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Summary: This is a letter from the Development and Regeneration Scrutiny Performance Panel, following the meeting of the Panel on 25th January 2022. It covers the Foreshore Developments.

Dear Councillor Hopkins and Councillor Robert Francis-Davies,

On the 25th January, the Panel met to hear a verbal update regarding the current position of Foreshore Developments in Swansea. The Panel are grateful for your attendance and input at this meeting. We also thank Geoff Bacon, Head of Property Services, and The Leader for their attendance and contributions.

The Panel heard a limited overview of the current position, in relation to the existing Swansea Bay Strategy. It was agreed that the Panel write to the Cabinet Members outlining specific areas of interest, a response to which could then be submitted to us *in camera* if appropriate. Our main queries centre on the following points:

1. Please may we have an update regarding the marketing of foreshore sites, and in particular any update regarding interest shown in the Civic Centre site.

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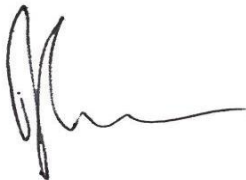
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2. Are there currently plans for the Council to re-develop the Civic Centre site should there be no interest shown by outside parties?
3. In relation to the Civic Centre, it is understood that there are sublet agreements in place with external parties. What is the time span of these agreements and when are they due to end?
4. In the Council's study that was carried out with the Welsh Government in 2008, we understand that three sites were considered to be very important (Sketty Lane car park, Blackpill and Knab Rock). Are there currently any active enquiries about these sites?

Whilst we understand the commercial sensitivity of possible negotiations surrounding development sites, we as a Scrutiny Panel would appreciate updates regarding these important assets and would welcome a future meeting in closed session.

We are interested in any thoughts you may have on the contents of this letter. We would be grateful if you could please provide a written response to the above points by 28th February 2022.

Yours sincerely,



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