limited to, the areas of ICT and digital, health, manufacturing and engineering, aligning closely to the four themes of the SBCD programme. There will be opportunities for the transferability of skills between projects and therefore across the region, creating a thriving talent base.

Undeniably, underpinning each of the projects, therefore, is skills and talent, a theme that runs strongly throughout and which will determine the overall success of the City Deal Programme. The right people with the right skills, available in the region at the right time, is the most important consideration and challenge for the City Deal. Without a strong, capable and flexible workforce the SBCD would struggle to deliver programme outcomes and therefore not have the transformational effect it aims to achieve.

A further key determinant of success is the preparedness and capability of future generations to capitalise on the opportunities presented by the proposal. The Skills & Talent Initiative recognises the importance of younger generations being well-informed. This will help create a sustainable pipeline of talent which is ready and able to both support and further develop the future economy of the Swansea Bay City Region.

It is therefore the intention of the Skills & Talent Initiative to foster the themes of entrepreneurship and digital innovation, given their strategic importance to the Swansea Bay City Deal Programme, and to work with key stakeholders to align provision to these key themes. As such, these two areas will be focussed on in schools and, increasingly so, in further and higher education institutions.

In addition, there is opportunity for synergy in terms of skills between the four themes at a more specific level. Energy, Life Science & Well-being and Smart Manufacturing are of critical strategic importance in their own right, but through the City Deal they are interconnected and mutually supportive.

The 21st Century is a multidisciplinary age which transcends sectors, with the majority of innovative solutions to the most pressing challenges residing in the collision of disciplines. The further and higher education institutions operating within the region already have an exemplary offer of provision within these areas. Aligning their offer more closely to the specific needs of the City Deal and identifying where there are opportunities for multi-disciplinary teaching will create skilled individuals with the transferable skills needed to work across the region.

## Interdependence 2 - The Internet of Economic Acceleration and its Constituent Projects

The proposal and its constituent projects are built on a solid foundation characterised by an advanced digital infrastructure. A lack of an effective and reliable next generation digital infrastructure will hinder the development and exploitation of new technologies and capabilities which could negatively impact the success of key projects. The level of interdependency varies across the projects, with some relying on digital elements more than others.

Primarily, the successful implementation of the Digital Infrastructure project will allow for the establishment of 5G testbeds that will enable innovation and entrepreneurship. These are themes that are especially crucial for Yr Egin, the Swansea City and Waterfront Digital District and the Industrial Futures element of the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme. A lack of these testbeds would create significant barriers to the attraction and retention of talent, businesses, key industry leaders and inward investment to the area which are crucial to the success of those projects.

## Interdependence 3 - The Internet of Economic Acceleration and the Internet of Energy

An innovative digital infrastructure is particularly pertinent for the Homes as Power Stations project. Imperative to the proposal is the utilisation of the internet to create innovative and sustainable energy generation. Combined with storage and efficiency, this will be supported by the use of smart metering. The effective use of smart metering is integral to the proposal as it will allow users to manage their own energy usage, while also assisting in the measurement of the efficiencies achieved.

Advanced, innovative digital infrastructure will also accelerate the delivery and evaluation of marine energy solutions forming part of the Pembroke Dock Marine project, while also assisting the decarbonisation elements of Neath Port Talbot's

Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme, which includes real-time air quality modelling and monitoring as well as enhanced charging infrastructure for electric vehicles.

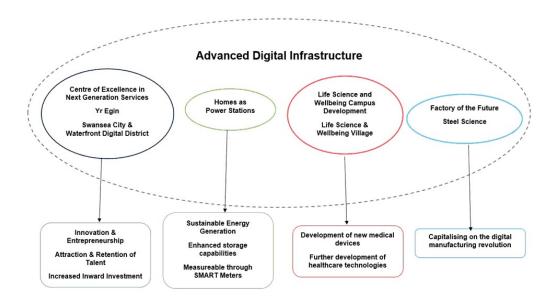
## Interdependence 4 - The Internet of Economic Acceleration and the Internet of Life Science and Well-being

The developments proposed by both the Life Science and Wellbeing Campus and Village projects are heavily reliant on an innovative digital infrastructure. A lack of this infrastructure would impact on the development of new medical devices and healthcare technologies forming part of these projects.

## Interdependence 5 - The Internet of Economic Acceleration and Smart Manufacturing

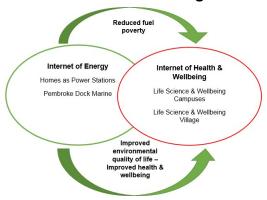
Manufacturing elements of the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme, including the Steel Science project, are reliant on the use of next generation technologies.

These technologies – which will further advance and emerge in coming years - include cyber-physical systems, the internet of things, cloud computing and cognitive computing. These are all elements that require a strong digital infrastructure to capitalise on continual advancements in digital manufacturing.



#### 10.2 Synergies

Synergy 1 - Energy and Life Science & Wellbeing



The economic well-being of Wales has been historically reliant on the strength of heavy industry and traditional manufacturing.

But with the gradual decline of these industries in recent decades, far greater emphasis is now placed on fostering economic growth, development and social inclusion, while ensuring natural assets continue to provide resources on which our well-being relies.

This further emphasises the importance of the green economy as a key component within the City Deal portfolio, with the investment programme's four themes closely aligning to well-being, the environment, manufacturing and economic growth.

The environmental and resource productivity of the economy is strongly linked to Homes as Power Stations, Pembroke Dock Marine and the decarbonisation elements of the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme, with all aiming to produce and promote sustainable energy.

The production of green energy has a positive impact on the environment as it generates little if any of the water and air pollution associated with traditional fossil fuels which costs public health services an estimated \$74.6 billion a year, according to a Harvard University study.

This shows how green energy can directly affect the health and well-being of individuals living and working in the region by reducing the risk of cardiovascular and respiratory diseases associated with traditional energy production. This direct link creates synergy with the Life Science and Well-being Campus and Life Science and Well-being Village projects.

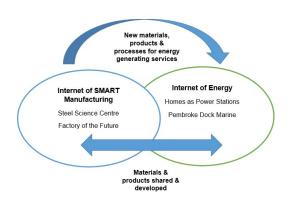
The Homes as Power Stations project will also help tackle fuel poverty, which has an impact on health and well-being. Research forming part of the project will create an evidence base in support of disruptive innovation to meet this objective.

Synergies between energy and life science & well-being can also be evidenced by the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme in Neath Port Talbot.

The programme's focus on decarbonisation and improving air quality will lead to environmental benefits in Neath Port Talbot and beyond that will boost the heath and well-being of contemporary residents and generations to come.

Also forming part of the programme is a drive to encourage greater uptake of electric vehicles, which will lead to environmental benefits throughout the region and elsewhere. This will place South West Wales at the heart of global innovation as an example of best practice for embracing this kind of technology as a conduit to environmental improvements.

Synergy 2 - Energy and Smart Manufacturing

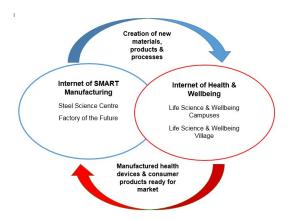


The Steel Science project will be in a prime position to have a significant impact on the Green Growth agenda. As well as developing and implementing ultra-low carbon steel making technologies, the new materials, products and processes created at the Centre will provide the opportunity to radically rethink the built environment for energy generating services. This will improve the regional natural asset base, helping promote the implementation of good environmental management in primary industries. This substantiates its synergy to Homes as Power Stations and Pembroke Dock Marine where materials and products may be shared and developed.

Furthermore, the Pembroke Dock Marine programme builds on momentum already under way regionally, in developing innovative marine energy solutions. This technology will require a local manufacturing base which builds upon the heavy engineering and steel generating capability of the region. Additionally, Homes as Power Stations provides the opportunity to expand existing pilot activities across the UK steel sector. This extends from smart coatings on steel substrates through to innovative storage and control.

As part of Neath Port Talbot's Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme, excess energy from solar and other renewable technologies at the Swansea Bay Technology Centre will be converted into hydrogen at the nearby Hydrogen Centre to fuel hydrogen vehicles.

Synergy 3 - SMART Manufacturing and Life Science & Well-Being



The connections between manufacturing and life science and well-being are longestablished but the introduction of smart life science and smart manufacturing have placed more importance on this relationship in recent years. The Life Science and Wellbeing Campus, the Life Science and Well-being Village and the Steel Science projects are those which illustrate the greatest alignment.

The region already has examples of Life Science and Well-being innovation created locally, manufactured locally and exported from the region to global markets. Examples include therapeutic devices, diagnostic devices and consumer products.

The Steel Science Centre will create new materials, products and processes, many of which will have applications in life science & well-being. This will provide the opportunity to shape the development of intelligent sterile environments, supporting disruptive technologies for telehealth like smart wearables and intelligent dressings.

The demand for next generation healthcare and smarter ways of manufacturing highlights the parallels between the two. They are both areas in transformation where new opportunities in IT to meet demands are creating more opportunities for closer working.

## Agenda Item 11



#### Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 28 January 2020

#### **MIPIM 2020**

**Purpose:** The purpose of this report is to authorise the

Swansea Bay City Region's attendance at MIPIM

2020 and its associated costs

Policy Framework: Swansea Bay City Deal

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

1) The Joint Committee authorises the City Region's attendance at MIPIM

2020 and its associated costs

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#### 1. Introduction

MIPIM is an annual, world-leading international property conference, with around 23,000 people attending for an intensive four-day programme. Attendees include thousands of investors, with scores of real estate projects throughout the UK and beyond launched there every year. The MIPIM conference offers unrivalled access to investors, developers and worldwide capital. MIPIM brings together the most influential figures from all property sectors to facilitate business between real estate professionals, investors and local authorities. MIPIM 2020 is taking place between March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 13<sup>th</sup> at the Palais Des Festivals in Cannes, France.

















#### 2. Benefits of regional representation at MIPIM 2020

- 2.1 An opportunity has arisen for the Swansea Bay City Region to be showcased at MIPIM 2020 as a partner of Cardiff and the Cardiff Capital Region, who have already confirmed their attendance at the event. This would enable international profile raising of major projects and strategic development sites throughout the Swansea Bay City Region, including those due to be part-funded by the Swansea Bay City Deal.
- 2.2 A regional investment of £10,000 would secure a partnership package with Cardiff and the Cardiff Capital Region at MIPIM 2020 that would include the following benefits:
  - Two delegate passes
  - The chance to purchase additional delegate passes at a discounted rate
  - Representation at a signature MIPIM 2020 event
  - The broadcast of content on a video wall
  - Display of local authority and City Deal logos
  - Exhibition space for project/strategic site promotion
  - Dedicated social media posts as part of a MIPIM campaign
  - Advertising space in a hard copy and online prospectus
  - Inclusion of a regional development or project of choice on a dedicated website

#### 3. Financial Implications

- £10,000 to secure a package to partner Cardiff and the Cardiff Capital Region at MIPIM 2020, including admission of two selected delegates.
- Joint Committee budget to cover up to one representative from each partner Local Authority (currently two Local Authorities attending). Cost covered by Joint Committee is therefore £10,000 plus one additional delegate fee.
- Additional delegate passes to be covered by relevant Local Authority partner organisations.
- The costs of flights, transfers and accommodation would be covered by relevant Local Authority partner organisations.

#### 4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no legal implications associated with the report.

#### Background Papers:

None

## Agenda Item 12



#### Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 28 January 2020

#### **Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth Project**

Purpose:

Policy Framework: Swansea Bay City Deal

**Consultation:** 

**Recommendation(s):** It is recommended that:

- Joint Committee considers feedback from the Economic Strategy Board on the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme of projects
- Joint Committee approves the formal submission of the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth full five-case business plan to the UK Government and Welsh Government for approval
- 3) Joint Committee grants officers delegated powers to make any minor amendments necessary to obtain that approval

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**Access to Services Officer:** 

#### 1. Introduction

1.1 The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme has been developed to deliver a coordinated delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in the region with a targeted focus on the Port Talbot Harbourside area.

The Programme aims to create the right environment for innovation, new technologies and a decarbonised local and regional economy.

















The Programme has been developed around four interlinked themes:

- Swansea Bay Technology Centre An energy positive building on Baglan Energy Park providing flexible office space for start-up companies and indigenous businesses, with a focus on the innovation, ICT and R&D sectors. The excess energy from solar and other renewable technologies will be converted into hydrogen at the nearby Hydrogen Centre to be used to fuel hydrogen vehicles.
- National Steel Innovation Centre that aims to support the steel and metals
  industry in Port Talbot and Wales, with the aim of reducing the carbon
  footprint of the steel and metals industry, and increasing the sustainability of
  the industry, linking in to the circular economy.
- **Decarbonisation** To assist with the delivery of decarbonising the City Region, a number of core projects will be undertaken in collaboration with a number of public, private and academic partners including the FLEXIS research operation. These projects include a hard-wired electrical link between the Swansea Bay Technology Centre and the nearby Hydrogen Centre, as well as an electrical charging infrastructure route map. Encouraging the uptake of electric vehicles, this includes the development and implementation of an electric vehicle charging network that meets the demands of residents, businesses and visitors. New charging stations will contribute to solving Wales' lag in electrical vehicle charging infrastructure and coverage compared to the rest of the UK. Air quality modelling and realtime monitoring will also be introduced to enable better informed air quality decisions in future. This project will include data analytics to identify correlation with pollution sources, evaluation of intervention measures, and area wide, real-time data with significantly more geographic detail than is currently available.
- Industrial Futures This will address the gap between demand and supply for businesses and available land in the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone, with a hybrid building providing production units as well as office space to support start-ups and indigenous businesses especially those in the innovation and manufacturing sectors. There will also be laboratory space supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise research and development projects, as well as land remediation, flood defence work, construction of access roads and upgrading of highways. A Property Development Fund will also be made available to support the viability of private sector schemes to develop buildings in the Enterprise Zone.
- 1.2 The portfolio of projects meets the requirements of recommendations arising from reviews into the City Deal, while also representing a first stage response to the climate change emergency declared by the Welsh Government in April, 2019.
- 1.3 The programme will develop over 18,000 square metres of business space, primarily to meet evidenced demand from small to medium sized businesses, while providing the technological platforms essential for them to grow.

