Scrutiny

Dashboard Report March 2020



Swansea Central – Phase 1	Timescales	Budget			
	Green	Green	Amber		
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed				
 Main Contract - progress update. Commenced start on site 27th November. 82 week programme -practical completion June 2021-On programme. Footbridge removed together with 8 trees at Wellington st to allow work to proceed including replacement of 16 semi mature trees. Art Strategy submitted to discharge condition. Piling work will complete end of month and Steelwork to commence on site at end of March Design/construction. Bridge - origami swan design progressing North Block - Design, (stage 4 and 5) continuing to be worked up. More Poetry block - Demolition commenced. Green wall - Green infrastructure grant submitted requesting grant for planting more mature greenery. Wellington street - Tesco landlord consent received - work to commence second quarter 2020 Church Hall - Design progressing and ideas shared with church. Pod in park- design also progressing. Milestone dates Albert row restrictions continue for approximately 1 weeks whilst gas main installed. March - residential and north ramp construction to commence. October - New bridge to be installed Hotel Yenders received for wifi, cctv, phase 1 and wider city including Swansea market tenders currently being assessed. Comms - Meeting with disabled groups Weekly newsletter on construction shared with BID and uploaded to CCS webpage 	 Hotel developer to meet Visit Wateling north to be completed Continue demo of More Poetry Continue to work up stage 4 North scheme design Continuity of Internal meeting to costs, events and lifecycle costs Ongoing discussions with Church Conclude digital tender and instruction and instruction in the residential agreement Key Risks There could be significant risk of impacted through sickness or generative to respond in a time requests for information Making payments on time to aven public transport strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs transport links would be compressioned and the second strategy needs the second strategy needs	th Block design an discuss maintenar and management h, LC & Waterfron uct Progress and f of delay if constru government interv to address any co void costly interes s to be progressed	nce, running plan. t Museum inalise inction is rention. REC ontract		

Swansea Central North - Public Sector Hub,	Timescales Budget Resource
St. David's Square, and UK Government Hubs	Green Amber Amber
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed
 Public Sector Office Hub and St David's Square Report asking to work up costs to be submitted to Cabinet on 23rd April. 	 Public Sector Hub and St. David's Square Full brief to be developed
On site visit with Welsh Government.	Funding awarded subject to Cabinet decision.
 Scoping sustainability requirements and opportunities for hub. 	UK Government Hubs
Zero carbon meeting held.	Continue negotiations.
UK Government Hubs	
On going discussions,	
Key Risks	Decisions required - NONE

- 1. City Centre Transport. To be considerd to ensure hubs can be delivered.
- 2. SUDs. Failure to gain SABs will prevent development progressing.
- 3. Delivery Funding & Viability Gap Programme NEW: Delays in Swansea Central programme could impact relocation from Civic Centre.

Swansea Central North	Timescales	Budget	Resource		
	Green	Amber	Amber		
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed				
 Report being presented to Cabinet on 23rd April 	Continued discussions with potential occupiers.				
	 Liaison with Shaping Swansea / Strategic Sites as scheme will be key component of partnership 				
Key Risks	Decisions required	NONE			

- **1. Delivery Funding & Viability Gap** Work to be undertaken to minimise cost and maximise value.
- 2. Loss of potential operators Ensure discussions continue with potential occupiers.

3. Residential Provision If all identified office accommodation comes forward, the site will not be able to delivered expected residential volumes.

Kingsway – Infrastructure & Public Realm Phase 2: Main Contract Works	Timescales Green	Budget Amber	Resource Green
Progress highlights	Actions to be	completed	
 Latest stakeholder meeting on 11/03/20 – no significant issues arising. 2 way-switch remains planned for weekend of 4th/5th April – this will be weather dependant. Communications - work ongoing to: Highlight overnight work is due to take place on a number of Swansea city centre roads from March 19 to April 3 weekdays only. Prepare communication materials, sites for traffic layout to be displayed close to agreement 	two-way swi	April after the	
Key Risks			
 Any change in the design of The Kingsway Infrastructure Project will have implications on programme and the delivery of the 2 way 'switch' in 2020 and budget The agreed budget contingency must be protected during the project lifetime to guard against compensation events and unforeseen costs, Coronavirus may affect resourcing of project to meet deadlines. 			

