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UPDATED REGIONAL CABINET PORTFOLIOS 2020/2021

REPORT OF CCR CITY DEAL DIRECTOR

AGENDA ITEM 9

Reason for this Report

1. To update the Regional Cabinet Portfolios consistent with the Investment and Intervention Framework; and, with recent changes to the composition and make-up of Regional Cabinet and the election of a new Chair, to ensure all key portfolio areas have a named Cabinet Lead and a clear set of stated responsibilities.

Background

2. The Investment and Intervention Framework (IIF) was approved by Cabinet on 10 June 2019. One of the elements of this report, in supporting the effective delivery of the framework and deployment of the Wider Investment Fund in line with key strategic priorities, was the agreement of revised Cabinet Portfolio areas. Portfolio leads have been serving across a set of themes and topics, consistent with CCR Industrial and Economic Growth Plan since the IIF was approved in June 2019. Now, with more recent changes to the composition of Regional Cabinet and, the election of a new Chair at the AGM in May 2020 it is time to refresh arrangements and ensure continued fitness for purpose.
3. The roles are in place to provide enhanced accountability for proposals and projects developed through the Investment and Intervention Framework, to provide a figurehead and ambassador for wider awareness purposes and to work with the Chair and Regional Director to ensure that delegated decisions are made in appropriate ways and in keeping with the principles of good governance. In light of recent discussions the Cabinet portfolios have altered slightly and are set out below.
4. Following a process of Expressions of Interests to the Chair, Cllr Anthony Hunt, the following portfolio holders are confirmed as below. It should be noted that two new briefs have been introduced. This means the previously held joint brief around Communications and Engagement now sits with the Chair, with a new portfolio for Technology and 5G and another to reflect the growing priority and body of work around 'TRI' – town regeneration. This helps better reflect work across CCR and Welsh Government and ensures all Members hold briefs that are best aligned to their interests and knowledge-strengths.

- i. Resources, Assurance and Local Evaluation – Councillor Anthony Hunt
- ii. Housing and Clean Growth – Councillor Andrew Morgan
- iii. Planning and the Strategic Development Plan – Councillor Neil Moore
- iv. Learning, Skills and Talent – Councillor Jane Mudd
- v. Innovation, Research and Business – Councillor Peter Fox
- vi. Economic Strategy, Cities and Internationalisation – Councillor Huw Thomas
- vii. Transport and Infrastructure – Councillor Huw David
- viii. Town and Physical Regeneration – Councillor Kevin O’Neil
- ix. Technology and 5G – Councillor Nigel Daniels
- x. Inclusive Growth & Foundational Economy– Councillor Philippa Marsden

Reasons for Recommendations

- 5. To ensure there are clear lines of responsibility, key figureheads and reinforcement of good governance around the operation of the Investment and Intervention Framework, it has been necessary to revise the Cabinet Portfolio positions. This report recommends that the above Leaders and Regional Cabinet Members are confirmed in the revised roles

Financial Implications

- 6. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 7. Under the terms of the JWA, no individual Member has decision-making authority. Formal decisions are made at meetings of the Regional Cabinet or pursuant to a delegation to an Officer. It is understood the recommendation in this report, to change the portfolio arrangements, does not alter this. It is further understood, the revision to the portfolio arrangements is not a substantive amendment to the JWA and therefore within Regional Cabinet’s remit to agree, if Cabinet wish to do so.

Well-being of Future Generations

- 8. In developing the Plan and in considering its endorsement regard should be had, amongst other matters, to:
 - a) the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and the Welsh Language Standards;
 - b) public sector duties under the Equalities Act 2010 (including specific Welsh public sector duties). Pursuant to these legal duties Councils must in making decisions have due regard to the need to (1) eliminate unlawful discrimination, (2) advance equality of opportunity and (3) foster good relations on the basis of protected characteristics. Protected characteristics are: a. age; b. gender reassignment; c. sex; d. race – including ethnic or national origin, colour or nationality; e. disability; f. pregnancy and maternity; g. marriage and civil partnership; h. sexual orientation; i. religion or belief – including lack of belief, and;
 - c) the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (‘the Act’) is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. The Act places a ‘well-being duty’ on public bodies aimed at achieving 7 national well-being goals for Wales - a Wales

that is prosperous, resilient, healthier, more equal, has cohesive communities, a vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language and is globally responsible. In discharging their respective duties under the Act, each public body listed in the Act (which includes the Councils comprising the CCRCD) must set and published wellbeing objectives. These objectives will show how each public body will work to achieve the vision for Wales set out in the national wellbeing goals. When exercising its functions, the Regional Cabinet should consider how the proposed decision will contribute towards meeting the wellbeing objectives set by each Council and in so doing achieve the national wellbeing goals. The wellbeing duty also requires the Councils to act in accordance with a 'sustainable development principle'. This principle requires the Councils to act in a way which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Put simply, this means that Regional Cabinet must take account of the impact of their decisions on people living their lives in Wales in the future. In doing so, Regional Cabinet must:

- look to the long term;
- focus on prevention by understanding the root causes of problems;
- deliver an integrated approach to achieving the 7 national well-being goals;
- work in collaboration with others to find shared sustainable solutions;
- involve people from all sections of the community in the decisions which affect them.

9. Regional Cabinet must be satisfied that the proposed decision accords with the principles above. To assist Regional Cabinet to consider the duties under the Act in respect of the decision sought, an assessment has been undertaken, which is attached at Appendix 2.

RECOMMENDATION

10. It is recommended that the Cardiff Capital Region Regional Cabinet:-

- a) Notes and endorses the Lead Cabinet Portfolio holders as set out in this report.