#### 2. Financial Implications

- 2.1 The procedures around the management of City Deal Funding is detailed within the Joint Committee Agreement.
- 2.2 If any further funding conditions are to be imposed on the release of City Deal monies by UKG and WG, these will be considered and reported to Joint Committee.
- 2.3 Risks will be managed through monitoring and evaluation at both project and programme level and reported, via the Regional Office, to the Joint Committee where appropriate.
- 2.4 Current scrutiny of the financial tables has been undertaken at the lead authority level.

#### 3. Legal Implications

- 3.1 Project leads will be responsible for managing legal requirements associated with the project.
- 3.2 Any programme level legal requirements will be managed by the Accountable Body in accordance with the arrangements set out in the Joint Committee Agreement.
- 3.3 No City Deal monies will be released until a funding agreement is in place with the project lead.

Background Papers: None

#### **Appendices:**

Appendix A – Programme Business Case

Appendix B – Programme Business Case Summary

Appendix C – Programme Gantt Chart

Appendix D – Cost Benefit Analysis

Appendix E – Potential Economic Impact – Technical Note

## Swansea Bay City Deal: Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth

# Full Programme Business Case (FBC)



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#### 1. Introduction – overview / background

This Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth Programme has been developed to inject momentum into the delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in the Swansea Bay City Region with a targeted focus on the Port Talbot Harbourside area. The Programme aims to create the right environment for innovation, new technologies and a decarbonised local and regional economy.

The programme has been developed in response to a number of key drivers, in particular:

- The two reviews of the Swansea Bay City Deal published in March 2019 by the Welsh and UK Governments and the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee which stated that the City Deal 'should be managed as a Portfolio not as a set of predetermined and immutable projects.' and 'in this scenario we would expect some individual programmes and projects to fall away as other more worthy programmes were identified and prioritised'. We agree and this business case acts upon those recommendations.
- It is also a response to recent job losses (and ongoing uncertainty) in the South Wales manufacturing base – see below - and contains a mix of more traditional interventions - where demand is evidenced plus original proposals designed to help business meet 21<sup>st</sup> century challenges.

The Programme brings together two existing and complementary initiatives:

The Swansea Bay City Deal (the 'City Deal') is billed as a £1.3bn investment across the region. Three projects prioritised in the original City Deal – National Steel Innovation Centre, Factory of the Future, and Centre of Excellence for Next Generation Services (CENGS) – are led by Neath Port Talbot Council (the 'Council') – however, progress has been limited more than two years on from the signing of the City Deal. A review of the structure of the existing projects, and the verification (or otherwise) of the outcomes originally estimated, is therefore timely; and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Recommendation 6 and Paragraph 3.4.5 respectively.

The Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone (the 'Enterprise Zone') is maturing. A Strategic Plan (2018-2021) was endorsed by the Enterprise Zone Board and the Council's Cabinet in October and November 2018 respectively. The vision is to create a diversified and resilient economy whilst building upon local strengths in steel, energy and manufacturing. The Enterprise Zone is also a gateway to the Swansea Bay City Region.

Both are closely aligned to the Welsh Government Economic Action Plan and the UK national Industrial Strategy plus other strategies, policies and programmes including the emphasis on the Foundational Economy. They are also tested against the requirements of the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act. These links were previously identified in discussion between Welsh Ministers and the Chair of the Enterprise Zone<sup>2</sup>. More widely, what is proposed in the programme also complements other priorities for the Welsh Government and the Council including the Valleys Programme.

The region is home to a skilled workforce and a range of sectors - including advanced materials, energy and construction. Locally, the latest available figures suggest that the top 25 Neath Port Talbot companies posted an annual turnover of over £850 million between them. With access to deep water harbours plus good rail and road links (including new transport infrastructure), this is one of the most accessible business destinations in Wales including the Enterprise Zone itself and the Fabian Way corridor which is home to the Swansea University Bay campus and an identified growth area.

This business case clearly defines the projected outcomes and benefits from the programme and the funding profile necessary to deliver them - including funding sources - in line with the HM Treasury and Welsh Government Better Business Cases guide and the Five Case Model.

The Programme Business Case has been endorsed by Neath Port Talbot CBC's Cabinet in July 2019. The objective is to achieve programme approval (during 2019) from both the City Region Joint Committee and the Welsh and UK Governments to enable the delivery phase to commence without further delay.

There is a renewed urgency given the position on Brexit and the necessity of measures to mitigate the announced closure of the Ford

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Meeting between the Minister for Economy & Transport, Ken Skates AM and Roger Maggs MBE, Chair of the Enterprise Zone: 2 October 2019.

plant in Bridgend in 2020, which will have a significant impact on both the regional and local economies. Moreover, there is also a need to safeguard existing jobs in supply chains beyond Ford (e.g. the announcement that the Tata merger with Thyssen Krupp is not proceeding).

The programme will be reviewed and updated regularly, in consultation with stakeholders, to ensure it is fit for purpose and to provide programme assurance that it is delivering to time and budget.

This programme business case has been prepared in line with the HM Treasury and Welsh Government Better Business Cases guide and the Five Case Model which provides assurance that this programme of investment:

- Represents a strategic fit, supported by a compelling case for change through the **Strategic Case**
- Maximises social value through the selection of an optimal combination of projects and related activities, demonstrated through the options appraisal in the **Economic Case**
- Is commercially viable and attractive to the supply side and delivered over the short to medium term as evidenced in the Commercial Case
- Is affordable and fundable as evidenced in the Financial Case
- Can be delivered successfully by the Council and the wider partnership as set out in the Management Case

The purpose of the Programme is to prioritise funding for a number of interventions to provide a significant contribution towards jobs growth, investment leverage and GVA uplift (as identified in the appendices). Potentially, it is the first of a series of business cases over the fifteen year time frame of the City Deal.

The Programme is focused on four themes / service solutions which are described in greater detail in **Appendix 1 and 1a** 

- Swansea Bay Technology Centre
- National Steel Innovation Centre
- Decarbonisation
- Industrial Futures

It is evident that the Programme of investment will deliver greater impact through this coordinated programme approach than single stand-alone investments. The Programme addresses the current needs of the region and the two additional themes of decarbonisation and industrial futures will add value to the original City Deal investment programme.

The Council is also leading on a fourth City Deal project – Homes as Power Stations. This regional project is <u>not</u> covered by this programme business case as it is the subject of a stand-alone business case.

#### 2. Executive Summary

This Programme of 'Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth' has been developed in response to the two reviews of the Swansea Bay City Deal published in March 2019 by the two Governments and the Joint Committee which contained the following statements. The Deal "should be managed as a Portfolio not as a set of predetermined and immutable projects." and "in this scenario we would expect some individual programmes and projects to fall away as other more worthy programmes were identified and prioritised"<sup>3</sup>. We agree - and this programme business case acts upon those recommendations.

Moreover, on 29 April 2019 the Welsh Government declared a 'Climate Change Emergency'. This proposal represents a first stage response to that declaration, largely absent from the original City Deal proposal. It is underpinned by the Neath Port Talbot 'Decarbonisation and Renewable Energy Strategy'. The business case also incorporates – but reorientates – original City Deal projects to provide impetus towards actual delivery and the realisation of benefits.

This business case (and the Programme contained therein) is focused on four themes. It seeks a net investment of nearly £47.7 million from the City Deal over five years, matched by Council and other funding streams. It aims to create / safeguard 1,300 jobs (including construction) with a base assumption that at least 30% of that total will be new jobs created - and at least as many again to be safeguarded in sectors of the wider economy relevant to the Programme interventions. It will also develop over 18,000 square metres of business space, primarily to meet evidenced demand from small to medium sized businesses and provide the technological platforms essential for them to grow.

See Appendix 2 for evidence of demand

#### **Strategic Case**

The Programme is aligned to the policy direction set by the Welsh Government in terms of recent allocations to the Economy Futures Fund in support of the Economic Action Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Recommendation 6 and Paragraph 3.4.5 respectively.

#### **Economic Case**

It is estimated that the Programme will deliver a positive cumulative NPV of £145 million over 15 years. This is based upon earlier quantitative assessments of both the City Deal itself and the Enterprise Zone as referenced in the Economic Case. Both have previously been accepted by Government as valid.

The outputs/outcomes are described in the Economic Case and set out in more detail at **Appendix 3**.

The cost benefit analysis is referenced in the Economic Case and set out in detail at **Appendix 4**.

An independent high level economic appraisal of the Programme successfully demonstrates that even under a range of highly conservative assumptions, the overall potential economic impact is positive and robust. The analysis estimates an annual GVA impact of £6.2 million once all projects are fully operational. The technical analysis is included at **Appendix 4**.

#### **Commercial Case**

The Commercial Case outlines the proposed arrangements in relation to the preferred way forward described in the Economic Case.

The investment outlined in the programme will accelerate the pace of development of a number of sites across the area for regional and local benefit. The objective is to unlock/realise those benefits at the earliest possible stage.

The programme aims to encourage private sector investment to add value to the public sector investment to maximise leverage and sustainability, in line with the original objectives of the City Deal and the Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan. There are a number of options for delivery including direct investment, property development fund, Joint Venture.

#### **Financial Case**

The financial / investment profile is summarised in Table 1 below and detailed in **Appendix 6** as an adjunct to the Financial Case.

**Table 1: Financial/Investment Profile** 

		CAPITAL				
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Project /Programme Costs						
Swansea Bay Technology						
Centre	0.30	5.90	1.30	0.00	0.00	7.50
<b>National Steel Innovation</b>						
Centre	0.00	1.50	10.00	8.50	0.00	20.00
Decarbonisation	0.50	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.00	3.00
Industrial Futures						
Programme	0.00	9.25	13.25	1.25	1.25	25.00
TOTAL	0.80	17.90	25.80	9.75	1.25	55.50
Funded by:						
Neath Port Talbot Council	0.10	0.30	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.50
WEFO / WG Grant	0.20	3.20	0.60	0.00	0.00	4.00
NNDR Retained	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	2.70
Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.30	0.60
Net requirement from City						
Deal	0.50	14.40	24.20	8.55	0.05	47.70

		REVENUI	E			
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Project /Programme Costs						
Swansea Bay Technology						
Centre	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.60
National Steel Innovation						
Centre	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.20	0.40
Decarbonisation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Industrial Futures Programme	0.00	0.25	0.65	0.65	0.65	2.20
TOTAL	0.00	0.25	0.85	1.05	1.05	3.20
Funded by:						
Neath Port Talbot Council	0.00	0.25	0.85	1.05	1.05	3.20
WEFO / WG Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NNDR Retained	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net requirement from City						
Deal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

		TOTAL				
	2019/20 £m	2020/21 £m	2021/22 £m	2022/23 £m	2023/24 £m	TOTAL £m
Project /Programme Costs						
Swansea Bay Technology Centre National Steel Innovation	0.30	5.90	1.50	0.20	0.20	8.10
Centre	0.00	1.50	10.00	8.70	0.20	20.40
Decarbonisation	0.50	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.00	3.00
Industrial Futures Programme	0.00	9.50	13.90	1.90	1.90	27.20
TOTAL	0.80	18.15	26.65	10.80	2.30	58.70
Funded by:						
Neath Port Talbot Council	0.10	0.55	0.95	1.05	1.05	3.70
WEFO / WG Grant	0.20	3.20	0.60	0.00	0.00	4.00
NNDR Retained	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	2.70
Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.30	0.60
Net requirement from City Deal	0.50	14.40	24.20	8.55	0.05	47.70

#### **Management Case**

The Management Case addresses the achievability of the programme and planning arrangements required to both ensure successful delivery and to manage programme risks.

#### 3. Strategic Case

#### Introduction

The purpose of the Strategic Case is to demonstrate alignment with national, regional and local strategies and policies - as well as other current / planned programmes, and make the case for change.

It is in three parts as follows:

#### Part 1 – Strategic Context

Providing an overview of the sponsoring organisation and a review of the relevant strategies and policies to demonstrate strategic fit;

#### Part 2 - Case for change

Namely the Programme rationale based upon on the Programme outcomes and an analysis of what needs to change – the Investment Objectives and Business Needs respectively;

#### Part 3 – Potential Programme scope

How best to address the Business Needs (including service requirements, potential benefits/risks, constraints and dependencies) in establishing a preferred option.