Kingsway – Strategy & Digital Village		Timescales	Budget	Resource
		Amber	Amber	Amber
Progress highlights	Ac	ctions to be co	ompleted fo	r next CRPB
Review of The Kingsway & Orchard Street Strategy				
Awaiting outcome of car parking strategy prior to recommencing work on this.	•	Delay any furth parking matters	• •	ntil outstanding ca
71and72 The Kingsway				
 Planning Aplpication submitted 0n 06/03/20; SABS application to be submitted Positive engagement with potential operators/tenants continues to inform the project viability report. Ongoing dialogue with Hacer re development of former Woolworths and land sale 				
Key Risks	De	cisions requir	ed	
Digital Village				
 If the outcome of the viability & letting strategy is not accepted by Members then this will delay procurement of the works contract. HACER proposals for Picton Yard, may have some impact on the Digital Village scheme If SUDS cannot be agreed by SAB officer prior to submission of planning application then this presents a significant risk of delay of the planning application. If there is a change in design, then this will impact on the costs and delivery period for the project 	Nor	ne.		

Wind Street	Timescales	Budget	Resource
	Green	Green	Green
Progress highlights	Actions to be	e completed	
to commercially 'test' the financial implications of each design scenario presented to Cabinet in July 2019	 Presentation of outline layout plan EIA will be going for approval soon 		
Key Risks			
 Expending external funding Perception of Impact on Business -seeking to establish a baseline to establish current viability and market conditions, and establishment of stakeholder group. 3 			

City Centre Marketing of Strategic Sites	Timescales	Budget	Resource
	Green	Green	Amber
Progress highlights	Actions to b	e complet	ed
Launch event held in NWM Swansea on 4 th March. Presentations by Leader, Chief Executive and ATG as well as new fly through and VR experience. Well attended with extensive press and social media coverage . Shaping Swansea websites are now live MIPIM postponed until June due to French restrictions on large gatherings following Covid 19 virus outbreak Discussions ongoing with DIT Procurement documents updated following latest discussions and almost complete Agreed to delay procurement process following postponement of MIPIM and uncertainty over Covid 19 virus however we will keep in regular contact with interested parties Ongoing liaison with Swansea Central Phase 2 teams to ensure cohesive approach to Swansea Central North	 High level apprisite Complete procuon on how to more the second sec	curement doo	-
ey Risks			

- If we don't have a clear strategy for procuring a partner and a full suite of information then discussions with potential partners could break down no change
 Needs to be of a suitable scale and duration or bidders will lose interest no change
- If no decision is made on delivery of Public Sector hub then this could impact bidders interest no change

City Deal	RAG Status	Timescales Green	Budget Amber	Resource Amber
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed for next CRPB			
 Terms & Conditions agreed Programme Director Appointment made Regional Metro feasibility underway. Joint committee approval for MIPIM region representation. £18m initial funding received by Carmarthenshire. Funding to be issued once funding agreement between all authorities is agreed. 				
Key Risk	Decisions	required		
 Timing of funding unknown. Regional discussions continue. 	None			

Strategic Sites and Projects Overview					
Project	Update	Timescale	Budget	Resource	
Castle Square	 Consultants completing a final draft report of 3 options supported by a range of technical and viability studies. Draft report delayed due to amendments to incorporate expectations in terms of GI and SUDS, Meeting held with Cadw 28.02.20 to review options and to consider a previous conceptual scheme for use of part of the Castle structure as a visitor facility. Cadw support in principle to be confirmed and subject to completion of Heritage Impact Assessment. 	G	G	G	
Felindre	 Draft ecology reports was reviewed by project team to inform mitigation for loss of habitat and future maintenance plan. New work-streams identified and individual meetings will now take place on (a) Site Management, Ecology & SUDs, (b) Planning, (c) Marketing. Project update meetings set up to take place quarterly. DPD are now operational and joint PR to be arranged. Next phase of infrastructure works to further enhance the business park ongoing. 	A	G	G	
Mariner Street	Works on site progressing.	G	G	G	
Swansea Vale	 Meetings have taken place to review Ecology and species survey progress and to develop a wildlife management plan for the area. This will also inform mitigation for loss of habitat at Tregof for bringing forward the development which has been delayed due to these issues together with new SUDS legislation. 	R	G	R	

