



Swansea Bay City Region Joint Committee - 16 November 2023

Swansea Bay City Deal Quarterly Monitoring Report

Purpose:	To inform Joint Committee of the SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report for both the SBCD Portfolio and its constituent programmes / projects
Policy Framework:	Swansea Bay City Deal (SBCD) Joint Committee Agreement (JCA)
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1. Introduction

- 1.1 SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report for the SBCD Portfolio and its constituent projects provides the Programme (Portfolio) Board with a summary of key activity for the last 3 months and current quarter planned activity.

2. Background

2.1 Annex A: Dashboard Quarterly Monitoring

A summary of all the Quarterly Reporting documentation. It was agreed by Joint Committee that the following components would be included in the initial iteration in quarterly monitoring dashboards:

Item	Theme	Update	Annex
1.	Programme / Project RAG Status	PDM moved from Amber to Green. PAR review completed in Sept / Oct 23, which concluded PDM is mostly green	A / B
2.	Portfolio Delivery Timeline	Minimal change	-
5.	Benefits Realisation	Increase in jobs created from 542 to 550	C

6.	Financial Management	Detailed information is in the Quarterly Financial Monitoring Report	-
9.	Communications & Engagement & Business Engagement	Part of Quarterly Monitoring Report	A/B
10.	Procurement Pipeline	Minimal change. As below table	E
11.	Change Notifications	N/A	-

2.3 Annex B: The SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report is made up of 2 levels with several components

- Portfolio
 - Communications and Marketing
- Programmes / Project
 - Scorecard with status summary
 - Previous quarter achievements and current quarter planned activities
 - Outputs

2.4 Appendix C: Benefits Realisation

The SBCD Benefits Register captures the annualisation of Portfolio benefits for Investment, and Jobs that will be delivered up to 2032/33

Increase in jobs created from 542 to 550 due to increase with Digital Infrastructure and HAPS

2.5 Annex D: Portfolio Gateway 0 Review Action Plan

The SBCD Portfolio Action Plan available in Appendix F has been developed in response to the recommendations made in the Gateway 0 review undertaken in July 2023

The Action Plan is a 'live' document, updated on a monthly basis with the potential to expand the scope of the plan to incorporate other work areas of the PoMO. As such it will be the Portfolio Action Plan and a key operational document for overseeing the timely and effective delivery of the forward work programme of the SBCD PoMO.

2.6 Annex E: Procurement Pipeline

The SBCD has an agreed set of procurement principles that outline the expected approach for its programmes and projects to follow. Achieving the maximum of community benefit and social value are primary considerations of these principles.

This procedure accepts that there is an obligation in the WPPS for the public sector to report community benefits annually for projects over £1m, utilising an acceptable method such as the WG community benefits toolkit. The SBCD procurement principles acknowledge this requirement.

The SBCD Procurement Pipeline details the route of procurement, start and completion date and contract value which covers the design and construction phase of the SBCD Programmes and Projects

The Portfolio in Q2 2023/24 is generally on track with minimal changes from Q1 2023/24. Changes reflect that the projects and programmes are in delivery and maturing their procurement plans with more accurate delivery target from contractors.

Project/programme procurement movement this quarter include:

Table 1

Digital	<p>Connected Places</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement moved by 1Q to Q3/4 2023. <p>Rural Connectivity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design Date moved from Q4 2023 to Q1 2024 • Procurement date moved by 1Q from Q1 2024 to Q2 2024 • New entry - on site now Q4 2024 <p>Next Gen Wireless</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New entry procurement route via grant fund • procurement date moved from Q2 2023 to Q4 2023 • Completion date amended from Q4 2026 to Q4 2025.
Yr Egin 2	<p>Procurement now anticipated Q4 2023</p> <p>Onsite anticipated 2024</p> <p>Completion anticipated 2024</p>
SILCG	No change
Skills and Talent	No change
HAPS	Financial Incentive Fund Launched
PDM	<p>PDZ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Scoping amended to Q2 2023 • Offshore scoping held pending updated funding. <p>META</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Surveys amended to Q3 2022 from 2023
Swansea Waterfront	<p>Innovation Precinct (predicted)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurement moved to Q1 2024 from Q4 2023 • Onsite moved to Q2 2024 from Q1 2024 • Completion moved to Q2 2025 from Q1 2025

3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report. Portfolio financial monitoring will be reported separately through the Accountable Body.

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 Portfolio 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: Dashboard Quarterly Monitoring
- Appendix B: SBCD Quarterly Monitoring Report
- Appendix C: Benefits Realisation
- Appendix D: Portfolio Gateway 0 Action Plan
- Appendix E: Procurement Pipeline