#### **Part 1: Strategic Context**

The Swansea Bay City Region consists of four local authority areas: Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea. It is formally constituted under statute as a Joint Committee. The wider partnership includes two Universities and two Local Health Boards plus the private sector through an Economic Strategy Board which is an integral part of the governance structure and makes recommendations to the Joint Committee.

#### **Organisation overview**

Neath Port Talbot CBC is the lead local authority for three existing projects identified as such in the context of the City Deal Heads of Terms document signed by the UK and Welsh Governments in March 2017.

Neath Port Talbot is located at the centre of the South Wales economy between the cities of Cardiff and Swansea. It benefits from direct access via the M4 corridor and therefore has a wider catchment area for

employment. Analysis demonstrates that there is a working age population of 1.4 million and a million jobs within an hour's drive of the Enterprise Zone<sup>4</sup> which is one of eight designated areas across Wales, and one of only three continuing with a formal advisory board to assist the Welsh Government.

Neath Port Talbot CBC has a proven track record of delivering large capital projects, on budget and on time, from a number of different funding sources including:

■ PDR Harbour Way: £111m

21st Century Schools Programme: £122m

Neath Port Talbot Physical Regeneration: £15m

Vibrant & Viable Places: £35m

The Council also has extensive experience of lead body status for several collaborative regional projects including:

South West Workways: £23m

Workways+: £7.5m

Engage: £21m

#### **Table 2: Council - Key Facts:**

- Formed in April 1996 after local government reorganisation;
- The local authority area is the 8<sup>th</sup> most populous in Wales, with a population of some 140,000; and
- 17 wards within the local authority area are in the top 10% most deprived in Wales.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Source ESRI

## Welsh Government strategies and policy drivers

This Programme is aligned to and will deliver the aims and objectives of the following Welsh Government strategies and policies:

Policy Drivers	Relevance to this Programme
Prosperity for All: The National Strategy (Taking Wales Forward 2016 – 2021) <sup>5</sup>	Taking Wales Forward sets out how the Welsh Government will deliver more and better jobs through a stronger, fairer economy.  The aim of the Welsh Government's 'Prosperity for All' national strategy is to 'build a Wales that is prosperous and secure, healthy and active, ambitious and learning, and united and connected'.  The projects proposed in this programme are aligned to the following components of this economic strategy:  • Prosperous and Secure - the programme will create high-quality jobs leading to individual and national prosperity, as well as creating the right environment for businesses to grow and thrive; and  • Skills and employability – the Programme will attract new businesses and grow existing ones to improve prosperity.  All projects will work with the Regional Learning and
	Skills partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of this investment.
Prosperity for All: The	The Action Plan was developed to support the delivery of the Prosperity for All national economic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2017-08/taking-wales-forward.pdf

## Economic Action Plan<sup>6</sup>

strategy for Wales. It sets out a vision for growing the economy and reducing inequality.

The Plan sets out a number of 'Calls to Action', including support for businesses focusing on decarbonisation, innovation, high-quality employment and R&D.

The projects proposed in this Programme are aligned to the Plan as follows:

- Wales' productivity the Gross Value Added (GVA) gap - is the lowest of all UK nations and regions and this region is lower again. Investments in human capital, infrastructure; and innovation all have a part to play in addressing this;
- There are too many people who are economically inactive. Thus the Programme aims to tackle barriers to employment;
- The "spatial" difference in outcomes between our communities within, and between, the different regions of Wales is one of the most difficult structural problems;
- More and more businesses in Wales are delivering services and utilising new digital technologies that impact on the labour market and present immediate challenges for employers and employees; and
- The shift towards a low-carbon future offers huge opportunities for the economy to diversify and grow long term; but it is a transition which must start now.

#### Prosperity for all – A Low Carbon Wales'<sup>7</sup>

The Plan sets out how Wales aims to meet the first carbon budget (2016-2020) and consequently the 2020 interim target through 100 policies and proposals across Ministerial portfolios.

This programme will deliver a number of

<sup>6</sup> https://gov.wales/topics/businessandeconomy/economic-action-plan/?lang=en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://gweddill.gov.wales/topics/environmentcountryside/climatechange/emissions/prosperity-for-all-a-low-carbon-wales/?skip=1&lang=en& ga=2.94270045.1558241127.1559306557-785643410.1544528811

	interventions to help meet carbon targets
Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 <sup>8</sup>	The Act aims to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. It has seven well-being goals and this Programme will make direct/indirect contributions to these goals as follows:
	<b>Prosperous Wales:</b> providing new employment and the efficient use of resources through building design and the re-use of brownfield land;
	<b>Resilient Wales</b> : new business premises, with the necessary technological infrastructure, to promote diversification and reduce overreliance on traditional industries and public sector employment;
	Healthier Wales: long standing evidence clearly demonstrates the positive impact of employment on health and well-being;
	A more Equal Wales: the Programme involves opportunities accessible to all to reduce societal inequalities, regardless of circumstances;
	Cohesive Communities: sustaining viable and well-connected communities through employment;
	Vibrant Culture and thriving Welsh Language: increased employment opportunities can only support the Language in the medium/long term contributing to Welsh Government 2050 targets; and
	Globally Responsible Wales: buildings will be developed and delivered in line with the sustainable development principles highlighted by the Act.
	In terms of the Act's "Ways of Working", the Programme is:
	considering a <u>long term</u> view of the economic,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> https://gov.wales/topics/people-and-communities/people/future-generations-act/?lang=en

	social and environmental needs to the area;
	<ul> <li>in terms of <u>prevention</u>, mitigating against economic challenges by diversifying the base;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>contributing to the <u>integration</u> each of the well- being goals and complementing the goals of the Welsh Government and other partners; and</li> </ul>
	ensuring delivery is <u>collaborative</u> with relevant stakeholders involved in development/delivery.
Innovation Wales <sup>9</sup>	The 2014 Strategy emphasises the need for "key investments" on the basis of clear strategic priorities. Of relevance to this Programme, the strategy identifies four priority for investment, one of which is low carbon energy and the environment.
The Environment (Wales) Act <sup>10</sup>	The Act requires the planning and management of Wales' natural resources in a more sustainable and joined-up way. Part 2 (Climate Change) is particularly relevant to this Programme, where a range of interventions can contribute to the goals set by statutory emission reduction targets (by 2050).
Energy Wales: A Low Carbon Transition <sup>11</sup>	As above, the (2012) strategy aims to transition Wales to a low carbon economy; ensuring communities benefit from energy infrastructure developments; managing the relationship between energy development and the natural environment plus promote the use of renewable technologies in design and construction.
Green Growth Wales: Local Energy <sup>12</sup>	As above, this sets out the approach to local energy and the vision of communities and businesses using locally generated electricity from renewables to minimise dependence on central generation.

https://gov.wales/topics/science-and-technology/innovation/innovation-wales-strategy/?lang=en
 http://www.legislation.gov.uk/anaw/2016/3/contents/enacted
 http://gov.wales/topics/environmentcountryside/energy/energywales/?lang=en

<sup>12</sup> http://gov.wales/topics/businessandeconomy/creating-a-sustainable-economy/green-growthwales/?lang=en

Foundational Economy <sup>13</sup>	This proposal will support and grow the foundational economy through an innovative model of business support and will challenge the conventional way of providing business support.
Welsh Government 'Employment Sites & Premises in Wales Property Delivery Plan'	Tim Howard (Welsh Government) attended the regional Regeneration Lead Officers meeting on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2019 to provide a background to the WG 'Employment Sites & Premises in Wales Property Delivery Plan'  WG and the region agreed that there was an issue with the supply and quality of new business premises. It was agreed that WG would work in partnership with local authorities across the region to deliver the targets identified in the property delivery plan.  Discussions are on-going on a local authority and PTWEZ advisory board level.

### **UK Government Strategies and Policy Drivers**

This Programme is aligned to a range of relevant UK-wide strategies:

Policy Drivers	Relevance to this programme
Industrial Strategy – Building a Britain fit for the future <sup>14</sup>	The overall vision, as set out in the 2017 Industrial Strategy, is to 'create an economy that boosts productivity and earning throughout the UK' across five 'foundations' (ideas, people, infrastructure, business environment and places) and four 'grand challenges' (Artificial Intelligence & Data, clean growth, future mobility and an aging society).
Clean Growth: Leading the Way to a Low-	Of direct relevance, this strategy highlights the BEIS Energy Innovation Programme to accelerate the commercialisation of clean energy technologies and

https://gov.wales/foundational-economy
 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/industrial-strategy-building-a-britain-fit-for-the-future

Carbon Future	investment in smart energy systems.	
Climate Change Act 2008 <sup>15</sup>	The Climate Change Act is the basis for the UK's approach by committing the Government to reduce emissions by at least 80% of 1990 levels by 2050, with five yearly interim targets. The Welsh Government has set a more ambitious target of reducing carbon emissions in Wales by at least 40% by 2020 from 1990 levels, with a 3% per annum target. This Programme will be energy positive and it is proposed to develop a Smart Energy Systems Demonstration Zone in Port Talbot.	
Clean Growth Strategy <sup>16</sup>	This strategy sets out the UK Government's proposals for decarbonising all sectors of the UK economy through the 2020s. This Programme will demonstrate the benefits of buildings as power stations in a commercial/industrial settings.	
Foundational Economy <sup>17</sup>	This proposal will support and grow the foundational economy through a model of business support that will challenge the conventional way of providing business support.	

### **Regional and Local Strategies and Policy Drivers**

This Programme is aligned to a range of regional and local strategies and policies:

Policy Drivers	Relevance to this Programme	
Swansea Bay City Region:	This underpins the City Deal to 2030. The Programme delivers against the five strategic aims:	
Economic Regeneration Strategy <sup>18</sup>	<ul> <li>Business growth, retention and specialisation: By supporting indigenous companies and start-ups;</li> <li>Skilled and ambitious for long-term success: Working closely with the Skills and</li> </ul>	
	Talent initiative to ensure the region's	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2008/27/enacted

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/clean-growth-strategy

https://gov.wales/foundational-economy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> https://www.swansea.gov.uk/swanseabaycityregioneconomicregenerationstrategy

	<ul> <li>workforce has the skills to maximise employment opportunities in growth sectors;</li> <li>Maximising job creation for all: Supporting economic diversification through value added jobs and removing barriers to employment;</li> <li>Knowledge economy and innovation: Establishing the City Region as a knowledge economy where innovation thrives; and</li> <li>Distinctive places and competitive infrastructure: Providing infrastructure assets to support business as a regional gateway.</li> </ul>
Swansea Bay City Deal 'The Internet Coast' <sup>19</sup>	<ul> <li>This Programme is also aligned to the four 'internet' themes within the City Deal programme:</li> <li>The Internet of Economic Acceleration: next generation digital infrastructure;</li> <li>The Internet of Life Science and Wellbeing: expanding research and innovation;</li> <li>The Internet of Energy: energy innovation and sustainable housing; and</li> <li>Smart Manufacturing: supporting manufacturing.</li> </ul>
Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone <sup>20</sup>	The Strategic Plan sets out a number of strategic aims to deliver economic growth  The vision is to create a diversified and resilient economy whilst building upon local strengths in steel, energy and manufacturing. The Enterprise Zone is also a gateway to the whole of the region.

#### Links with other relevant initiatives, projects and programmes

At the national, regional and local level, there are a number of other relevant initiatives, projects and programmes to which the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme is aligned and will complement.

Once the Programme is approved, the Programme team will formally work with the interventions listed below, however collaboration has

<sup>19</sup> http://www.swanseabaycitydeal.wales/about/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> https://businesswales.gov.wales/enterprisezones/zones/port-talbot-waterfront

already commenced. This is developed further in the Management Case.

Links with other initiatives	Relevance to this Programme
Active Building Centre	The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme and the Active Building Centre are aligned in a number of ways and will continue to work together to accelerate market adoption of energy positive and net zero buildings.
	The Active Building Centre strategic objectives are aligned to the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth investment objectives, with particular reference to the following ABC strategic objectives: 'create a critical mass of buildings', 'Active Buildings as 'Energy Positive Agent' reducing grid impact, and 'Adapt the Active Building Technology portfolio to tackle existing stock'
	Neath Port Talbot CBC, as lead local authority for the Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme, provided a letter of support to Swansea University for its submission to the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund to establish an Active Building Centre, and it is proposed that the two programmes will establish a Memorandum of Understanding to facilitate the collaboration. The partners are committed to delivery of Active Buildings at a scale to make the region a UK leader.
Flexis	Port Talbot is a demonstration zone identified in the Flexis programme
Hydrogen Centre <sup>21</sup>	The Hydrogen Centre is a partner in the hydrogen stimulus project
Swansea University	SPECIFIC Steel and Metals Institute (SaMI)
Cardiff	Welsh School of Architecture

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> http://www.h2wales.org.uk/pages/hydrogen-centre/hydrogen-centre.html

University		
-	A key partner in the Industrial Futures theme	
Talbot Group ned	A key partner in ensuring the region has the necessary skills to deliver the opportunities in this Programme	
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#### Part 2: The Case for Change

This follows HM Treasury and Welsh Government's Better Business Case guidance, establishing a robust case for change with a clear understanding of:

- What we are seeking to achieve the Investment Objectives;
- What is currently happening the Existing Arrangements
- What is required to close the gap between what is happening now (Existing Arrangements) and what we are seeking to achieve (Investment Objectives) the Business Needs.