Tawe Riverside Corridor

Programme/ Project	Update	Actions to be completed by next CRPB	Timescale	Budget	Resource
Tawe Riverside Strategy/ Masterplan	 Given the pivotal role of the Skyline proposal on the site awaiting further clarity on Skyline designs. The completion of the Morfa/Tawe Riverside path to enable the completion of a continuous pedestrian/cycleway connection to Hafod CW/Liberty Stadium is a key proposal. Future development proposals of sites on Morfa Road, including Pipehouse Wharf must make suitable provision for this through planning and legal agreements. 	To undertake further consultations ,key action resources to consider P&R relocation and Museum store relocation.	G	G	G
Skyline Kilvey Hill	 Work on the Economic Impact study by consultants Baldwins to support funding application is nearing completion. Council letter of support prepared to accompany the bid to W.Govt W.G. decision anticipated May/June 2020. Skyline Board meeting likely to be May/June. Skyline visit to UK planned for April. F and B consultant to be appointed by Skyline in NZ. 	To demonstrate commitment to the wider proposals by preparing a scoping document and forward work plan.	G	G	G
Landore Park and Ride Relocation	 Landore P&R will need to be relocated to enable redevelopment. 	Resource needs to be identified to progress work on the Swansea Vale Park and Ride.	G	А	A

City C. Green Infrastruct ure Strategy		Bid prepared for Wgovt GI funding grant, spend required by March 2021	G	G	G	
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External Funding Overview

Programme/Project	Update	Timescale	Budget	Resource
01. Welsh Government ext	ernal funding sources			
Targeted Regeneration and	 Regional SLA for grant schemes circulated to other LAs. 			
Investment Programme 2018 – 2021	 Copperopolis Year 2 application and Morriston Regeneration strategic scheme approved by WG panel. 	G	Α	G
	 Swansea Market – procurement of works contractor for toilets and changing places facility about to commence following approval of design. Brief for design and build of central communal area developed for review. FPR7 prepared for review. 	Ŭ		Ŭ
Town Centre Loan Fund	Due diligence reviews underway for several applications. WG have consulted on increasing flexibility terms between property loans and town centre loans and have submitted recommendations to the WG minister.	G	G	G
02. ERDF Priority 4				
Building for the Future	BHS, Orchard House, Albert Hall, all close to approval by WEFO and Welsh Government Panel.	Α	G	G
Kingsway Infrastructure	Regular monitoring ongoing. Re-profile of expenditure profile and business plan due asap. Additional ERDF funding likely to be £1.5m to be confirmed pending submission of revised documentation to WEFO. Delivery period likely to be extended to December 2022. Inception meeting held with evaluation consultants, baseline review underway.	G	G	G
Dyfatty/ Strand	Watching brief on further funding availability. – signs from WEFO that further funding availability is becoming more likely.	Α	Α	А
City Centre additional ERDF 4:4 £1m	Info on Central Phase 1 scheme submitted. WEFO likely to approve an additional £1.5m for Swansea Central and 71/72 the Kingsway. Submission of revised business plan extracts to WEFO due asap.	A	A	Α
Palace Theatre	Acquired by the Council. Ongoing funding discussions.			
		A	G	G
03. Heritage Lottery Fund/Cad	I W			
Morriston Townscape Heritage Initiative (HLF)	Early planning for wider scheme.	G	G	G

External Funding: Tawe Riverside Corridor (Hafod Copperworks)

