



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee – 16 November 2023

## Letter of Representation to Audit Wales

<b>Purpose:</b>	To receive Joint Committee’s formal acknowledgement of the SBCD Section 151 Officer’s Letter of Representation to Audit Wales
<b>Policy Framework:</b>	Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Joint Committee Agreement (JCA)
<b>Recommendation(s):</b>	It is recommended that Joint Committee: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Acknowledge the Letter of Representation from the SBCD Section 151 Officer and the Chair of Joint Committee to Audit Wales</li> </ol>
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### 1. Introduction

1.1 A Letter of Representation from the SBCD Programme’s Section 151 Officer to Audit Wales is a requirement under the current auditing standards.

### 2. Letter of Representation

2.1 In line with the Statement of Auditing Standards (SAS440 – Management Representations), Audit Wales require a Letter of Representation on an annual basis from the SBCD Programme’s Section 151 Officer.

2.2 Audit Wales require that the Joint Committee responsible for approving the Statement of Accounts under regulation 8 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations formally acknowledge this response. The Letter of Representation is attached at Appendix A.

### 3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications within this report.

### 4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.



## **5. Alignment to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**

- 5.1 The SBCD Programme and its constituent projects are closely aligned to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the seven well-being goals for Wales. These alignments are outlined in a Portfolio Business Case for the SBCD, as well as in individual project business cases.

**Background Papers:** None

**Appendices:**

Appendix A: Letter of Representation to Audit Wales