In this way the case for change is established on the basis of <u>need</u>, rather than simply a contention that a project is a 'good thing to do'.

#### **Investment Objectives**

Investment Objectives form a key element of the 'case for change' within the Strategic Case. The Investment Objectives describe what the delivery organisation and key stakeholders wish to achieve in terms of targeted outcomes. They should describe the expected outcomes of the programme, should be SMART i.e. specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time bound, and address the five key reasons for investment:

- Improving economy reducing the cost of existing services, or creating income
- Improving efficiency improving the delivery of services in terms of outputs
- Improving effectiveness improving the quality of services
- Statutory compliance investing in services so they meet legal or best practice standards
- Re-procurement investing to ensure that services subject to a contract that is expiring can continue, or be replaced

The Investment Objectives below describe what we wish to achieve in terms of targeted outcomes as follows:

	Investment Objective	Measures
1	Strengthen and diversify the	<ul> <li>Ratio of jobs to</li> </ul>
	regional/South Wales economy, building	capital investment
	resilience for the longer term future.	<ul> <li>Local GVA uplift</li> </ul>

		Jobs created
2	Stimulate a cluster of companies by providing a well-connected, competitive, carbon reducing, business environment.	<ul> <li>Jobs created in:</li> <li>Advanced manufacturing</li> <li>Energy</li> <li>Engineering</li> <li>Technology</li> </ul>
3	Work with Welsh Government and other partners to encourage investment and innovation in the steel sector and wider supply chain to ensure a long term future.	<ul><li>Investment attracted (£)</li><li>GVA uplift</li></ul>

#### **Existing Arrangements**

In order to consider the added value of the Programme and its impact, this section describes the current situation in terms of:

- The current state of the Swansea Bay City Region economy;
- Decarbonisation: strengths and weaknesses;
- Innovation, entrepreneurship and other relevant factors.

It provides an overview of the existing arrangements i.e. current levels of service provision, asset availability, demand and utilisation.

## Existing arrangements: The current state of the Swansea Bay City Region Economy

The City Region has a population of 688,000, supporting 302,000 jobs and 22,000 businesses. The region is a major, if under-performing, driver of the Welsh economy. Economic inactivity remains stubbornly high across the region with overall productivity (GVA) growth in the region consistently (and well) below that of other regions in the UK and the Cardiff Capital region over the past two decades.<sup>22</sup>

This is illustrated in Table 3 below:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> https://www.walesonline.co.uk/business/business-news/shocking-economic-figures-wales-regions-14260311

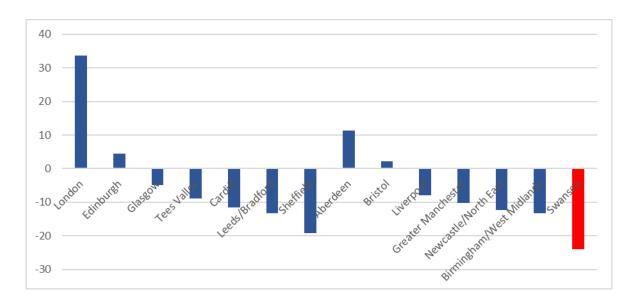


Table 3 – City Region productivity per hour relative to UK average (2016)

The economic landscape is characterised by:

- Gearing towards lower value sectors, compared to the UK;
- Low quality regional commercial and retail property, attracting low rents<sup>23</sup> (see Table 4 below); and

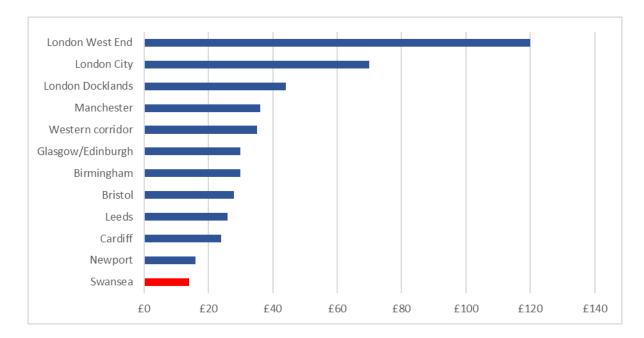


Table 4 – UK Office rents - £ per square foot (2016)

Relatively poor broadband capacity and digital connectivity, (perhaps exacerbated by the delivery of 5G services in Cardiff)?

<sup>23</sup> www.jll.co.uk/.../South%20Wales%20Report%202016%20web.pdf

There are also a number of other negative externalities which are inherent to the region including:

- Over reliance on the 'heavy industries' (and the public sector): resulting in previously low demand for modern business premises; but that is changing in the Enterprise Zone; and
- Due to a perceived lack of opportunities, the region has struggled to retain its innovators and entrepreneurs ("Leakage").

There is existing demand for employment sites and premises in the region. This is evidenced in a number of ways (see below).

The Economic Action Plan recognises the importance of matching the demand and supply for/of business premises. Specifically, the Plan recognises the need for the 'provision of employment sites and premises to house growing indigenous business and attract investment' to meet the gaps in the property supply through a demand-led approach.

This is a longstanding issue. In 2007, analysis conducted by DTZ estimated there to be a shortfall in office supply of more than 47,000 m<sub>2</sub> across the Swansea Bay City Region over the subsequent five years.<sup>24</sup>

The same report described the age profile of the region's office stock at that time as "poor", with over half of the stock in Swansea, Neath Port Talbot and Carmarthenshire built before 1980 (at the time of writing). More recent analysis suggests that not enough has been done and the same issues of older stock and an undersupply of new, high-quality premises remain.

A report by Rowland Jones (2015) stated that "the supply of ready-to-occupy office space [in the region] is beginning to reach critically low levels. ... Many of the Grade A Offices are 100% occupied, while some of the older stock remains vacant."<sup>25</sup> The South Wales Report by JLL (2018) stated that "the lack of Grade A floor space in Swansea is a weakness that must be addressed."<sup>26</sup> The Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan similarly concluded that "there is a clear shortage of available commercial premises and strong evidence of occupier interest."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Employment Property Demand Study for the Welsh Assembly Government, DTZ, August 2007

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Viability Study for Plot 4 Baglan Energy Park, Rowland Jones, 2015

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> South Wales Report 2018, JLL

There is also compelling evidence that demand has strengthened and is increasing. In the last twelve months, the Council has received nearly 30 enquiries from companies looking for high-quality office and R&D accommodation, totalling over 12,350 m<sub>2</sub> of business space. The existing small scale flexible office space, of the type and quality likely to attract high-growth start-ups and high-value anchor tenants, at Harbourside and the Baglan Bay Innovation Centre are 100% and 97% let respectively.

Moreover, data from the South Wales Property Development Fund (PDF) - one of two European Regional Development Funds to stimulate private sector investment – shows that a cost/value gap exists across the region of some 55%. Thus neither Harbourside nor the Brunel Park development at the Energy Park would have been built had the public sector not covered 45% of each project's building costs, despite both projects going on to achieve full occupancy rates. Moreover, since the withdrawal of the PDF no further commercial developments of this kind have come forward. This demonstrates the necessity of public sector intervention to meet demand.

The opportunity exists (through what we have termed "Industrial Futures" - see below) to change that as the Enterprise Zone is a key site for growth and is identified as a Strategic Regeneration Area (SRA) in the Local Development Plan (LDP)<sup>27</sup>.

#### **Existing arrangements: Decarbonisation**

Recent figures<sup>28</sup> show that Neath Port Talbot is the local authority area with the highest total renewable energy capacity (358 MW) and the highest level of renewable energy capacity at an estimated 1122 Gwh. The region also has an array of conventional and renewable energy production assets already present including:<sup>29</sup>

- Marine Energy: e.g. the South Pembrokeshire Demonstration Zone;
- Wind Power Generation (region-wide);
- Solar Power Systems (e.g. Saron/Ammanford and Baglan);
- Fresh Water Micro Generation systems;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> https://www.npt.gov.uk/7328

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Welsh Government Energy Generation in Wales report - 2017

- Over £1.5bn of biomass projects in Port Talbot and Milford Haven;
- Pembroke Power Station (2000MW enough electricity for 1 million homes); and
- The LNG plants (South Hook and Dragon) meeting circa 20-25% of the UK's needs plus the refining capacity at Valero.

These are strong foundations upon which to build. The FLEXIS programme will model energy production, usage/flows and deploy data to explore improved efficiency, storage and alternative fuel use.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions will also be modelled and captured to determine any net emission reductions and to assess the potential implementation of carbon capture and CO<sub>2</sub> storage techniques.<sup>30</sup> A demonstration area has been established stretching around the coast from Tata to Swansea University's Bay Campus; the Swansea SA1 development and incorporating Neath (see Figure/Table 5 below).

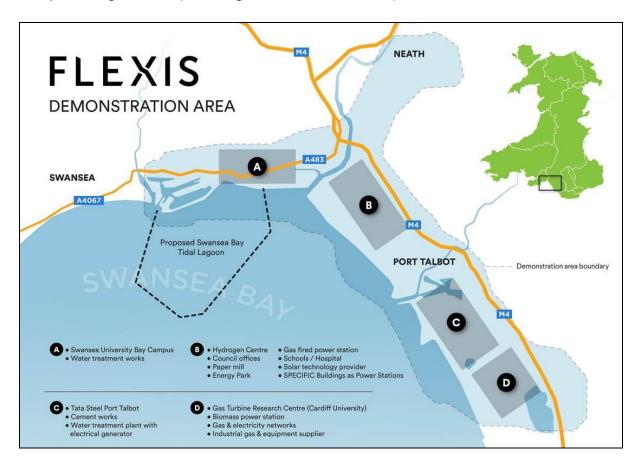


Figure 5: FLEXIS Demonstration Area

<sup>30</sup> http://www.flexis.wales/demonstration-area/

In addition, the Renewable Hydrogen Research and Demonstration Centre is the first of its kind in Wales. The Centre aims to demonstrate the viability of producing hydrogen from a range of renewable energy sources, with a view to evaluating the potential benefits of using hydrogen as a medium of energy storage.

## Existing arrangements: Innovation, entrepreneurship and other relevant factors

There are research and innovation clusters in the region around the Baglan Energy Park; Swansea University's Science and Innovation Bay Campus and University of Wales Trinity St David's (UWTSD) 'Waterfront Innovation Quarter Campus' at SA1.<sup>31</sup>

Moreover, a growing number of research and development initiatives are now operational in the region. Existing Centres of Excellence in the region include:

- The Renewable Hydrogen Centre (above);
- The FLEXIS programme (also above);
- The Sustainable Product Engineering Centre for Functional Innovative Coatings (SPECIFIC) run by Swansea University, with strategic partners Akzo Nobel, NSG Pilkington and Tata;<sup>32</sup>
- The Steel & Metals Institute (SaMI);
- The Advanced Engineering & Materials Research Institute (AEMRI);
- The TWI Technology Centre at Harbourside;
- The Engineering Research Centre of Excellence (Swansea Bay Campus);
- The Welsh Centre for Printing & Coating (Swansea Bay Campus);
- The Wales Centre for Advanced Batch Manufacture (UWTSD);
- The Construction Wales Innovation Centre (UWTSD); and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> https://www.uwtsd.ac.uk/sa1/sa1-news/work-starts-on-foundations-for-65m-construction-wales-innovation-centre-at-sa1-swansea-waterfront.html
<sup>32</sup> ibid

The Creative Industries Research and Innovation Centre (UWTSD).

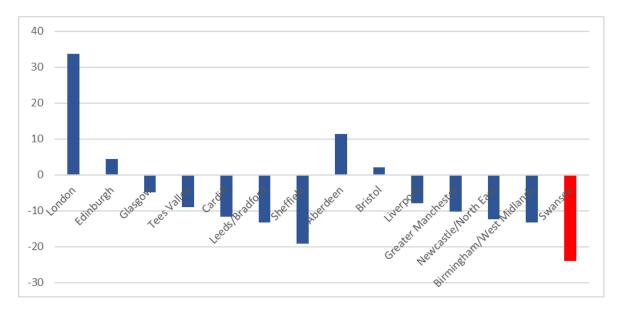
#### **Business Needs**

The Business Needs represent the gap between the desired outcomes (Investment Objectives) and the Existing Arrangements expressed as problems with the status quo and opportunities for change.

#### The needs of the Swansea Bay City Region economy

The Welsh Government Economic Action Plan identifies increasing productivity as key. But despite an array of initiatives, the reality is that the regional economy is underperforming (see above). By 2015, GVA per employee was 74% of the UK average<sup>33</sup> – down from 77% in 2010 and 90% in 1981.<sup>34</sup>

This decline in economic performance is stark.<sup>35</sup> Only 71% of the working age population is classed as economically active compared to 76% for the UK as a whole.<sup>36</sup> Moreover, there are not enough people with higher level qualifications - and too many with none at all.<sup>37</sup> By 2016, the situation had deteriorated to the point where productivity per hour was the lowest of all UK City Regions, as shown below in Table 6 below.