Programme/ Project	Update	Timescale	Budget	Resource
01. Targeted R	egeneration Investment Programme			
Musgrave Engine House	 Practical completion achieved, snagging works underway. Cadw grant claim prepared for finance review Ground floor infill sections installed Security options post completion are being explored including CCTV options. Insurance cover established and in place for the building 	G	G	G
Weighbridge Office & Porters Lodge	 Programme will run concurrently with the Powerhouse Redevelopment Project. Year Two of TRI budget allocated and approved. Tender of Principal Contractor has now closed. Evaluation process, including tender clarifications has been completed with a Post Tender Negotiation meeting to be held to endeavour to achieve sufficient value engineering to bring the project within budget before progressing to entering into a contract. Conclusion of this exercise to be determined by mid March. Budget escalated to Red for due the tender sum far exceeding the budget, and value engineering pre contract has not resulted in sufficient savings being made, compounded further by the works required to address under ground structures and issues post tender, and yet to be designed. Additional funding will need to be sought – risk raised and discussions underway with Director of Place, NLHF and Penderyn Whisky. 	R	R	G
Vivian Engine House	 Practical completion achieved, snagging works underway. Chamfered corner lime render will have to be applied and completed in spring due to the setting temperature required. V&S plaque to be repaired alongside render work in the Spring. Security options post completion are being explored including CCTV options. Insurance cover established and in place for the building 	G	G	G
Bascule Bridge	Investigation works continue on the Bascule Bridge Structure at Afon Engineering prior to refurbishment. Procurement process underway via the SWWRF for a contractor to complete cofferdam works and works to the timber trusses. Key for this work to be undertaken during April to October 2020. Discussions undertaken with NRW.		А	G
White Rock Site	Smith's Canal – south of the tunnel: Archaeology report received. This will allow further detail to be included in future master planning of the site and funding requirements.		Α	A
Powerhouse Re- development Penderyn/HLF/ SU	Agreement to lease to be signed following March 2020 decision on Penderyn Grant application with WG. CCS Solicitors continue to close off remaining queries on the agreement to lease documents. CCS are unable to drawn down the NLHF grant until the agreement to lease is signed. Tender of Principal Contractor has now closed. Evaluation process, including tender clarifications has been completed with a Post Tender Negotiation meeting to be held to endeavour to achieve sufficient value engineering to bring the project within budget before progressing to entering into a contract. Conclusion of this exercise to be determined by mid March. Budget escalated to Red for due the tender sum far exceeding the budget, and value engineering pre contract has not resulted in sufficient savings being made, compounded further by the works required to address under ground structures and issues post tender, and yet to be designed. Additional funding will need to be sought – risk raised and discussions underway with Director of Place, NLHF and Penderyn Whisky.		R	G
Laboratory Building	There is no current allocated budget to address these surveys and issue, however is currently on 2 grant funding reserve lists.	A	R	А
Hafod/ Morfa canal bridges	 Archaeology report received. Unlikely the existing TRI funding programme can fund the reinstatement of the canal bridges – further consideration 			

