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CAB/19/30	2	Declarations of Interest	Kellie Beirne declared an interest and advised she has been offered a non-executive position as UKRI board member on one of its constituent bodies – Research England.		19/12/19	20/12/19			Accountable Body Solicitor
CAB/19/31	4	2019/20 Month 08 Joint Committee Revenue Budget Monitoring Position It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet authorised: 1. The actual expenditure, income and projected full year out-turn position as at 30 November 2019 (Month 08) against its approved 2019/20 Revenue Budget.	1. 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 30 th November 2019 (Month 08), against its approved 2019/20 Joint Committee Revenue Budget		19/12/19	20/12/19			Accountable Body Section 151 Officer
CAB/19/32	5	2019-20 Annual Business Plan - Quarter 2 Performance Report It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet: 1. noted the overall progress at Quarter 2 2019/20 including the	1. To inform key stakeholders, principally, Regional Cabinet and also, Wales and UK Governments of the Quarter 2 reporting position against the 2019/20 City Deal Business Plan, thus discharging the		19/12/19	20/12/19			CCR Director

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		<p>budget position reported at Appendix 5;</p> <p>2. considered and approved the Quarter 2 performance report;</p> <p>3. authorised the Director of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal to formally submit the Quarter 2 performance report, including supporting information to both UK and Welsh Governments, and other stakeholders as required, on behalf of the Regional Cabinet.</p>	<p>reporting requirements of 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 2 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 2 report, in order for formal submission to government partners.</p> <p>4. 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 – and their dates for completion/</p>						

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			achievement – as set out in Annual Business Plan.						
CAB/19/33	6	<p>The Wider Investment Fund - Annual Business Plan 2020/21</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. endorse and approve the Annual Business Plan 2020/21 and 2. note the self-assessment and the principle of ongoing self-evaluation ahead of gateway 1. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For Regional Cabinet to consider and approve its 2020/21 Annual Business Plan in respect of the effective operation of its Wider Investment Fund. 2. To provide Regional Cabinet with a comprehensive and detailed account of proposed Business Plan activity in 2019/20, related to the use and application of the Wider Investment Fund. 3. In the run-up to Gateway 1, to demonstrate impact in line with Gateway Review objectives through the inclusion of a draft self-assessment covering the period October 2018-October 2019. 		19/12/19	23/12/19			CCR Director
CAB/19/34	7	Proposed 2020/21 Joint Committee Revenue Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To provide Regional Cabinet with details of the proposed 		19/12/19	23/12/19			Accountable Body Section 151 Officer

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		<p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the Joint Committee costs set out in Table 1 of this report and amounting to £1,690,431; 2. the proposed 2020/21 Annual Budget of £1,104,817, funded by partner contributions as outlined in this report, to meet part of the Joint Committee costs and which represent an increase of 1.42% against the previous year's budget; and 3. that the balance (£585,614) of the Joint Committee costs be met from the Cardiff Capital Region Wider Investment Fund (namely that part of the HMT contributions referred to in this report as the 'WIF Top-Slice'). 	2020/21 Joint Committee Revenue Budget and indicative budgets to 2024/25, to assist with Medium Term Financial Planning.						
CAB/19/35	8	Investment Panel Recommendations to Regional Cabinet	1. To seek approval of the recommendations made by Investment		19/12/19	23/12/19			CCR Director

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		<p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. notes the Recommendation logs from the meetings of Investment Panel on 19 November 2019 and 11 December 2019, respectively; 2. approves the recommendations made by the Investment Panel (set out in full in the 19 November Recommendation Log at Appendix 1) in respect of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. All of the Stage 1a proposals which are now at entry stage of the Investment Framework; ii. The CS Connected Project and City Deal co-investment of £50,000 in hosting the CS Connected Team in partnership with WG and CS Connected Members - noting and approving the 	<p>Panel at its meetings on 19 November and 11 December in respect of the projects and proposals contained within this report.</p>						

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		<p>attached conditions; and,</p> <p>iii. The CS Connected proposed land acquisition and the £40,000 cost of technical due diligence relating to the site and services and power supply – noting and approving the attached conditions;</p> <p>3. approves the recommendations made by the Investment Panel (set out in full in the 11 December Recommendation Log at Appendix 2) in respect of:</p> <p>i. All of the Stage 1a proposals which are now at the entry stage of the Investment Framework as well as those deemed unsuitable at this time;</p> <p>ii. The principle of establishing a Local Wealth Building (foundational economy) Challenge Fund a</p>							

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		<p>full proposal which should now be shaped and developed, in accordance with expert advice and endorsement of HMT in respect of any changes to funding terms and conditions;</p> <p>iii. Notes the status update on the Investment and Intervention Framework Pipeline – set out in Appendix 3;</p> <p>iv. The Housing Investment Fund OBC (Appendix 4i) and the proposed conditions attached in the Recommendation Log (Appendix 2);</p> <p>4. notes the following items in relation to the Housing Investment Fund:</p> <p>i. The need to participate in a political leaders workshop in January to consider key issues in order</p>							