<sup>33</sup> Swansea Bay City Region City Deal Heads of Terms

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Swansea Bay City Region Economic Regeneration Strategy, 2013-2030

<sup>35</sup> Swansea Bay City Region City Deal Heads of Terms

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Data from 2010. Source: Swansea Bay City Region Economic Regeneration Strategy 2013-2030

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Swansea Bay City Region: A City Deal 2016-2035, The Internet Coast

Table 6: Productivity per hour (Source: ONS)

The region therefore needs targeted investment to arrest this decline. The overriding aim of the City Deal is to boost regional GVA per head to 90% of the UK average by 2035 returning to the relative position it held in 1981.

#### The needs of the Decarbonisation agenda

National (Welsh and UK) strategies and legislation are well documented and this Programme addresses them. But it is a series of interventions where early action is required. Fundamentally this Programme starts the process of decarbonising the economy by addressing the needs of industry (cleaner processes); communities (cleaner air) and interventions to promote sustainable travel, buildings and economic growth aligned to Welsh Government and other programmes – see above.

#### The needs of innovation and entrepreneurship

The development of the region's research, development and innovation sectors will be critical to meeting these objectives. The range of regional assets (listed above) demonstrates the potential of our applied research output; but the key to turning this into productive economic activity will be the rate at this research can be commercialised and spun out into new companies with any resulting economic activity retained in the area. We have made a start: for example, the tenant-base of the Harbourside R&D Village, where 100% of the jobs are paid more than the Welsh average, and 90% are above the UK average.<sup>38</sup>

However, facilitating this process of commercialisation, spin-out and product development is not straightforward and will require:

- The availability of flexible office space at discounted rents with laboratory space where fledgling businesses can grow;
- The provision of incubation and business support/mentoring services for new firms (as of 2016, Swansea had four incubators accordingly to official research conducted by BEIS.<sup>39</sup> However, with the exception

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Based on primary data gathered by NPTCBC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> TechHub, the International Institute for Creative Entrepreneurial Development, the Centre for Nanohealth and the institute of Life Science. Source: Business Incubators and Accelerators: The National Picture, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, April 2017.

of TechHub, support for spin-outs and potential high-growth start-ups is limited);

- Access to angel investor, venture capital, private equity and public sector funding across all technology readiness levels (TRLs) working with the Development Bank of Wales and building upon the existing EZ Seed Investment Programme (SIP) launched in December 2018 for three years;
- Opportunities for these firms to test new ideas and products in a realworld environment (i.e. test-bed facilities); and
- Small-scale industrial plots for manufacturing once new product is ready for production, preferably with room for expansion.

#### Part 3: Potential scope and service requirements

Part 3 of this Strategic Case starts the process of considering the potential scope of the Programme based on the changes required to satisfy the identified business needs, in particular:

- The need to increase the economic performance of the SBCR regional economy;
- The need to deliver the decarbonisation agenda
- The needs to support innovation and entrepreneurship

The rationale behind the scope is based on the City Deal Impact Appraisal previously submitted to the UK and Welsh Governments<sup>40</sup> and the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan which both remain valid and have previously been accepted by Government. As a result the scope is based on four themes.

The Swansea Bay Technology Centre and National Steel Innovation Centre interventions were products of an earlier scoping exercise carried out by the City Deal partners and were included in the City Deal Heads of Terms document.

The Decarbonisation and Industrial Futures interventions were generated through a similar exercise in the context of the (now endorsed) Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan and were divided into options

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> 13 February 2017

for 'Spatial Priorities' and 'Key Actions and Investment' to satisfy the following business needs:

#### Spatial priorities:

- Port-centric and advanced manufacturing: deep water port;
- R&D Innovation and Growth: Harbourside Innovation Village; and
- Energy Intensive Manufacturing and Engineering: Baglan Energy Park.

# Key Actions and Investment:

- Improving market visibility of the potential of the Enterprise Zone;
- Commissioning an Infrastructure Masterplan;
- Establishing an Enterprise Zone business network;
- Targeting business support and advice;
- Supporting UK Sector Deals;
- Facilitating business growth through investment;
- Investing in the development of specialist business space;
- Forming a dedicated infrastructure and property fund; and
- Driving a distinctive programme of decarbonisation in manufacturing.

Therefore the scope of this programme is to develop a series of solutions / interventions that complement the wider programmes of investment through the private sector and public sector and satisfy the identified business needs as illustrated above. The proposed scope of activity of the Programme is indicated in the table below:

Programme scope	Solution / intervention
Addressing the needs of the Swansea Bay City Region economy	Investment in the development of specialist business space: Supporting business growth: Diversifying the economy:  Swansea Bay Technology Centre Industrial Futures – Production Unit Industrial Futures – R&D facility Industrial Futures – Property Development Fund
The needs of the	Swansea Bay Technology Centre

decarbonisation agenda	National Steel Innovation Centre Decarbonisation – Air Quality Decarbonisation – Electric Vehicle infrastructure Decarbonisation – Hydrogen
The needs of innovation and entrepreneurship	Industrial Futures – R&D facility

# **Main Programme Benefits**

The potential Programme benefits are as follows (a non-exhaustive list):

#### Social and environmental benefits

- Reducing regional disparities through agglomeration, improving regional connectivity and improving accessibility, particularly for deprived communities; and
- Reducing emissions and improving environmental quality and improving health and wellbeing.

#### **Demand side benefits**

• Infrastructure construction is a valuable source of employment of itself providing wider benefits in the short to medium term, although planning is essential to avoid creating capacity constraints which could drive up prices and displace activity.

# Supply side benefits

 Infrastructure spending enhances productivity through the supply side. For example, a positive impact on the labour market is realised if the outcomes are delivered.

#### Wider benefits

 Investment facilitates the development of new industries. Likewise, investment which supports the early adoption of new technologies provides a region/country with a head start in new industries;

- Improving competitiveness by driving down prices and increasing the quality and availability of services; and
- Unlocking private capital. Infrastructure is a catalyst for private sector investment which would unlock the full potential of the City Deal.

# **Programme Risks**

The main risks associated with the potential scope for this Programme include:

#### **Development Risks**

- Resource and capacity of the programme team, especially during project definition/development stage; and
- Tender exercises fail to generate sufficient viable interest.

# Implementation risks

- Programme slippage including delays in business case approval, procurement or funding;
- Planning delays; and
- Any land ownership issues.

# **Design Risks**

Technological advancements.

# Change management/programme management

- Failure to achieve agreed outputs/outcomes; and
- Risk averse procurement procedures that fail to stimulate the market.

# **Operational**

• Land costs and availability.

#### **Financial**

- · Capital costs affect scheme viability;
- Dependence on multiple funding sources increasing risk should one fall through;
- Short term Welsh Government and other funding sources;

- Complexity of design resulting in significant cost increases;
- Capital costs will determine viability; and
- Failure to attract tenants would create a financial/operational cost burden on the public sector and loss of revenue.

#### Non-financial

Reputational risks of failing to deliver intended outcomes.

# **Programme constraints**

This programme <u>could</u> be affected by the following constraints:

- Availability of development sites;
- Private sector engagement;
- Funding availability for capital schemes;
- Limited ability for public sector to cover possible recurrent revenue deficits; and
- Planning and development parameters.

# **Programme dependencies**

Possible dependencies – upon which the ultimate success of this programme <u>may</u> be dependent, include:

- The timely provision of capital funding from a number of sources including UK Government, Welsh Government, Swansea Bay City Deal, European Regional Development Fund, Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone, Neath Port Talbot Country Borough Council;
- Addressing the Welsh Government 'calls for action' arising from the Welsh Government Prosperity for All: Economic Action Plan and A Low Carbon Wales

The Programme benefits, risks, constraints and dependencies will be managed through comprehensive programme management and governance arrangements.

#### 4. Economic Case

The purpose of the Economic Case is to demonstrate that a wide range of potential options have been considered and that the chosen solution demonstrates value for money (VfM) in two stages:

Part 1 – developing a long-list and winnowing this to a short list using the 'options framework'

Part 2 – undertaking a cost benefit analysis (CBA) of the short-listed options to determine the preferred option / chosen approach.

#### **Economic Case Part 1: Options Framework**

The 'options framework' demonstrates consideration of a wide range of options (the 'long-list') that could potentially deliver the agreed Investment Objectives over five categories of choice:

- service scope (the 'what' in terms of services and coverage)
- service solution (the practical approach to 'how' services will be delivered)
- service delivery ('who' will deliver the required services)
- timing and phasing of delivery (the 'when')
- funding of the investment (sources of funding)

The options framework generates a structured list of potential options over a range of dimensions (the 'long-list'), which are then qualitatively assessed in the first part of the Economic Case against the agreed Investment Objectives and Critical Success Factors.

#### **Critical Success Factors**

HM Treasury's best practice guidance suggests using the following list of standard Critical Success Factors (CSFs):

No.	Critical Success	Questions – How well does the option		
	Factor	? / Is the option?		
1	Strategic Fit	Satisfy the investment objectives and		
		business needs?		
		Optimise the identified benefits?		
		Align with and support the national, regional		
		and local strategies?		

2	Value for money	Optimise available resources and provide value for money?
3	Potential achievability	Acceptable to key stakeholders? Politically acceptable? Operationally and physically achievable?
4	Supply side capacity and capability	Attractive to potential suppliers to deliver the requirements?
5	Potential affordability	Affordable within the forecasted capital and revenue of the organisation?

This process results in an assessment of each option in terms of how well it could deliver each Investment Objective and the CSFs and is assessed as either:

DISCOUNT	CARRY FORWARD	CARRY FORWARD	PREFERRED
Does not meet	Weakly meets the	Broadly meets	Strongly meets the Investment Objectives and CSFs
the Investment	Investment	the Investment	
Objectives and	Objectives and	Objectives and	
CSFs	CSFs	CSFs	

This enables some options to be 'discounted' (not taken forward for further consideration); 'carried forward' or 'preferred' and a short-list of viable options to be constructed. The short-list always includes the 'counterfactual / status quo' as the benchmark for value for money against which all proactive options should be measured in part 2 of the Economic Case (Cost Benefit Analysis).

The two incorporated City Deal projects were products of an earlier options appraisal / long-listing exercise which led to their inclusion in the City Deal signed off by Government.

The remainder were generated through a similar exercise in the context of the (now endorsed) Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan and were divided into options for 'Spatial Priorities' and 'Key Actions and Investment':

Spatial priorities:

- Port-centric and advanced manufacturing: deep water port;
- R&D Innovation and Growth: Harbourside Innovation Village; and
- Energy Intensive Manufacturing and Engineering: Baglan Energy Park.

#### Key Actions and Investment:

- Improving market visibility of the potential of the Enterprise Zone;
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- Investing in the development of specialist business space;
- Forming a dedicated infrastructure and property fund; and
- Driving a distinctive programme of decarbonisation in manufacturing.

#### The essential options considered were:

- Do nothing/minimum: in all areas, this option demonstrated neither an ability to achieve the outcomes nor value for money (or even a case for investment in the first place);
- Intermediate Scope: in all areas, this option preserved a balance between the availability of resources; Programme deliverability and meeting the Critical Success Factors discussed below; and
- Maximum Scope: in all areas, whilst desirable in many respects, this
  option was questionable set against factors such as affordability,
  deliverability and the consequential pressures on existing
  infrastructure.

This process resulted in an assessment of each option against each Investment Objective and the CSFs. They are assessed as either:

DISCOUNT	CARRY FORWARD	CARRY FORWARD	PREFERRED
Does not meet the Investment	Weakly meets the Investment	Broadly meets the Investment	Strongly meets the Investment
Objectives and CSFs	Objectives and	Objectives and	Objectives and CSFs
COES	CSFs	CSFs	COFS

The results were as follows (Table 7):

	Do nothing	Intermediate	Maximum
Investment			
Objective			
Strengthen/ diversify			
the economy			
Stimulate a cluster			
Work with			
Government/partners			

CSF		
Strategic Fit		
Value for Money		
Potential achievability		
Supply side capacity and capability		
Potential affordability		

All identified solutions / interventions included in this Programme (detailed below) strongly meet the Investment Objectives and Critical Success Factors.

# **Preferred Way Forward**

Against the background of this analysis, the following preferred options emerge:

# **Theme 1 - Swansea Bay Technology Centre**

This is a further iteration of the Centre for Next Generation Services (CENGS). The original concept was a private sector subscription-based open access model aiming to bridge, through data analytics, the gap

between research and the commercialisation of products and services for the next generation of communication services.

However, whilst some of the objectives remain; it seems unlikely that the project can be delivered in this form as it does not "fit" with the City Deal governance requirements (based on the public sector). Instead, the Swansea Bay Technology Centre, at the Baglan Energy Park will provide flexible office space to support start-up companies and indigenous businesses.

#### Theme 2 - National Steel Innovation Centre

In the region alone, some 5,000 people are employed by Tata Steel. It is a core sector as a wide range of consumer goods are made with steel; but it is also an energy intensive industry. The sector has made great strides in recent years to reduce its carbon footprint (e.g. carbon capture/storage and the use of hydrogen as reducing agent instead of coal); but there is much more to do. Steel is also almost 100% recyclable and has a key role in the circular economy.

