

## Cardiff Capital Region City Deal Register of Regional Cabinet Decisions: 9 March 2020

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RC/20/01	4	<p><b>2019/20 Month 10 Joint Committee Revenue Budget Monitoring Position</b></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet authorised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the actual expenditure, income and projected full year out-turn position as at 31 January 2020 (Month 10) against its approved 2019/20 Revenue Budget.</li> </ul>	To provide the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Committee (Regional Cabinet) with details of actual expenditure, income and the projected full year outturn position as at the 31st January 2020 (Month 10), against its approved 2019/20 Joint Committee Revenue Budget.		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	Accountable Body Section 151 Officer
RC/20/02	5	<p><b>2019/20 Annual Business Plan Quarter 3 Performance Report</b></p> <p><i>Appendix 5 to this report is exempt from publication because it contains information of the kind described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the</i></p>	1. To inform key stakeholders, principally, Regional Cabinet and also, Wales and UK Governments of the Quarter 3 reporting position against the 2019/20 City Deal Business Plan, thus discharging the reporting requirements of		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	CCR Director

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		<p><i>circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <p>a) noted the overall progress at Quarter 3 2019/20, including the budget position reported at Appendix;</p> <p>b) considered and approved the Quarter 3 performance report and authorise the Director of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal to formally submit the report, including supporting information to both UK and Welsh Governments, and other stakeholders as required, on behalf of the Regional Cabinet;</p> <p>c) approved that Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council becomes the lead for scrutiny</p>	<p>the Assurance Framework and providing a comprehensive overview of progress.</p> <p>2. To provide regional Cabinet with an update of actual expenditure as at Quarter 3 against the approved Wider Investment Fund budgets as set out in the Annual Business Plan for the financial year 2019/20.</p> <p>3. To recommend that Regional Cabinet approve the Quarter 3 report, in order for formal submission to government partners.</p> <p>4. To provide an update on arrangements for provision of Scrutiny support</p>						

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		<p>support and administration of the CCR Scrutiny Committee for a two year period at a cost of £25,000 per annum to be met from the City Deal office budget;</p> <p>d) noted the change in regards to Investment Panel and the Chief Executive of Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council now becoming a member;</p> <p>e) noted the Forward Planner contained at Appendix 6.</p>	<p>services in 2020/21, in conjunction with a forward meeting planner for Cabinet and its partnerships in 2020/21.</p> <p>5. To advise Regional Cabinet that the Chief Executive of Rhondda Cynon Taf Council will now replace the Chief Executive of the Vale of Glamorgan Council as a representative on Investment Panel.</p> <p>6. To note the continued changes to the format, structure and shape of the report, in order to provide a 'balanced scorecard' approach relevant to the performance targets set –</p>						

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			and their dates for completion/ achievement – as set out in Annual Business Plan.						
RC/20/03	6	<p><b>Investment Framework Reports &amp; Recommendations of Investment Panel</b></p> <p>a) <u>CCR Future Ready Skills Framework and Full Business Case for Scaling up the Graduate Scheme</u></p> <p><i>Appendix 4 to this report is exempt from publication because it contains information of the kind described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p>	<p>1. To recommend to Regional Cabinet the 'Future Ready' Skills Framework with which to overarch and co-ordinate the development of all skills, learning and talent development activity for the City Deal. This framework has been informed by Nesta work commissioned and undertaken in 2019 and provides a basis against which to both develop and assess, all skills related proposals seeking backing through the CCR City Deal.</p>		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	CCR Director

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		<p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <p>a) noted and approved the proposed CCR City Deal Future Ready Skills Framework;</p> <p>b) approved the recommendations of Investment Panel, as endorsed by both Regional Economic Growth Partnership and Programme Board, to agree the Full Business Case for scale-up of the CCR Graduate Scheme, subject to the suggestions set out above regarding review points, progressing the digital platform and new opportunities to drive ambition as well as leverage the expertise of the REGP in driving this forward;</p> <p>c) approved costs of £1.538m over a four year period commencing April 2020 in respect of</p>	<p>2. Within the context of this Future Ready Skills Framework, to present the Full Business Case for the scaling up and roll-out of a full programme for the CCR Graduate Scheme, as requested by Regional Cabinet at its meeting on 18 December 2019. To convey the recommendations of Investment Panel in this regard – and as endorsed by Programme Board and the Regional Economic Growth Partnership.</p>						

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		<p>this proposal which relate to establishing an expanded team structure and investment in key areas which reflect the evidence based findings of the Nesta review and ensure the scheme will be fit for future. This will be funded via the revenue component of the Wider Investment Fund;</p> <p>d) noted the potential outcomes associated with scaling-up the Graduate Scheme in respect of job placements, private leverage and other added value benefits;</p> <p>e) agreed to receive future reports in respect of the Future Ready Skills Framework in relation to a Shared Apprenticeship Scheme and a programme to co-ordinate and align schools-based Learner-Employer interaction;</p>							