Kellie Beirne
Cardiff Capital Region City Deal Director
15 June 2020

Appendices

- Appendix 1 Regional Cabinet Portfolio Briefs 2020/21
Appendix 2 Well-being of Future Generations Assessment

CCR Confirmed Regional Cabinet Portfolios – 2020/2021

Portfolio	Leader	Content	City Deal Team Lead
Resources, Assurance and Local Evaluation	Cllr Anthony Hunt – as Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaison with UK and Wales Govts • Gateway Review • Local Evaluation Framework • Joint committee governance/ JWA • Delegations • 5 year business plan • Annual business plan • Scrutiny • Fiscal levers • Risk • Audit/assurance • Communications, Engagement & Marketing 	Hrjinder Singh Rob O'Dwyer Kellie Beirne Suzanne Chesterton
Housing and Clean Growth	Cllr Andrew Morgan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sites and Premises • Housing Investment Fund • TRI • Low carbon future • Climate change • LEV & EV • Energy mission and net zero carbon 	Hrjinder Singh and Kellie Beirne
Learning, Skills and Talent	Cllr Jane Mudd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Skills Partnership • Skills for Future • GW4 • HE and FE engagement • Curriculum change • Employability and welfare to work • Graduate scheme 	Nicola Somerville

Portfolio	Leader	Content	City Deal Team Lead
Strategic Planning	Cllr Neil Moore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Planning & land-use policy • SDP • National Development Framework • National Infrastructure Commission • Strategic sites • Environmental impact/ sustainable development 	Kellie Beirne
Innovation, Research and Business	Cllr Peter Fox	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research & HEIs • Innovation and R&D programmes • Sectors and clusters • Business engagement • Business Council and REGP • Digital economy • Cluster programmes • Challenge • CSC Foundry Ltd 	Rhys Thomas Rob O'Dwyer Jon Wood
Economic Strategy, Cities and Internationalisation	Cllr Huw Thomas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial Growth Plan • Sectors analysis & data/ AI • Business Council and REGP • Expert panels • UKRI/ WG strategy • Core Cities • Internationalisation • Investment prospectus • Western Gateway 	Rhys Thomas Jon Wood
Transport and Infrastructure	Cllr Huw David	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Transport Authority • Digital connectivity • Sustainable transport • Active travel • Air quality 	Kellie Beirne Clare Cameron Joanne Evans

Portfolio	Leader	Content	City Deal Team Lead
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment • Transport Plan • Joint Transport Authority 	
TRI – Town Centre and Physical Regeneration	Cllr Kevin O'Neill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRI programme • Retail centres • Tourism • Physical regeneration • Town initiatives • Local regeneration partnerships 	Nicola Somerville
Technology-led Growth and 5G	Cllr Nigel Daniels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5G • Digital towns • Low emissions technology • Battery capacity & hydrogen • Tech Valleys • Technology Wales 	
Inclusive Growth & Foundational Economy	Cllr Philippa Marsden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundational economy • Wellbeing of Future Generations • Place based strategies • Economic inclusion • Anti-poverty • Valleys Regional Park • Valleys Taskforce • Mutuals/ co-ops • Shared prosperity 	Nicola Somerville Kellie Beirne

Future Generations Assessment

Name of the Officer completing the evaluation: Kellie Beirne Phone no: 07826 919286 E-mail: kellie.beirne@cardiff.gov.uk	Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal With the election of a new chair there is a requirement to revise cabinet portfolio briefs and areas of responsibility
Proposal: Cabinet Portfolios	Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed: 8 June 2020

1. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	The proposals ensure clear areas of responsibility around priority areas including economic growth and shared prosperity	Cabinet members receive information, take part in discussions and have access to all relevant data and insights to support delivery of their briefs
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	As above	CCR – all publications have now been published and are available to public setting out relevant commitments and with Resilience being one of them
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	Wellbeing is set out as a central theme and is also contained within specific brief	

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	The priority seeks to make a direct contribution to local wealth building, in order to support key local foundational economies and this is a discrete portfolio area	
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	As above.	
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	N/A	
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	The new priority set is about levelling across the region and ensuring a balance across interventions that will support the wider region and those which will be locally specific.	

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritized the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	This provides medium term leadership focus to the core cabinet committee	This will be under constant review.

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p> <p><small>Collaboration</small></p>	Each cabinet portfolio has a priority set which will require a wide range of involvement and interaction across stakeholders, groups, business organisations and other partners	This is linked to formal committees as well as informal committees and groups
 <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p> <p><small>Involvement</small></p>	Open meetings and processes for schemes such as challenge calls and all underpinned by an open process for submitting proposals into the investment framework	Live streaming of public meetings
 <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p> <p><small>Prevention</small></p>	N/A	
 <p>Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies</p> <p><small>Integration</small></p>	The proposal seeks to ensure that all briefs are covered and all cabinet members are able to conduct their portfolio areas with optimal effectiveness	

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	The process for choosing cabinet briefs has been an open and transparent one		Monitoring data and evidence required as part of IIF monitoring and evaluation
Disability	As above	As above	
Gender reassignment	As above	As above	
Marriage or civil partnership	As above	As above	

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Pregnancy or maternity	As above	As above	
Race	As above	As above	
Religion or Belief	As above	As above	
Sex	As above	As above	
Sexual Orientation	As above	As above	
Welsh Language	As above	As above	

4. Safeguarding & Corporate Parenting. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities?

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	Not directly relevant –however, building the future economy should have a profoundly positive impact on ability to safeguard the future of our residents		
Corporate Parenting	Not directly relevant – however building strength in the economy should create opportunities for all of the young people entrusted in our care and makes a direct contribution to wellbeing.		

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

- IIF data
- Previous reports on same subject

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

As above, the main implications will be in the delivery of this work.

7. MONITORING: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:

Quarterly via the IIF reports to Cabinet and quarterly performance – AGM 2021.