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RC/2021/01	4	<p><b>2020/21 Month 10 Joint Committee Revenue Budget Monitoring Position</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <p>1. noted the actual expenditure, income and projected full year out-turn position as at the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021 (Month 10), against its approved 2020/21 Revenue Budget</p>	<p>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 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021 (Month 10), against its approved 2020/21 Joint Committee Revenue Budget</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21			CCR Section 151 Officer
RC/2021/02	5	<p><b>2020/21 Annual Business Plan - Quarter 3 Performance Report</b></p> <p><i>Appendix 4 is exempt from publication because it contains such information as described in paragraphs 14 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person) and 21 (public interest test) of sections 4 and 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and in all the circumstances of the case the public interest</i></p>	<p>1. To inform key stakeholders, principally, Regional Cabinet and also Wales and UK Governments of the Quarter 3 reporting position against the 2020/21 City Deal Business Plan, thus discharging the reporting requirements of the Assurance Framework in</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21			CCR Director

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		<p><i>in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information</i></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. noted the overall progress at Quarter 3 2020/21 including the budget position reported at Appendix 2;</li> <li>2. 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;</li> <li>3. noted the illustrative 'Highlight Report' attached at Appendix 8, which will form the basis of Programme Monitoring from 2021-22 onwards.</li> </ol>	<p>relation to performance reporting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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 2020/21</li> <li>3. To recommend that Regional Cabinet approve the Quarter 3 report, in order for formal submission to government partners.</li> <li>4. To note the format of the report corresponds with the four priority headings of the 20/21 Annual Business Plan – 'Ready to Scale: Delivery</li> </ol>						

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			<p>Pipeline’; ‘Gateway Ready – telling the story’; ‘Influence and Engage’; and, ‘Beyond City Deal to Building a City Region’. With recent approved projects now comprising a wider portfolio of activity, to note the Logic Models developed to monitor all aspects of programme delivery enclosed at Appendix 3.</p> <p>5. To note, in keeping with previous commitments around development of Programme Monitoring Reports, the illustrative highlight report example contained at Appendix 8 on the Housing</p>						

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			Viability Gap Fund. This sets out the template for such future monitoring which will be reported quarterly to Regional Cabinet, following engagement with portfolio leads, in 2021/22.						
RC/2021/03	6	<p><b>Proposed 2021/22 Joint Committee Revenue Budget and Revised City Deal Office Operating Structure</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. approved the Joint Committee expenditure budget of £2,220,988 for 2021/22 as set out in Table 1 of this report;</li> <li>2. approved the proposed 2021/22 Annual Budget of £1,160,058, funded by the 10 local authority partner contributions as</li> </ol>	To provide Regional Cabinet with details of the proposed 2021/22 Joint Committee Revenue Budget and indicative revenue budgets to 2025/26. To also set out the resourcing requirements of the City Deal Office to deliver the objectives of the CCRCD as the scale and magnitude of the programme increases and transition into a Corporate Joint Committee is projected to occur.		15/03/21	15/03/21		CCR Section 151 Officer	

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		<p>outlined in this report, to meet part of the Joint Committee costs and representing 5% increase from the previous year;</p> <p>3. approved that the balance (£1,060,930) 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');</p> <p>4. approved the additional staffing requirements and the terms as set out in paragraphs 12-15 of this report.</p>							
RC/2021/04	7	<p><b>Regional Transport Authority – Revisions to Metro Plus Programme</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p>	<p>1. To set out revisions required to the Metro Plus scheme, in light of deliverability, viability and affordability challenges</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21			CCR Director