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		f) agreed to receive annual reports via the Investment Panel in relation to monitoring and evaluation.							
		<p>b) <u>Homes for all the Region – Full Business Case For a CCR Housing Investment Fund</u></p> <p><i>Appendices 1a, 1b, 2 and 3 to this report are exempt from publication because they contain information of the kind described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p>	<p>1. To seek Regional Cabinet's formal approval to establish a Housing Investment Fund entitled 'Homes for all the Region' via endorsement of a Full Business Case (FBC).</p> <p>2. To set out details of how the £45M Housing Investment Fund will be structured, operated and the associated timescales in respect of the Fund's two proposed inter-connected sub-funds – £35M Viability Gap Fund and a £10M SME Finance Fund.</p>		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	CCR Director

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		<p>a) approve 'Homes for the Region' and the FBC for the establishment and operation of a CCR Housing Investment Fund, which shall be structured in two parts: a Viability Gap Fund and a SME Finance Fund (in accordance with the terms of the FBC);</p> <p>b) approved, on account of the evidence presented in the FBC, increasing the fund envelope to £45M (£30M CCR and £15M WG) noting the potential to seek further co-investment as the scheme progresses;</p> <p>c) in respect of the principal Viability Gap Fund, approved the set-up of a £35M capital housing fund, along with the revenue resources as set-out in Confidential</p>	<p>3. To set out the next steps and timescales, including the necessary delegations required, in order to operationalise the two sub-funds</p>						



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		<p>Appendix 3 to facilitate scheme operationalisation through a third party technical panel and co-ordinator and for which procurement is currently underway and to provide match funding to support to Local Authorities through Phase A and Phase B stages of the process (as detailed in the FBC);</p> <p>d) noted the timescales in respect of fund launches and the process that will need to be concluded to operationalise the fund, with the proposed prioritised list of sites being brought back to Regional Cabinet for consideration and approval;</p> <p>e) approved the decision to nominate Cardiff</p>							

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		<p>Council as the Accountable Body for the Fund and, if approved, delegate authority to the City Deal Director (in consultation with the Chair/Vice Chairs of the Regional Cabinet, the Section 151 Officer and Monitoring Officer for the CCR Regional Cabinet) to put in place a suitable 'back-to-back' funding agreement (principally in the form of the Overarching Funding Agreement agreed for the IIF) to recognise that Cardiff Council is acting for and on behalf of itself and the other LA partners and shall not assume any additional liability or be placed in any worse position by virtue of accepting this role (noting point (f) below); and approve entry by</p>							

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		<p>the Councils into such agreement;</p> <p>f) noted that details of the final Welsh Government Funding Terms &amp; Conditions are yet to be received and agree to delegate authority to the City Deal Director in consultation with the Chair/Vice Chairs of the CCR Regional Cabinet, the Joint Committee's Section 151 and Monitoring Officers to review and accept these, in conjunction with these being acceptable to Cardiff Council;</p> <p>g) noted that appropriate monitoring and evaluation arrangements will be put in place, which amongst other matters will include annual reports to Regional Cabinet, through the advice/</p>							

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		<p>auspices of Investment Panel;</p> <p>h) in respect of the SME Finance Fund:</p> <p>I. approved a £10M capital fund along with revenue resources as set-out in Confidential Appendix 3 (in respect of Recommendation h) below);</p> <p>II. agreed to delegate authority to the City Deal Director in consultation with the Chair/Vice Chairs of the CCR Regional Cabinet, the Section 151 and Monitoring Officers of the CCR Regional Cabinet to commence the detailed preparation for the commissioning</p>							

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		of a FCA Regulated Fund Manager and once complete, the final stages of the SME Finance Fund business case can be concluded and reported back to Regional Cabinet for consideration and approval.							
		<p>c) <u>Cardiff Capital Region Digital Infrastructure Framework and Strategic Outline Cases for Fibre Provision Programme &amp; Wales 5G Programme</u></p> <p><i>Appendices 2 (Strategic Outline Case – Full Fibre), 3 (Full Fibre Plan) 4 (Investment Panel Log) &amp; 5 (Strategic Outline Case – Wales 5G) to this report are exempt from publication because they contain information of the kind described in</i></p>	1. To seek approval of the proposed CCR Digital Infrastructure Framework which overarches activities and interventions in the digital infrastructure space, showing their fit and contribution to the region-wide digital connectivity needed to optimise economic growth.		09/09/20	03/04/20		Cllr Peter Fox and Paul Matthews declared an interest in respect of Item 6c as officers of Monmouthshire CC.	CCR Director

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		<p><i>paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <p>(1) approved the Digital Infrastructure Framework drawn up as a means of positioning and aligning priority digital interventions and activities required in the Cardiff Capital Region;</p> <p>(2) endorsed the recommendation of Investment Panel that the Strategic Outline Case for the Fibre to the</p>	<p>2. To seek approval, on recommendation of Investment Panel, of the Strategic Outline Case for the Full Fibre Programme to 330,000 premises in core CCR towns and settlements. To make the case for the release of £35k to begin the process of early business case development and the first phase of due diligence.</p> <p>3. To seek approval, on recommendation of Investment Panel, of the Strategic Outline Case for the consortium-wide Wales 5G Programme proposal which is backed by an approved £5m</p>						