This project therefore aims to support the industry as well as anchoring research and development from the sector in the region (the numbers employed in steel R&D in the UK have declined sharply in recent years). The Centre would provide an open access facility for the steel industry and its supply chain, helping forge links between industry and academia.

However, we have not been able to secure the transfer of the preferred site (at Fabian Way) from the Welsh Government following some eighteen months of discussion. Originally, the University wished to secure the site for a nominal sum; but (understandably) Welsh Government declined. Thus we are now considering alternative sites in consultation with Tata and others (including Harbourside).

The Council's approach is also conditioned by the need to lease the facility on commercial terms to provide a revenue stream to service any Council borrowing for the project. It is also proposed to defer consideration of the Factory of the Future project until a subsequent phase of the City Deal so that the originally projected outcomes can be verified in terms of contributing to job creation/increased local/regional GVA. This project was also to be originally sited on Fabian Way, so the prospects for immediate delivery are uncertain anyway. Overall, we have concluded that whilst research is an important component part of the overall approach, there is a certain imbalance towards it in the original

City Deal projects and there needs to be a greater emphasis on key economic indicators including job creation in the short to medium term.

#### **Theme 3 - Decarbonisation**

This theme will act as a pathfinder for achieving an increasingly decarbonised economy. It aims to help deliver future carbon targets and contribute to the promotion of new industries; low emission transportation, tackling fuel poverty and reduce carbon intensive energy costs.

To assist in the delivery of decarbonising the region, the following three core projects will be undertaken in partnership with FLEXIS. These are:

- Swansea Bay Technology Centre to Hydrogen Centre Link;
- Electrical Charging Infrastructure Strategy Route Map; and
- Air Quality Modelling and Real Time Monitoring.

# Theme 3.1: Swansea Bay Technology Centre to Hydrogen Centre Link

The core aim of this project is to construct an energy positive building i.e. one that generates more energy from onsite generation than it consumes on an annual basis. This will be achieved through a combination of energy efficiency, integrated renewable energy generation and energy storage. The excess energy will be exported as electricity to the Hydrogen Centre where it will be used to create zero-carbon fuel for vehicles used by the Council.

Funding will support the connection of a hard-wired electrical link between the Technology Centre and Hydrogen Centre, as well as the necessary upgrades to the Hydrogen Centre infrastructure required to fuel a full fleet of vehicles. The initial target will consist of 20 to 30 commercial vehicles.

Future planned developments in the use of hydrogen produced at the Centre include a bus corridor connecting Port Talbot Parkway Rail Station to the Swansea University Campus.

# Theme 3.2: Electrical Charging Infrastructure Strategy & Route Map

This project will have an immediate impact on transport decarbonisation and emissions reduction within the area by encouraging the uptake of

electric vehicles through initiatives and public engagement. It requires the development and implementation of an electric vehicle charging network that meets the demands of residents, businesses and visitors, in line with changes to national planning policy.

The project will consist of three main phases:

- First, consulting with industry partners and academics to produce an effective and future-proof electric vehicle charging strategy;
- Second, a focus on the physical implementation of smart charging stations and the grid infrastructure required to support them; and
- Third, using information gathered from the smart charging stations, to build a detailed dataset of electric vehicle charging behaviours within the area. This will be used to promote vehicle-to-grid transfer for flexible energy systems, virtual power plants, and future economic/business models for charging stations.

New charging stations will contribute toward solving Wales' lag in electric vehicle charging infrastructure and coverage compared to the rest of the UK.

# Theme 3.3: Air Quality Modelling and Real Time Monitoring

We recognise that we have an issue with air quality and the focus of this project is to achieve a greater understanding of levels of pollution by adopting community focused area wide monitoring and analysis. This will enable better informed decisions on the selection and implementation of mitigation and intervention measures and strategies, to reinforce policy initiatives at an all-Wales level.

# The core components are:

- Verified sources of air quality data;
- Area wide, real-time data with significantly more geographical resolution/detail than is currently available;
- Evaluation of air quality mitigation and intervention measures; and
- Data analytics to identify correlation with factors such as pollution sources (both internal and external to the area).

# **Theme 4 - Industrial Futures**

The purpose of this theme is to address the gap between demand and supply to business units and available land within the Enterprise Zone. We wish to make the most of the sites contained in the Enterprise Zone and its current status, rather than entertain alternative proposals such as the Prison which provoked strong opposition locally. The objectives include:

- a hybrid building providing production units with office space to support start-up companies and indigenous business growth in the innovation and manufacturing sectors;
- supported incubator/laboratory space (supported by Industry Wales) for spin outs to increase commercialisation of R&D; and
- land remediation, flood defence work, construction of access road and upgrading existing highway to adoptable standards.

It will be supported and refined by a joint Welsh Government/ Enterprise Zone infrastructure which Mott MacDonald has been commissioned to undertake.

This theme also aligns to the Welsh Government '*Employment Sites & Premises in Wales Property Delivery Plan*' and will deliver investment to meet demand as identified in the Plan.

# Preferred way forward – delivery

Following a high level review of risk (on delivery) and value for money in securing leverage and programme outputs and outcomes, the preferred way forward is the third option, 'do something'; but in a phased approach taking account of projected funding availability to meet the Investment Objectives and Critical Success Factors of the Programme.

# Preferred way forward - impact

As noted above, an independent high level economic appraisal of the Programme successfully demonstrates that even under a range of highly conservative assumptions, the overall potential economic impact is positive and robust. The analysis estimates an annual GVA impact of £6.2 million once all projects are fully operational. The technical note is included at **Appendix 6**.

# **Economic Case Part 2: Cost Benefit Analysis**

A cost benefit analysis (CBA) on the short-listed options to determine the preferred option/chosen approach is at **Appendix 4**.

#### 5. Commercial Case

# **Commercial Strategy**

This section outlines the proposed arrangements in relation to the preferred way forward described in the Economic Case. This includes procurement activity and liaison with other parts of the organisation(s) and stakeholders.

The investment outlined in the programme will accelerate the pace of development of a number of sites across the area for regional and local benefit. The objective is to unlock/realise those benefits at the earliest possible stage.

The programme aims to encourage private sector investment to add value to the public sector investment to maximise leverage and sustainability, in line with the original objectives of the City Deal and the Enterprise Zone Strategic Plan. There are a number of options for delivery including direct investment, property development fund, Joint Venture.

The Industrial Futures – Property Development Fund will be advertised on sell2wales. Draft scheme guidance is included in **Appendix 7** 

The State Aid implications of each project/investment will be assessed as part of the ongoing process.

# **Procurement Strategy**

As lead local authority for the Programme, the Council will ensure compliance with public procurement relating to supplies, services and works for the public sector.

The Council has its own Contracts Procedure Rules (CPRs) for the procurement of goods, services and works, addressing the requirements of best value. The rules are aligned to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. The rules ensure a system of openness, transparency and non-discrimination to ensure the accountability and probity of the procurement process.

Where appropriate and compliant, construction works will be procured through the South West Wales Regional Construction Framework,

likewise, engineering works will be procured via the South West Wales Civil Engineering Framework.

Any requirements for project evaluation(s) will be procured through Sell2Wales via an open and transparent tender exercise, or appropriate frameworks.

#### Required services

The preferred way forward described in the Economic Case proposes a programme of activity across the Port Talbot area focused on the following elements:

- Capital Build projects;
- The Infrastructure Master Plan (in train);
- Energy projects and Infrastructure;
- Construction, land remediation and ancillary works; and
- Monitoring and Evaluation.

# **Community Benefits Statement**

The Council and its partners will work in partnership with appointed contractors and their supply chain to deliver 'targeted recruitment and training' outputs as a 'core' requirement of tenders to support the delivery of social, economic and environmental objectives. This involves encouraging:

- training and the recruitment of the economically inactive by offering apprenticeship;
- traineeships or work experience opportunities;
- maximising opportunities for SMEs to tender or bid for sub-contract opportunities;
- adopting measures to ensure prompt and fair payment terms;
- encouraging environmental initiatives;
- engaging with Third Sector organisations; and
- supporting educational and community initiatives.

In addition, there are collaborative arrangements to coordinate the delivery of community benefits. This leads to adult employability initiatives such as Workways+ and Communities for Work working closely together with organisations such as the local authorities, Department of Work and Pensions, the Further Education sector to

identify opportunities to support disadvantaged individuals and help them tackle barriers to employment.

#### 6. Financial Case

The Financial Case provides assurance that the short-listed options (with particular focus on the preferred way forward) are affordable, taking into account all potential funding sources.

It should be noted that the costs are evidence-based projections and will be refined during the business case development stage for each individual project.

#### **Cost Profile**

The estimated costings, funding profile/sources for each of the proposed projects are detailed at **Appendix 6**. The summary position is reproduced below for ease of reference:

#### Financial/Investment Profile

		CAPITAL				
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	TOTAL
	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m	£m
Project /Programme Costs						
Swansea Bay Technology						
Centre	0.30	5.90	1.30	0.00	0.00	7.50
<b>National Steel Innovation</b>						
Centre	0.00	1.50	10.00	8.50	0.00	20.00
Decarbonisation	0.50	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.00	3.00
Industrial Futures						
Programme	0.00	9.25	13.25	1.25	1.25	25.00
TOTAL	0.80	17.90	25.80	9.75	1.25	55.50
Funded by:						
Neath Port Talbot Council	0.10	0.30	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.50
WEFO / WG Grant	0.20	3.20	0.60	0.00	0.00	4.00
NNDR Retained	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	2.70
Rental Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.30	0.60
Net requirement from City						
Deal	0.50	14.40	24.20	8.55	0.05	47.70
		REVENUE				
	2019/20	2020/21 2	2021/22	2022/23 2	2023/24	TOTAL

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TOTAL

Funded by:

**Neath Port Talbot Council** 

**Net requirement from City Deal** 

WEFO / WG Grant

**NNDR Retained** 

**Rental Income** 

#### **Affordability**

Subject to approval by the City Deal Joint Committee, the Programme will be a priority for the Council and for the region. A number of identified projects have already secured funding from one source or another and the Council is committed to the use of Prudential Borrowing (as per the original City Deal).

#### **Balance Sheet Impact**

The Council's balance sheet will increase by the value of the investment in the fixed/property assets. These assets will depreciate over their lifetime and Council match funding will be paid over the same period. There is no impact on the Council Tax base.

# 7. Management Case

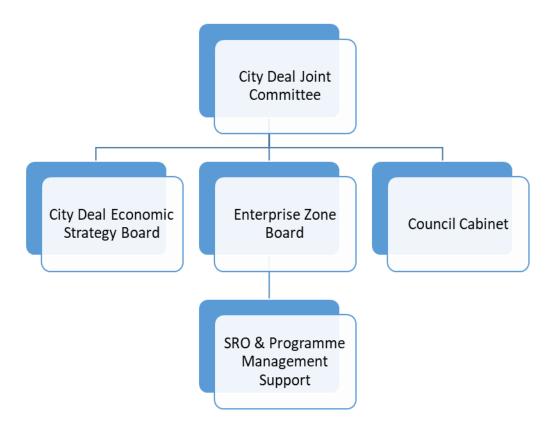
The Management Case addresses the achievability of the programme and planning arrangements required to both ensure successful delivery and to manage programme risks.

#### **Programme Plan**

The programme focuses on short to medium time lines for delivery; but with the option of phasing some projects over a longer period (up to the 15 years envisaged in the City Deal). A detailed programme plan is being developed.

#### **Governance Structure**

This is illustrated in the table/figure 8 below. The structure below is also subject to comprehensive local and regional scrutiny arrangements as set out in the Joint Working Agreement:



# **Programme Management and Programme Initiation**

Defining a Programme in accordance with Managing Successful Programmes (MSP) involves the following activities, which have been/will need to be undertaken once approval is secured:

- Establish the infrastructure for defining a programme: This has been done;
- Establish the team to define the programme: The SRO for this programme is <u>Gareth Nutt</u>, <u>Director of Environment</u>. The Programme Manager is <u>Simon Brennan</u>, <u>Head of Property and Regeneration</u>;
- Identify and analyse the stakeholders: An outline stakeholder plan is being prepared. The Programme team will have access to specialist advisers and subject matter experts;
- Refine the vision statement: Note: minimal change, if any, is envisaged to the City Deal and Enterprise Zone visions;
- Develop Blueprint: This is under development;
- Develop Benefit Profiles: High level benefits are described in the Strategic Case and the project team will develop benefit profiles during the programme definition stage, which will be monitored and evaluated;
- Validate the Benefits: As the programme progresses and the benefits start to be delivered, the process will be validated and measures tested. The Programme Board will be advised if the programme is not delivering the anticipated level of benefit, so that remedial action can be taken as necessary;
- Design the Project Dossier: There will be an appropriate branding, marketing and communications strategy.
- Identify tranches: Done;
- Design the programme organisation: Done;
- Develop the governance arrangements done: see diagram above.
- Develop the Programme Plan: Also under development;

- Consolidate programme definition: The project team will generate appropriate logs, plans and policies; and
- Prepare for the first tranche (ongoing subject to approvals).

