



City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee

Remotely via Microsoft Teams

Thursday, 13 February 2025 at 9.00 am

Present: Councillor Rob Stewart (Swansea Council) Presided

Councillors:

Jon Harvey	Pembrokeshire Council
Steve Hunt	Neath Port Talbot Council
Darren Price	Carmarthenshire County Council

Co-opted Non-Voting Representatives:

Elwen Evans	University of Wales Trinity St. David's
Jan Williams	Swansea Bay University Health Board

Officers:

Steven TO Aldred-Jones	Carmarthenshire Council
Peter Austin	Swansea Bay City Region
Richard Brown	Assistant Chief Executive (Pembrokeshire Council)
Jonathan Burnes	Director (Swansea Bay City Region)
Allison Lowe	Swansea Council
Chris Moore	Joint S151 Officer (Carmarthenshire Council)
Lucy Moore	Directorate Lawyer (Swansea Council – Observer)
Martin Nicholls	Chief Executive (Swansea Council)
Frances O'Brien	Chief Executive, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Debbie Smith	Deputy Monitoring Officer (Swansea Council)
Wendy Walters	Chief Executive (Carmarthenshire Council)

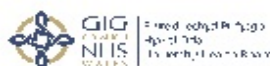
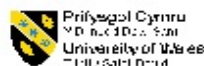
Apologies for Absence:

Paul Boyle (Swansea University)

43 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea, the following interests were declared:

- 1) Stephen To Aldred-Jones, Peter Austin and Jonathan Burnes declared a personal and prejudicial interest in minute 48 and left the meeting prior to the item being discussed.



44 Minutes.

Resolved that the Minutes of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee held on 17 December 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

45 Announcement(s) of the Chair.

The Chair welcomed Jan Williams, Chair of Swansea Bay University Health Board to her first meeting of the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee.

46 Public Questions

There were no public questions.

47 Swansea Bay City Deal Financial Monitoring Report 2024/25 Provisional Outturn Position Quarter 3 (October-December 2024).

Chris Moore, Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Section 151 Officer provided Joint Committee with an update on the latest financial position of the Swansea Bay City Region.

Resolved that the Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee approves the financial monitoring update report.

48 Swansea Bay City Deal - The Future Role of the Programme / Portfolio Management Office (PoMo).

Debbie Smith, SBCD Monitoring Officer presented a report to commission a review of the SBCD Programme/Portfolio Management Office (PoMO).

Resolved that:

- 1) A review and evaluation of the PoMO function is commissioned due to the fact that there is no agreement to ongoing funding of the PoMO beyond 2025-26.
- 2) The draft terms of reference attached at Appendix 2 are approved and authority is delegated to the officer group (recommendation 3) to further develop the terms of reference as appropriate.
- 3) The review is undertaken by a representative officer group from the constituent authorities comprising the officers set out in paragraph 1 of the terms of reference.
- 4) A report be produced with a series of considered options, together with a comprehensive impact evaluation of those options for the Joint Committee to consider at a future meeting.

49 Swansea Bay City Deal Quarter 3 Portfolio Monitoring Report 2024/25.

Jonathan Burnes, SBCD Portfolio Director presented a "for information" report to inform Joint Committee of the SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report for both the SBCD Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects.

50 Construction Impact Assessment Review Report.

Peter Austin, SBCD Business Engagement Manager presented a “for information” report to update Joint Committee on the review of the Construction Impact Assessment Report.

51 Private Sector Investment/Contribution Report.

Peter Austin, SBCD Business Engagement Manager presented a “for information” report to update Joint Committee on the current situation with SBDC portfolio private sector investment and contributions.

The meeting ended at 9.38 am

Chair