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		<p>Premise proposal is approved and £35,000 of funds from the Programme Development Budget is released to support early stage due diligence;</p> <p>(3) endorsed the recommendation of Investment Panel that the Strategic Outline Case for the Wales 5G Programme and release of up to £150k of funds from WIF Top Slice to advance and shape the proposal and fully secure and leverage the DCMS and partner investment potential of £31m;</p> <p>(4) noted and supported the ongoing discussions with Welsh Government regarding collaboration;</p> <p>(5) noted the compatibility of other related</p>	<p>grant from DCMS, matched by £5m private sector contributions for the Rural Connected Communities (RCC) project component. To work with WG, other public, private and HE partners to build upon the RCC project and scale into 5G Wales – a wider programme which has the potential to impact the whole of the Cardiff Capital Region. In order to progress this, an up-front funding contribution of up to £150k is required of CCR to shape the delivery and legal structures and mobilise the resources and expertise to give the wider</p>						

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		<p>proposals which are currently in the very early stages of the Investment Framework process;</p> <p>(6) noted and supported the current position of the LFFN DCMS project.</p>	<p>programme the best chance of success.</p> <p>4. To note and support the ongoing discussions with Welsh Government regarding co-investment in innovative digital infrastructure provision.</p> <p>5. To note the other digital infrastructure proposals which have entered the Investment Framework, which are fully integrated into the Digital Infrastructure Framework and will be brought forward as part of this plan in due course. Included in which is the DCMS Local Full Fibre Network (LFFN) project which</p>						



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			was reported to Regional cabinet in July 2019.						
		<p>d) <u>Strategic Framework for Medical Devices and Diagnostics and Strategic Outline Case for Life Sciences Park, Lower Taf Valley</u></p> <p><i>Appendices 2 and 3 to this report are exempt from publication because they contain information of the kind described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p>	<p>1. To set out a Strategic Framework for the development of a Medical Devices and Diagnostics Cluster in the Cardiff Capital Region, consistent with the 'Analysis of Priority Sectors' Report 2019, which identified the sector as having significant growth potential. The framework is aligned to the Expression of Interest made to UKRI's Strength in Places Fund in September 2019 for CCR Med-tech and sets out the conditions needed to make CCR</p>		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	CCR Director

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		<p>a) noted and endorsed the Strategic Framework for Medical Devices and Diagnostics which provides context to, and a set of priorities against which to position future interventions and investment proposals; and,</p> <p>b) approved the recommendation made by Investment Panel that the Strategic Outline Case is approved and £30,000 released from the Programme Development Budget to support the immediate commissioning of demand analysis/ initial due diligence</p> <p>c) approved to receive a further report, setting out findings and any proposed next steps of the business case development process, once Investment Panel has</p>	<p>internationally significant in this regard and provides context against which to establish and align future interventions and proposals.</p> <p>2. One such proposal recently received into the CCR Investment Framework and which has been subjected to the detail initial scrutiny of Investment Panel is from a Cardiff-based private property developer. The proposal seeks a Joint Venture approach to developing a Life Sciences Park at Junction 32, Coryton/ Lower Taf Valley. This report summarises a Strategic Outline Case to</p>						

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		had opportunity to consider output.	progress thinking and early stage development of the proposal.						
		<p>e) <u>Metro Central – Technical Works Report</u></p> <p><i>Appendices 2 (Weston Williamson Report), 3 (Outline Business Case) and 4 (Letters of funding Commitment) to this report are exempt from publication because they contain information of the kind described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of parts 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.</i></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To provide an update on the Metro Central project and to set out the ask of the scheme promoters, Welsh Government and Transport for Wales, for up to £4m funding contribution towards the c£10m cost of completing essential design specification and technical requirements, which will inform and shape a programme-level Full Business Case.</li> </ul>		09/09/20	03/04/20		None declared.	CCR Director

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• advances the Metro Central programme in line with core City Deal Requirements, Investment Panel has considered it necessary to seek Cabinet approval of up to £4m of City Deal funding towards the c£10m cost (to be confirmed through a full procurement exercise) of finalising design work and technical specifications (through statutory GRIP and WeITAG processes) for the project established in the January 2018 report and needed to inform the Full Business Case, subject to the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the revised governance arrangements, as outlined above and inclusion of the CCRD Director as a member of the Metro Central</li> </ul> </li> </ul>							

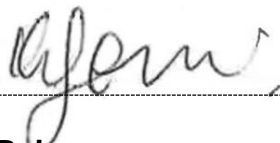
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		<p>Delivery Partnership;</p> <p>b) the commissioning by the scheme proposers, Transport for Wales and Welsh Government of a programme-level Full Business Case that responds in full to City Deal Requirements;</p> <p>c) full consideration of the programme contribution to the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal project objectives of jobs created, GVA uplift and private sector leverage and returns on investment;</p> <p>d) receipt of bi-annual updates from the MCDP to the Regional Transport Authority and Investment Panel in respect of costs,</p>							

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		procurement processes, delivery updates and periodic progress with programme development as a whole. This should include all finalisation of GRIP and WeITAG processes.							

Approved for publication



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