Transportati	on & Highways Schemes	Timescales	Budget	Resource
-	on & Highways Schemes	Green	Red	Amber
Progress highlights			-	
Fabian Way Innovation Corridor	Agent likely to accept an offer for the acquisition of the former Morrisey site needed for the link road between Langdon Rd and Baldwins Bridge by the end of the Month.	G	G	G
Mumbles Coastal Protection	 Currently out to tender for detailed design resource – deadline 14th March Multi disciplined consultant to support public realm opportunities. Borehole ground investigations complete. 	A	G	G
South Wales Metro Programme	Resource Regional Transport Directors have instructed Officers to appoint a Consultancy resource to assist Phil John and provide general project management competencies. Rail Business Case The rail commission for the Swansea Bay Metro is now at draft final stage. This will be approved by the Regional Cabinet members in the coming weeks; further studies will then follow to develop these concepts further. The preliminary outputs would seek to provide an additional hourly service from Swansea to London Paddington, as well as a Metro rail service for north Swansea serving Pontarddulais to Swansea via Neath (including new stations). Bus Business Case Work to develop bus elements has commenced and will move to Consultancy backed commission in the next few weeks. A regional bus network of high frequency routes is being developed by the Regional Public Transport managers. A separate commission with Transport for Wales is being developed to bring infrastructure investment to the busiest bus corridors in Swansea.	G	G	G
Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	 EV infrastructure currently being installed at 15 car park sites across the authority. Bids being drafted for 20/21 funding 	G	G	G
Active Travel Programme 19/20	 Additional grant allocated from surplus funds - £2.9m. For delivery by the end of March. Ward Members have been briefed. £1.2m Swansea Central – advance purchase of materials £285k Cockett Rd (Gors Avenue / Broadway) works ongoing £700k A48 link – works ongoing £115k Mumbles / Mayals Rd - works ongoing £205k Loughor Bridge - works ongoing £250k Gors Avenue / Carmarthen Rd – works ongoing. Main grant allocation (£2.8m) – works progress: £450k Kingsbridge – works ongoing £250k Gors Avenue / Carmarthen Rd–works ongoing. Alterations introduced following discussions with Members Townhill Northern Link – Ongoing discussions with Planning to minimise direct impact on ecology (Framework contractors have signed up to a community benefit programme of charitable donations to nearby schools (cycle infrastructure). Investigating additional tree planting programme as part of the wider project delivery 	G	G	A
Broadway Junction Improvements	 Works underway. Minimal disruption to date. Continuing to liaise with local members and college Welsh Water diversions have been omitted. Statutory Undertakers works and speed reduction measures at nearby side street (The Lons) have been progressed in advance of the main works 	G	G	G
Swansea Transport & Parking Strategy	 Quotation has been received from a Framework consultant and is being reviewed prior to commission (w/c 16th March) 	G	А	А
City Centre Parking Strategy	City Centre Parking Strategy and model are complete with scenarios. WSP currently working on work package 3 and 4 (Beach and Foreshore Car Parks) This will be delivered end of March 2020.			

Digital Strategy & Scheme Progression	Timescales	Budget	Resource	
	A	A	R	
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed			
 Joined-up approach to Wi-Fi discussions undertaken linking phase one with city centre and Swansea Market provision. Going out to market shortly. Meeting with Padstone to support their engagement with suppliers The Leader and Cllr Stevens visited RCT community hubs and are receiving further information on their WiFi model City Centre digital strategy underway – core principles included in the FPR7 report to Cabinet – external consultant re-engaged to support in terms of capacity and knowledge. It will still be a Council developed document with external support City Deal Digital Business Case feedback provided. The business case is going to the City Deal Board in January Enquiries around 5G from public lobby groups raising health concerns continues to grow. 	 Procurement re finalised for str 	department will lool		
Key Risks				
 Capacity in Digital Services as only the CTO is currently working on this – engaging a strategic partner would help mitigate this risk 				
 Funding and expected workload for ongoing maintenance of ducting is unknown 				
 Ongoing revenue implications of WiFi were not built into the FPR7 that went to Cabinet 				

Culture & Tourism Strategy/ City Art Strategy & Scheme Progression	Timescales G	Budget A	Resource A
Progress highlights	Actions to be completed		
 Following review of initial proposals for artwork on hoardings artists have been commissioned to develop detailed proposals. Following walking tour outline proposals received from artists for wayfinding, animating buildings and social spaces etc. Meeting with Tracy Evans, Creative Research Manager, Swansea University as part of on-going dialogue with Swansea Uni on complementary project work for digital/VR/AR etc. and 'viewing' projects for the city centre;. 	 Awaiting confirmation of signing off of Planning documen Dialogue with technical specialists on Arena Skin so appropriate commissions/expertise can be sourced within Cultural Services; Initial proposals and ideas from artists to be developed in dialogue with Cultural Services. Detailed proposals including fabrication and installation for bank of images for Oystermouth/southside and northside hoardings. Technical information for Heritage Panels to be determined and included in the arts brief; Continue dialogue with Swansea University regarding digital/VR/AR Meetings with external arts organisations/curators etc to be arranged regarding 'joining the dots.' 		
Key Risks			
 Failure to recruit artists with appropriate expertise 			
 Clarification of budget availability for delivering the ancillary strategy ie. beyond fees for specific elements of hoarding/panels/bridge; 			