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		<p>to finally inform the Full Business Case for the Housing Investment Fund to be received in the New Year which establishes the principal Viability Gap fund and feasibility of a second SME Fund; the key priority sites, criteria and assessment process and a full and final state aid position;</p> <p>ii. The need to seek an urgent meeting with WG to confirm the final funding position in respect of its contributions and funding T&Cs;</p> <p>5. further approves the following items in relation to the Housing Investment Fund:</p> <p>iii. the FBC cost envelope of up to £75,000;</p> <p>iv. to increase CCR funding contribution from £15m to up to £30m to scale impact;</p>							

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		6. notes the early progress made in respect of the first Metro Plus schemes and the outline approvals awarded to Cardiff and RCT by the Regional Transport Authority's exercising of delegated powers at its meeting on 28 November 2019.							
CAB/19/36	9	<p>Strength in Places Fund – Wave 2 Eoi Submission Medical Devices And Diagnostics</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> noted the EOI submitted to UKRI's Strength in Places Fund by industry lead Creo Medical Group Ltd which cites CCR as a consortium partner; noted the support awarded to the Fintech SEW and Clwster submissions – both of which reflect core priority sectors for the Cardiff Capital Region 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To inform Regional Cabinet, that further to the report of 15 July 2019 'Strength in Places Fund Wave 2' – a full Expression of Interest (EOI) was submitted to UK Research and Innovation in October 2019 with Cardiff Capital Region City Deal as a stated consortium partner. This report provides a brief summary of the EOI, sets out next steps and provides an update on wider work to facilitate the creation of a Medtech Devices and Diagnostics Cluster in the Cardiff Capital Region. 		19/12/19	23/12/19			CCR Director

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		3. agreed to receive a further report on next steps post June 1 2020, when notifications are expected from UKRI.	2. To inform Regional Cabinet of two other EOIs into the fund from Clwstwr (Creative Industries) and Fintech Wales from within the Cardiff Capital Region. Both have received letters of in principle partnership support in endorsement of their submissions.						
CAB/19/37	10	<p>CCR Energy Vision and Delivery Approach - Early Work</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <p>1. noted the Energy Vision and the next steps of the process regarding stakeholder engagement, economic modelling and the development of the plan; and</p> <p>2. noted the final outcomes of this work along with a fully costed plan to support and co-ordinate delivery and implementation will be</p>	<p>1. There is a strong consensus across the Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) that a huge transformation is needed in the way in which energy is generated, transported and utilised. This shift is needed in behavioural change; commercial and industrial operating models and in the way we educate, learn and challenge.</p> <p>2. The Welsh Government Energy Service (WGES) is offering each region, a support package up</p>		19/12/19	23/12/19		CCR Chief Operating Officer	

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		reported to the Regional Cabinet.	<p>until March 2020. This will help shape a regional energy vision with key stakeholders and consider future scenarios around which to inform and develop action plans. The ambition is that Regional Energy Plans outline a long-term plan for whole-energy system decarbonisation.</p> <p>3. This report presents a draft vision for CCR. In recognising the limitations of the jurisdictions covered by the CCR City Deal Joint Working Agreement, it is suggested that this report is noted and endorsed with key activities to catalyse low carbon delivery that may require CCRCD support, being brought through the Investment Framework for appropriate decision-making at the relevant time.</p>						
CAB/19/38	11	CCR Pilot Graduate Scheme Update	1. To provide Regional Cabinet with an		19/12/19	23/12/19			CCR Director

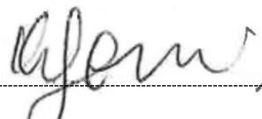
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		<p>It was RESOLVED that the Cardiff Capital Region Joint Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. noted the progress, lessons learned and interim evaluation gauged from the first 8 months of the initial pilot period; 2. approved a continuation period, up until the end of April 2021 in order to deliver fully on the benefits and target outcomes set out in this report and allow the better alignment of timescales, objectives and opportunities; 3. approve the revenue funding envelope of an additional £161,000 in 2020-21 for the costs associated with the continuation period, which will be met from the CCR City Deal Wider Investment Fund; and 4. agreed to receive a full scheme evaluation including a clear exit strategy ahead of 	<p>evaluation of the Graduate Scheme at month 8 of operation, and;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. To request a 12 month continuation in the light of lessons learned and the need to align the graduate cycle with the business cycle to properly develop opportunities and further investment. This will enable the conclusion of the first year pilot, with a roll-on to the additional 12 month period, allowing the transition to be seamless and efficient and for the staff, resources and opportunities to be retained and delivered. 						

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		Gateway Review in April 2021.							

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