#### Replicability / dissemination

The interventions identified within this Programme can be replicated at a regional and national level – the benefits and outcomes from this Programme will be disseminated via an engagement / communication plan

#### **Programme Milestones**

An indicative Programme Gantt chart has been developed. See **Appendix 8** 

#### **Programme Assurance**

The Programme will be subject to rigorous programme assurance arrangements, including:

- Programme validation reviews:
- Programme assessment reviews;
- Gateway Reviews;
- Ongoing reviews in relation to strategic fit;
- Regular programme reporting, including key milestones and progress monitoring.

#### Other Reference Documents:

Port Talbot Integrated Territorial Strategy (May 2015)

LDP Policy SRA2 Harbourside – an extract from the LDP showing the strategic regeneration area policy for Harbourside.

LDP Policies EC1 & EC2 – an extract from the LDP showing the two key employment related policies.

PT Harbourside & Town Centre SPG (DRAFT Sept'14) – the now dated draft version of the SPG which was included in the package of LDP submission documents for the LDP.

Matter 7 Policy SRA2 – dealt with the Action Points that emerged from the LDP Examination in Public which culminated in the agreement of the revised Masterplan (refer to page 12).

Baglan Energy Park SPG – adopted by the Council in October 2016.



# <u>Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth</u>

# **Business case summary**

Project Information		
Project Title	Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth	
Project Authority Lead	Neath Port Talbot Council	
Project Delivery Lead	Neath Port Talbot Council	
Total project cost	Total = £58,700,000	
	City Deal = £47,700,000	
	Public Sector = £6,000,000	
	Private Sector = £5,000,000	
Date Submitted to ESB	26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2019	

#### **Project description**

The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme has been developed to deliver a coordinated delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in the region with a targeted focus on the Port Talbot Harbourside area.

The Programme aims to create the right environment for innovation, new technologies and a decarbonised local and region economy.

The Programme has been developed around four interlinked themes:

- Swansea Bay Technology Centre An energy positive building on Baglan Energy Park
  providing flexible office space for start-up companies and indigenous businesses, with a
  focus on the innovation, ICT and R&D sectors. The excess energy from solar and other
  renewable technologies will be converted into hydrogen at the nearby Hydrogen Centre
  to be used to fuel hydrogen vehicles.
- National Steel Innovation Centre that aims to support the steel and metals industry in Port
  Talbot and Wales with the aim of reducing the carbon footprint of the steel and metals
  industry, and increasing the sustainability of the industry, linking in to the Circular
  Economy.
- **Decarbonisation** To assist with the delivery of decarbonising the City Region, a number of core projects will be undertaken in collaboration with a number of public, private and academic partners including the FLEXIS research operation. These projects include a hard-wired electrical link between the Swansea Bay Technology Centre and the nearby Hydrogen Centre, as well as an electrical charging infrastructure route map. Encouraging

the uptake of electric vehicles, this includes the development and implementation of an electric vehicle charging network that meets the demands of residents, businesses and visitors. New charging stations will contribute to solving Wales' lag in electrical vehicle charging infrastructure and coverage compared to the rest of the UK. Air quality modelling and real-time monitoring will also be introduced to enable better informed air quality decisions in future. This project will include data analytics to identify correlation with pollution sources, evaluation of intervention measures, and area wide, real-time data with significantly more geographic detail than is currently available.

• Industrial Futures – This will address the gap between demand and supply for businesses and available land in the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone, with a hybrid building providing production units as well as office space to support start-ups and indigenous businesses - especially those in the innovation and manufacturing sectors. There will also be laboratory space supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise research and development projects, as well as land remediation, flood defence work, construction of access roads and upgrading of highways. A Property Development Fund will also be made available to support the viability of private sector schemes to develop buildings in the Enterprise Zone.

The portfolio of projects meets the requirements of recommendations arising from reviews into the City Deal, while also representing a first stage response to the climate change emergency declared by the Welsh Government in April, 2019.

The programme will develop over 18,000 square metres of business space, primarily to meet evidenced demand from small to medium sized businesses, while providing the technological platforms essential for them to grow.

Reference information				
Targeted Number of Jobs Created as set out in at Heads of Terms:	Swansea Bay Technology Centre – 56 jobs over 5 years  National Steel Innovation Centre – 135 jobs over 5 years  Decarbonisation – 40 jobs over 5 years  Industrial Futures - 215	Total GVA contribution as set out in the Heads of Terms:	Steel Science Centre - £95 million over 15 years	
Number of Jobs Created as set out in the current version Business Case:	Creation/safeguarding of 446 (new high value added jobs)	Total GVA contribution as set out in the current verion business case	£6.2 million a year once all projects are fully operational  £93 million over 15 years	
Number of skills / training opportunities created:	TBC, although NPT Council will work with appointed contractors and their supply chains	No of enterprises / businesses engaged:	TBC, although the vast majority will be start-up companies and indigenous	

	to deliver targeted outputs.		businesses – especially in the innovation and manufacturing sectors
NPV (15 year)	£145,000,000		
Build start date:	Qtr2 2020	Build end date:	Qtr3 2022

Alignment with the strategic aims and objectives of the Swansea Bay City Deal		
Aim	√ / x	How
Reduce gap in GVA performance between the Region and the UK through improving regional productivity	<b>✓</b>	Analysis estimates an annual GVA impact of £6.2 million once all projects are fully operational. It's also estimated that the programme will deliver a positive, cumulative NPV of £145 million over 15 years.
Create circa 10,000 high value / high skilled jobs	<b>✓</b>	1,320 jobs (including construction) will be safeguarded/created, with at least 30% of these to be new. Jobs will be created in the advanced manufacturing, energy, engineering and technology sectors.
Establish and maintain an effective and aligned skills base	<b>✓</b>	All projects will work with the Regional Learning and Skills partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of the investment.
Create, prove and commercialise new technologies and ideas	<b>✓</b>	The overall project will develop over 18,000 square metres of business space. This will include flexible office space for start-up companies and indigenous businesses to commercialise their ideas and technologies. There will also be laboratory space supported by Industry Wales for spin-outs to monetise research and development projects.  The National Steel Innovation Centre will also facilitate the commercialisation of steel science research and development.
Build capacity and drive forward further and greater inward investment	<b>✓</b>	Employment sites and premises will be developed to house growing indigenous businesses and attract investment, helping meet gaps in business property supply through a demand-led approach with sufficient capacity.  A distinctive programme of decarbonisation for manufacturing will also be developed, helping attract investment, along with a property development fund to stimulate private sector investment.  The marketability of the Enterprise Zone for further investment will also be enhanced.

Create a sustainable regional economy that contributes meaningfully to the economy of Wales and the UK	✓	The project will inject momentum into the delivery of sustainable growth and job creation in Neath Port Talbot and the wider City Region.  A sustainable regional economy will be created via decarbonisation to establish cleaner processes for industry and cleaner air for communities.  Decarbonisation interventions will also promote sustainable travel, buildings and economic growth, while creating a more diversified economy. This will contribute to Wales and UK-wide climate change targets.  The project will also invest in 21st century employment facilities to create sustainable jobs in identified sectors, with innovative steelmaking research and development due to benefit the steel industry in Neath Port Talbot, the City Region and far beyond for many years to come.
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Alignment w	vith other Swansea Bay City Deal and other Regional / National Projects
Digital Infrastructure	Next generation digital infrastructure, as well as the potential for early in- region access to 5G, will boost business productivity in the new employment
Project	spaces being developed, helping attract further investment.  It will also accelerate work to decarbonise the economy, while facilitating advanced research and development to safeguard the future of the steel industry.
Skills & Talent Initiative	All projects forming part of the programme will work with the Regional Learning and Skills Partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of this investment.
Other City Deal Project(s) please specify	<ul> <li>This Programme is also aligned to the four 'internet' themes within the City Deal programme:</li> <li>The Internet of Economic Acceleration: next generation digital infrastructure</li> <li>The Internet of Life Science and Well-being: expanding research and innovation</li> <li>The Internet of Energy: energy innovation and sustainable housing</li> <li>Smart manufacturing</li> <li>The energy efficient buildings and decarbonisation elements of the programme also align to the regional Homes as Power Stations project, as well as the Pembroke Dock Marine project aimed at boosting South West Wales' blue economy</li> </ul>
Other significant regional project(s) please specify	The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth programme and the Active Building Centre at Swansea University are aligned in a number of ways, and will continue to work together to accelerate market adoption of energy positive and net zero buildings.  Port Talbot is a demonstration zone identified in the Flexis (Flexible Integrated
	Energy Systems) research operation programme

The University of South Wales Hydrogen R&D Centre in Baglan Energy Park is a partner in the hydrogen stimulus project

The SPECIFIC Innovation and Knowledge Centre at Swansea University

The Steel and Metals Institute (SaMI) at Swansea University

The Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone – a strategic plan (2018-2021) was endorsed by the Enterprise Zone Board and Neath Port Talbot Council's Cabinet in October and November 2018 respectively. The vision is to create a diversified and resilient economy, while building on local strengths in steel, energy and manufacturing.

# Other significant national project(s) please specify

Neath Port Talbot benefits from European funding as it is part of the West Wales and the Valleys programme area. European funding helps support people into work and training, youth employment, research and innovation, business (SMEs) competitiveness, renewable energy and energy efficiency, and connectivity and urban development.

The Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth also meets the requirements of the UK Government's Industrial Strategy, the BEIS Energy Innovation Programme and the Climate Change Act.

#### Key Milestones, monitoring and evaluation

#### Key milestones

#### Swansea Bay Technology Centre

- Two-stage design and build contract award Qtr3 2019
- Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Qtr1 2020
- Technical design Qtr2 2020
- Full planning consent Qtr2 2020
- Construction start Qtr2 2020
- Construction complete Qtr3 2021

#### **National Steel Innovation Centre**

- Site confirmation Qtr4 2019
- Tender period two stage-procurement (Design and build) Qtr1 2020
- Pre-Application Consultation (PAC) Qtr4 2020
- Full planning consent Qtr1 2021
- Start construction Qtr2 2021
- Construction complete Qtr3 2022

#### **Decarbonisation**

- Purchase and install air quality monitors Qtr4 2019
- Monitor air quality via data analytics Qtr1 2020

	<ul> <li>Start work with key partners on evidence-based electric vehicle charging strategy - Qtr1 2020</li> <li>Mobilisation of electric link between Swansea Bay Technology Centre and Hydrogen Centre - Qtr3 2021</li> <li>Development of commercial strategy - Qtr1 2022</li> </ul> Industrial futures
	<ul> <li>Start of two-stage design and procurement process for production facility - Qtr1 2020</li> <li>Start of two-stage design and procurement process for R&amp;D innovation and growth facility - Qtr1 2020</li> <li>Opening of three-year Property Development Fund scheme - Qtr2</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>2020</li> <li>Completion of production facility construction - Qtr4 2021</li> <li>Completion of R&amp;D innovation and growth facility construction - Qtr4 2021</li> </ul>
SMART/Investment Objectives	<ol> <li>To create a 2,500 square metre, three-storey Swansea Bay         Technology Centre in response to well-evidenced demand for high-         quality, flexible business premises.</li> <li>To establish a National Steel Innovation Centre of about 6,000 square         metres that will provide access to world class facilities for the         development of innovative steel products and processes. This will         allow for the commercialisation of research and development, while         supporting the transition to reduce carbon emissions in the steel and         metals industry. This will help safeguard 3,000 jobs in the Welsh         steelmaking sector.</li> <li>To help decarbonise the local and regional economy through the         introduction of electric vehicle infrastructure, the production of zero         carbon fuel for council vehicles, and the use of state-of-the-art         modelling and monitoring to inform air quality interventions.</li> <li>The creation of over 10,000 square metres of flexible office spaces,         laboratory spaces and production units to support start-up         companies and indigenous companies at the Port Talbot Waterfront         Enterprise Zone.</li> </ol>

	Wider Impacts
Influencing curriculum	All projects forming part of the programme will work with the Regional Learning and Skills Partnership to ensure there is an appropriate skills base to take advantage of this investment.
Environmental impacts	The decarbonisation theme of the programme will lead to environmental improvements through:

	<ul> <li>Energy efficient buildings, including the Swansea Bay Technology Centre</li> <li>Cleaner air, thanks to air quality modelling and real time monitoring that will inform positive air quality interventions</li> <li>Encouragement of further electric vehicle uptake due to investment in charging infrastructure</li> <li>Research and development being anchored into future steel-making across the region to further reduce carbon emissions</li> <li>The production of zero carbon fuel for use by council vehicles</li> </ul>
Alignment with	The programme will meet the requirements of the WBFG Act by helping
WBFG Act	create:
	<ul> <li>A prosperous Wales through the provision of new employment and efficient use of resources via building design and the re-use of brownfield land</li> <li>A resilient Wales via new business premises, with the necessary technological infrastructure to promote diversification and reduce overreliance on traditional industries and public sector employment</li> <li>A healthier Wales, with long-standing evidence demonstrating the positive impact of employment on health and well-being</li> <li>A more equal Wales, thanks to the programme including opportunities accessible to all to reduce societal inequalities</li> <li>Cohesive Communities through sustainable, viable employment</li> <li>A Vibrant Culture and thriving Welsh Language, with increased employment opportunities supporting the language in the medium and longer term</li> <li>A Globally Responsible Wales, thanks to the design and delivery of buildings in line with required sustainable development principles</li> </ul>
Other	The programme will help the UK and Welsh Governments with their carbon
Please specify	reduction targets, while meeting the requirements of the BEIS Energy
	Innovation Programme.