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		<p>1. confirmed adoption of preferred Option 5 as a means of taking forward and modifying the Metro Plus programme in order to ensure it is fit for future purpose and capable of delivering for the whole of the region;</p> <p>2. noted the wider issues and challenges set in the report, which includes implementing a new schedule to each approved scheme, to drive the performance culture and the appointment of independent experts, Local Partnerships which will help bring independent rigour to the process and ensure all ten schemes are held to proper account;</p> <p>3. approved an extension of one year for the programme;</p> <p>4. agreed the amendment of the</p>	<p>recently presented. To set out the outcomes of a review of the scheme which has involved an options appraisal; and, to a) propose appropriate modifications to ensure the programme as a whole can work optimally; and b) introduce new criteria to ensure schemes are locally accountable and subject to a rigorous performance framework.</p> <p>2. To update Members on the ULEV Transformation currently being delivered.</p>						

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		<p>delegations approved on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and notes application of the delegation under 'Metro Plus' for the ULEV scheme;</p> <p>5. agreed an additional allocation of £3m from the IIF Programme to match fund transport initiatives that meet the Metro Plus agenda to maximise new funding and delivery opportunities; and further agree the additional delegations as identified within the report;</p> <p>6. noted that ongoing monitoring of the programme will be featured within quarterly Highlight Reports and also actively reviewed by Chief Executives via Programme Board.</p>							
RC/2021/05	8	<b>Homes for all the Region – Update and Indicative Shortlist for the Viability Gap Fund</b>	1. To provide Regional Cabinet with an update on progress made		15/03/21	15/03/21		Nicola Somerville declared an interest in Item 8 because she was the Chair of	CCR Director

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		<p><i>Appendices 2, 3i &amp; 3ii of 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. 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 resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. noted the receipt of applications to its Housing Viability Gap Fund and that the evaluation process has now been concluded in line with the evaluation framework approved by Regional Cabinet in September 2020;</li> <li>2. approved the proposed indicative</li> </ol>	<p>in respect of the 'Homes for all the Region' Programme, following the approval of the Viability Gap Fund Full Business Case in March 2020 and the associated Evaluation Framework in September 2020.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. In particular, to report on the outcome of the evaluation exercise carried out in respect of applications received for the Viability Gap Fund and seek Regional Cabinet's approval of the proposed 'indicative shortlist of schemes' to progress to the next stage of the process, along with next</li> </ol>				Newport City Homes but had not been involved in any of the decisions presented in the report		

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		<p>shortlist of schemes in respect of the CCR Base Fund as set out in Exempt Appendix 2 together with the reserve list of schemes also detailed within that appendix, to allow further due diligence to be completed and noting that a further report will be brought back to Regional Cabinet to consider the final list of schemes;</p> <p>3. approved the proposed indicative shortlist of schemes in respect of the Welsh Government Fund as set out in Exempt Appendix 3i together with the reserve list of schemes also detailed within that appendix, to allow further due diligence to be completed and noting that a further report will be brought back to Regional Cabinet to consider the final list of schemes;</p>	<p>steps and associated timescales.</p> <p>3. In-light of the indicative shortlist, to consider whether the overall purpose of the Viability Gap Fund has been fully met (particularly in relation to CCR's Economic Inclusion objectives) or whether further options need to be progressed alongside the proposed shortlist.</p> <p>4. To provide a short, interim update in respect of the SME Finance Fund, next steps and associated timescales.</p>						

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		<p>4. noted the potential increase required to CCR funding of £72,084 to £30,072,084 in order to meet the potential shortfall identified in this report;</p> <p>5. noted the option set out in the report in respect of the 2 additional schemes and approve an in-principle budget allocation of £7.8 million to support these schemes as set out in Exempt Appendix 3ii, noting that Cabinet supports the Portfolio Member approaching Welsh Government to seek a contribution towards the additional allocation, particularly given the opportunity to effect improved prosperity in low competitiveness areas that will be hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic;</p> <p>6. noted the position in respect of Viability Gap Fund revenue support budget and</p>							

