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Dear Councillor Mary Jones

Cabinet Member Question Session – 11th December
Further response RE: Legacy Fund Performance and Monitoring

This letter addresses the additional information requested as outlined in the message sent on behalf of yourself as the Chair of the Scrutiny Programme Committee on the 19th March.

Your request was as follows, "... the Committee would like to have more specific information about the measures / indicators that will be used to assess and evaluate performance against stated objectives, and expected outcomes, to know that the Council will obtain good value for money from the funding pot of just over £0.5m.

The Committee noted that you give some examples of the sort of measures that will be looked at but it would be helpful if you can share with us the actual performance measures and targets. The Committee is looking for further assurance that there is a clear plan on how performance is going to be monitored against the intended outcomes of the Legacy Fund."

On the 20th February 2018 we received notification from the Welsh Government that Swansea's Legacy Fund proposal is acceptable and confirmation that a formal offer letter will follow in due course.

Details of the Legacy Fund performance measures, targets and monitoring plan have been included on the following pages accompanying this letter.

I trust this detailed information will satisfy the Scrutiny Programme Committee.

Yours sincerely



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Swansea Legacy Fund Proposed Performance Measures, Targets and Monitoring Arrangements

Local Priorities	Measures (PI – Performance Indicator)	Legacy Funded Projects	Targets
Tackling child poverty and mitigating the impact of adverse childhood experiences.	<p>PI 1: Feel positive about their health & well-being</p> <p>PI 2: Feel less isolated/lonely</p> <p>PI 3: Feel like they belong in their community</p> <p>PI 4: Children & Young People receive support & guidance</p> <p>PI 5: Participants develop positive friendships</p> <p>PI 6: Parents being able to access employment or training due to afterschool & holiday childcare provision</p> <p>PI 7: Take part in activities to promote personal and social development</p> <p>PI 8: Gaining a qualification</p> <p>PI 9: Improved literacy skills</p> <p>PI 10: Improved numeracy skills</p> <p>PI 11: Volunteering</p>	<p>1a) Faith in Families:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy Attitudes Project • After School & Holiday Club Project • Parenting Support • Improving Life Skills & Opportunities <p>1b) Bonymaen Kids Play Initiative; after school homework club and holiday club.</p>	<p>PI 1: 81 individuals</p> <p>PI 2: 265 individuals</p> <p>PI 3: 265 individuals</p> <p>PI 4: 151 individuals</p> <p>PI 5: 340 individuals</p> <p>PI 6: 105 individuals</p> <p>PI 7: 38 individuals</p> <p>PI 8: 40 individuals</p> <p>PI 9: 40 individuals</p> <p>PI 10: 40 individuals</p> <p>PI 11: 6 individuals</p> <p>PI 4: 77 individuals</p> <p>PI 6: 13 individuals</p>
Enhancing employment support provision through the development of a single employability offer.	<p>PI 12: Accessing the single employability offer and being signposted to appropriate support</p>	<p>2) Single Employability Coordination</p>	<p>PI 12: 900 individuals</p>
Mitigating the impacts of Welfare Reform through provision of local specialist welfare benefits support.	<p>PI 13: Accessing welfare benefits support</p> <p>PI 14: Value of benefits accessed</p>	<p>3) Welfare Benefits project</p>	<p>PI 13: 200 individuals</p> <p>PI 14: as recorded</p>
Enhancing digital inclusion to support	<p>PI 15: Increased digital skills</p>	<p>4) Digital Inclusion project</p>	<p>PI 15: 270 individuals</p>

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<p>Universal Credit claim management and the ability to seek and find work online.</p>			
<p>Improving financial inclusion and financial capability through income maximisation, reduction of household expenditure and mitigating the impact of the poverty premium.</p>	<p>PI 16: Accessing financial inclusion support PI 17: Value debt addressed</p>	<p>5) Financial inclusion project</p>	<p>PI 16: 200 individuals PI 17: As recorded</p>
<p>Development of sector specific employment training pathways linked to local employment growth sectors.</p>	<p>PI 8: Gaining a qualification PI 9: Improved literacy skills PI 10: Improved numeracy skills PI 18: Accessing employment skills training</p>	<p>6) Employment skills project</p>	<p>PI 8: 600 qualifications PI 9: 200 individuals PI 10: 200 individuals PI 18: 400 individuals</p>
<p>Common Measures</p>	<p>PI 19: Adults referred to C4W PI 20: Adults referred to C4W+ PI 21: Adults referred from C4W PI 22: Adults referred from C4W+ PI 23: Securing employment PI 24: Narrative Case Studies</p>	<p>All of the above projects</p>	<p>As recorded</p>

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Legacy project performance measures have been set out in the table above. These are based on previous reporting and focused on measuring what matters. Faith in Families completed a consultation of their users through the WCVA Communities First support contract and they worked with Case-UK to identify what were the most beneficial services to their users and identifying what their greatest needs were. The results included, support for family issues, services for children, support for resident's health and well-being needs and preventing loneliness. The performance measures for the Legacy Fund projects have been aligned to these needs.

The Third Party Organisations; Faith in Families and Bonymaen Kids Play Initiative who are delivering the Legacy Fund activity will have a contract which includes the monitoring, performance and reporting requirements. Terms and conditions within the contract will reflect those within the Legacy Fund offer letter from the Welsh Government to Swansea Council, which is yet to be received.

Monitoring and measuring performance will be completed quarterly against the locally identified priorities, this will include robust financial monitoring, site visits, quality checks on activity and the involvement of the local community.

Monitoring reports will be submitted to the Welsh Government mid and end of year, tracking the progress made against benefit to the community, identified priorities and targets of projects.

The Welsh Government will issue a template report before the end of each reporting period. Welsh Government reserves the right to visit and request appropriate documentation on any project that receives support from the Legacy Fund. This includes financial evidence and evidence on outcomes.

Monitoring information will include performance measure numerical results, narrative of activity and individual case studies. Monitoring and measuring performance is the responsibility of Swansea Council and will be supported by the Business Improvement and Finance Officer, Employability Manager and Adult Prosperity and Well-being Service Manager.