#### **Procurement**

Construction works will be procured through the South West Wales Regional Construction Framework, with engineering works procured via the South West Wales Civil Engineering Framework.

Requirements for project evaluations will be procured through Sell2Wales or appropriate frameworks.

The Council will work with appointed contractors and their supply chains to deliver targeted outputs. These include:

- training and the recruitment of the economically inactive by offering apprenticeships
- traineeships or work experience opportunities
- maximising opportunities for SMEs to bid for sub-contract opportunities

There are also collaborative arrangements to coordinate the delivery of community benefits, including employability initiatives like Workways+ and Communities for Work.

	Financial Profile
Breakdown of public sector funding sources and timing	<ul> <li>City Deal = £47.7 million</li> <li>Neath Port Talbot Council – £3.7 million</li> <li>WEFO/WG grant - £4 million</li> </ul>
Breakdown of private sector funding sources and timing	<ul> <li>£5m minimum contribution from Property Development Fund</li> <li>Rental income from Swansea Bay Technology Centre, Production Unit, National Steel Innovation Centre</li> </ul>

#### Sustainability

Private sector investment will be levered into the programme, helping to promote its sustainability beyond the 15-year programme. The Industrial Futures and Swansea Bay Technology Centre aspects of the portfolio will also lead to a clustering of sector specific businesses, which will attract further inward investment and jobs. This will create a legacy of economic buoyancy for many years, with NNDR income helping to create improved services and more vibrant communities.

The programme's decarbonisation theme will lead to Neath Port Talbot and the City Region becoming an exemplar in the use of renewable energy and technologies, helping develop a greener economy for decades to come.



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#### City Deal June 2019 - Cost Benefit Analysis

Scenario (Base)	10Yr NPV	15Yr NPV
A - Preferred Implementation	81,083,437	144,778,281
B - Alternative Implementation		
C - Do Minimum	4 1	12
D - Do Nothing	58,247	58,247

Sensitivity Analysis	10Yr NPV	15Yr NPV
20% reduction in Wider Benefit		
A - Preferred Implementation	71,529,861	129,332,028
B - Alternative Implementation	₩	ė.
C - Do Minimum		-
D - Do Nothing	54,331	54,331
1Yr Delay in Benefits		
A - Preferred Implementation	66,925,458	132,930,479
B - Alternative Implementation		46
C - Do Minimum		**
D - Do Nothing	58,247	58,247
20% increase in costs		
A - Preferred Implementation	70,365,443	134,060,287
B - Alternative Implementation	9	E
C - Do Minlmum	:*	E.
D - Do Nothing	58,247	58,247

	10Yr NPV	15Yr NPV
40% reduction in Benefits		
A - Preferred Implementation	27,214,074	65,430,981
B - Alternative Implementation	27,214,074	03,430,361
C - Do Minimum	-	
D - Do Nothing	34,948	34,948
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Slow Mobilisation (6month delay)		
A - Preferred Implementation	74,004,447	138,854,380
B - Alternative Implementation	*	( e)
C - Do Minimum	95	
D - Do Nothing	58,247	58,247
1Yr Delay and -20% Wider Benefit		
A - Preferred Implementation	57,371,882	117,484,226
B - Alternative Implementation		260
C - Do Minimum		92.0
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Technology Jobs Created	66	141	188	237	276	301	301	301	301	301	301	301	301	301	301	301	301
Theme Sector Benefit	4,207,320	6,378,840	8,505,120	10,721,880	12,486,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	13,617,240	178,471,800	110,385,600
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Total Benefits	6,068,541	9,828,717	13,767,436	16,132,269	18,051,732	19,550,477	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	19,509,917	258,988,425	161,438,840
Total Benefits (discounted)	6,068,541	9,484,712	12,820,581	14,496,975	15,654,101	16,360,400	15,755,032	15,203,606	14,671,480	14,157,978	13,662,449	13,184,263	12,722,814	12,277,516	11,847,803	198,368,252	134,673,407
Cumulative Benefits (discounted)	6,068,541	15,553,253	28,373,833	42,870,809	58,524,910	74,885,310	90,640,342	105,843,949	120,515,429	134,673,407	148,335,856	161,520,119	174,242,934	186,520,449	198,368,252	198,368,252	134,673,407
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# Swansea Bay City Deal Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth Potential Economic Impact – Technical Note

#### Introduction

This Economic Impact technical note considers the potential economic impact of the City Deal 'Supporting Innovation and Low Carbon Growth' FBC programme.

The purpose of this technical note is to consider the potential economic impact that might arise should this Programme be successfully implemented. The potential impact of this Programme reflects the potential collective impacts of its constituent projects. The objective of this note is to provide an indication of the potential broad magnitude of the overall economic impact under highly conservative assumptions.

#### **Programme Costs**

- Only includes capital and revenue costs;
- Not yet adjusted for optimum bias or risk; and
- Assumes each project will operate for 40 years.

Table 1: Undiscounted Programme Costs (£m, 2019 prices)

	Total Capital Costs during Construction Period	Total Revenue Costs during Operation	Total Project Costs (Capital and Revenue)
By Theme			
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	7.50	8.00	15.50
National Steel Innovation Centre	20.00	8.00	28.00
Decarbonisation	3.00	-	3.00
Industrial Futures	25.00	26.00	51.00
Total	55.50	42.00	97.50
By Project			
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	7.50	8.00	15.50
National Steel Innovation Centre	20.00	8.00	28.00
Hydrogen Developments	2.00	-	2.00
Air Quality	0.50	-	0.50
Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	0.50	-	0.50
Production Facility	12.00	16.00	28.00
R&D Innovation & Growth Facility	8.00	-	8.00
Property Development Fund	5.00	-	5.00
Revenue - not project specific	-	10.00	10.00
Total	55.50	42.00	97.50

#### Key points:

- £55.5m CAPEX, of which:
- OPEX of £1.05m per annum once fully operational to be funded from project revenues

Table 2: Discounted Programme Costs (£m, 2019 prices)

	Total Capital Costs during Construction Period	Total Revenue Costs during Operation	Total Project Costs (Capital and Revenue)
By Theme			
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	7.21	4.14	11.36
National Steel Innovation Centre	18.45	4.01	22.46
Decarbonisation	2.87	-	2.87
Industrial Futures	23.52	13.65	37.17
Total	52.06	21.80	73.86
By Project			
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	7.21	4.14	11.36
National Steel Innovation Centre	18.45	4.01	22.46
Hydrogen Developments	1.90	-	1.90
Air Quality	0.50	-	0.50
Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	0.47	-	0.47
Production Facility	11.33	8.29	19.62
R&D Innovation & Growth Facility	7.60	-	7.60
Property Development Fund	4.59	-	4.59
Revenue - not project specific	-	5.36	5.36
Total	52.06	21.80	73.86

Once discounted as per HMT Green Book to provide comparable present costs, key points:

- The two projects already included within the City Deal funding envelope – the Swansea Bay Technology Centre and National Steel Innovation Centre – account for 46% of programme costs; and
- The Industrial Futures programme accounts for half of overall programme costs.

Comparison with the original City Deal proposal shows:

 The original City Deal funding envelope included £23m of funding for CENGS and £20m of funding for the Steel Science Innovation Centre – earlier iterations of the Swansea Bay Technology Centre and National Steel Innovation Centre respectively;

- The marginal cost of this revised City Deal Programme therefore stands at just £4.7m<sup>1</sup> – an uplift of 11% - in return for which this Programme intends to deliver eight projects rather than two;
- Moreover, this additional 11% in City Deal investment would leverage some £50m in undiscounted public sector investment across the lifecycle of these eight projects. This additional investment from WEFO / WG, NPTCBC and from retained project revenues would not be forthcoming without the initial capital funding from the Swansea Bay City Deal programme.

# **Programme Benefits**

Potential programme benefits comprise:

- Direct public sector benefits to the originating organisation;
- Indirect public sector benefits to other public sector organisations (not possible to calculate at this time owing to early stage of project development); and
- Wider benefits to UK society.

# Direct public sector benefits

The programme will yield cash releasing benefits in the form of rental income from new property development that would be owned by the Council and let to tenants. Key assumptions include:

- Assumes 44% of gross floor space is 'net additional'2;
- Assumes 80% of GIFA is net-lettable across each project;
- Assumes 90% occupancy levels; and
- Assumes rental of £10psf per year.

Table 3: Direct Cash Releasing Benefit (£m, 2019 prices)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> £47.7m now vs £43m in the original funding envelope.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Additionality Guide, English Partnerships (2008)

	Gross internal floor area (m2)	% net additional	Net additional GIFA (m2)	Percentage net lettable	Net Additional NIA (m2)	Assumed occupancy rate	Occupied Net Additional NIA (m2)	Annual Net Additional Cash Releasing Benefit to NPTCBC
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	2,500	44%	1,100	80%	880	90%	792	85,251
National Steel Innovation Centre	6,000	44%	2,640	80%	2,112	90%	1,901	204,602
Production Facility	2,230	44%	981	80%	785	90%	706	76,044
R&D Innovation and Growth Facility	2,000	44%	880	80%	704	90%	634	68,201
Property Development Fund	6,000	44%	2,640	80%	2,112	90%	1,901	204,602
Total	18,730		8,241		6,593		5,934	638,700

#### Key points:

- Once the facilities to be developed under each facility are fully operational, the resulting annual cash releasing benefit is expected to be in the order of £710K in real 2019 prices;
- Comparison between this figure and the revenue costs presented in Table 1 shows that the direct cash releasing benefit alone is equivalent to some 60% of the annual OPEX of the facilities

# Wider Benefits to UK Society

Wider economic benefits should be measured from the perspective of the UK as a whole. At this level, best practice has moved away from the use of employment and GVA calculations since at the macro level only interventions that increase human capital or job search activity have positive labour supply effects. However, at the local level, first round labour demand effects can be included.

Key assumptions in doing so include:

- Assumes 44% of gross floor space is 'net additional'
- Assumes 80% of GIFA is net-lettable across each project
- Assumes 90% occupancy levels
- Assumes 32% of jobs accommodated are 'net additional'<sup>3</sup>

Table 4: Potential Net Additional Jobs

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Additionality Guide, English Partnerships (2008)

	Net Additional NIA (m2)	Assumed occupancy rate	Occupied Net Additional NIA (m2)	Assumed Employment Density (m2 NIA per job)	Number of jobs accommodate d	Net Additional Jobs Created
Swansea Bay Technology Centre	880	90%	792	12	66	21
National Steel Innovation Centre	2,112	90%	1,901	12	158	51
Production Facility	785	90%	706	12	59	19
R&D Innovation and Growth Facility	704	90%	634	12	53	17
Property Development Fund	2,112	90%	1,901	12	158	51
Total	6,593		5,934		494	158

It is likely that these jobs would be reasonably high value. For example, the economic impact work undertaken in support of the Port Talbot Waterfront Enterprise Zone noted that manufacturing jobs within the Port Talbot area generated GVA impacts of nearly £72,000 per job.

However, owing to the early stage of project development a highly conservative estimate is adopted, which assumes productivity per job to instead be in-line with the Swansea and Neath Port Talbot average of some £39,000. This generates a more conservative estimated annual GVA impact of £6.2m once all the above projects are fully operational.

#### **Net Present Value**

Comparison of these indicative net present costs and benefits is shown below assuming a 40 year operating period. The results show a Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR)<sup>4</sup> of 1.85, even adopting the conservative assumption that net additional jobs created are only of equal value to those already present within the Swansea / NPT area and only including the GVA and cash-releasing benefits of the above programmes in the calculation.

Table 5: High Level Net Present Value Estimates

	Economic Impact
Net Present Costs	73.86
Net Present Benefits	136.95
Net Present Value	63.08
Benefit Cost Ratio	1.85

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> BCR Definition - The Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) is one of the standard metrics used to appraise the potential economic return from a project, the other common metric being NPV.

Net Present Value (NPV) = Present Value of Benefits (i.e. the discounted future benefits) minus the Present Value of Costs. NPV therefore gives an indication of the potential magnitude of economic impact.

BCR = Present Value of Benefits divided by Present Value of Costs. A BCR above one delivers a positive economic return. A BCR's intuitive interpretation gives an indication of the potential return on investment for every pound spent. A BCR of 1.85 therefore implies that for every £1 invested in this project, the economy benefits by £1.85 - i.e. society gets back almost twice as much as it puts in.

The above results should be treated with caution and are indicative only. However, the positive NPV is reasonably robust to changes in the input assumptions. For example, even if an optimum bias adjustment of 50% is added to all costs the BCR still remains above one as shown below.

Table 6: High Level Net Present Value Estimates, including 50% Optimism Bias

	Economic Impact
Net Present Costs	110.79
Net Present Benefits	136.95
Net Present Value	26.15
Benefit Cost Ratio	1.24