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		<p>that an update report will be brought back to Regional Cabinet in the future in this regard;</p> <p>7. noted the update and ongoing work in respect of the SME Housing Fund and associated timescales set out in this report.</p>							
RC/2021/06	9	<p><b>Investment Prospectus 'Prosperity in our Place' and Strategic Rail Priorities</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <p>1. noted and endorsed the Investment Prospectus and Passenger Rail Vision as key planks of CCR's case for levelling-up and the complementarity with the Welsh Government Framework for Regional Investment in Wales; and,</p> <p>2. approved the key components of the Plan for engaging and communicating</p>	<p>1. To present Regional Cabinet with two key strategic investment documents that seek to set out Cardiff Capital Region's formal set of 'asks and offers' in relation to UK Government's 'levelling-up' and the wider 'Build Back Better' growth agenda and the WG mission for Economic Resilience and Reconstruction. To seek Cabinet's approval to both</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21			CCR Director

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		the documents in order to maximise exposure and chances of success, in ensuring CCR is able to access all funds and investment available to it.	formally launch and submit the frameworks to the UK Government and Wales Government, given compatibility with the Framework for Regional Investment Wales and in order to proactively set out the contribution the region is able to make to UK-wide prosperity.						
RC/2021/07	10	<p><b>Self-Evaluation of Investment and Intervention Framework (including Audit Wales Investment)</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <p>1. noted and endorsed the IIF self-evaluation review; and, the Audit Wales IIF Review and notes the proposed Implementation Plan</p>	<p>To set out the outcomes, findings and recommendations of the self-assessment review of the Investment and Intervention Framework (IIF) and to present the findings of commensurate external audit work by Audit Wales on the same. To provide an overview of the</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21		CCR Director	

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		<p>as a means of adapting the approach and providing high levels of future assurance;</p> <p>2. noted the wider context and developments needed to complement the review findings and implementation and receipt of commensurate and future reports on Risk, Responsible Investing, Programme Monitoring and Governance.</p>	<p>next steps and refinements and evolution needed as the IIF moves into its next phase of operation</p>						
RC/2021/08	11	<p><b>Governance Update – Future Programme Monitoring and Reporting</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet:</p> <p>1. noted and endorsed the proposals set out in the report for the evolution of CCR governance structures in line with the scale-up phase of programme delivery;</p>	<p>To set out an update of current and evolving governance arrangements in order to clarify the current complement of committees, partnerships and sub-committees. To recognise, that as the Investment Programme grows and develops in complexity, the need to</p>		15/03/21	15/03/21		CCR Director	

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		<p>2. noted and approved the full Terms of References and proposed delegations for the Challenge Fund Strategic Board;</p> <p>3. noted the illustrative Highlight Report on the Housing Viability Gap Fund and approves the new proposed arrangements for programme monitoring;</p> <p>4. authorised the delegation of authority to the Regional Director to take any action or decisions necessary at her discretion to implement the Challenge Fund business case presented to Regional Cabinet in October 2020, and to automatically authorise further delegation of this authority to such person or group at the Regional Director's discretion.</p>	<p>comprehensively document new structures and mechanisms and continue to make provisions for good governance and programme monitoring. This report takes the opportunity to update the schedule of committees, sub-committees, partnerships and boards and to outline that, at this stage of evolution, governance matters will be presided over by the Accountable Body and CCR's external appointed legal advisors, on a project by project basis</p>						

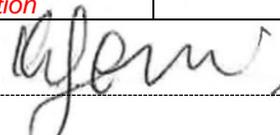
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RC/2021/09	12	<p><b>Report of the Investment Panel: Recommendations Logs and Project Updates</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet accepted the recommendations of the exempt report.</p>	<p><i>This report and appendices 1 and 2 to 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>		15/03/21	15/03/21		Cllr Huw Thomas declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 12 because his wife works for one of the organisations under discussion	CCR Director
RC/2021/10	13	<p><b>Strategic Premises Fund</b></p> <p>It was resolved that the CCR Regional Cabinet accepted the recommendations of the exempt report.</p>	<p><i>This report and appendices 1-3 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</i></p>		15/03/21	15/03/21			CCR Director

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			<i>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>						

Approved for publication

  
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