

**SUBJECT: WELSH GOVERNMENT TARGETED REGENERATION INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2018-21**

**MEETING: CABINET**

**DATE: 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018**

**DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: All**

**1. PURPOSE:**

To consider the approval of the Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) Regeneration Plan (2018-2021) (Appendix A) which sets out the objectives of the CCR, and outlines the target areas and scope of activities possible under the Welsh Government Targeted Regeneration Investment programme (TRI), giving particular regard to Monmouthshire's South East Severnside proposals contained within.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

2.1 To approve the final draft of the CCR Regeneration Plan (2018-2021), specifically the regeneration proposals for South East Severnside circa £10M, following submission to Welsh Government, in order to facilitate delivery of the Welsh Government's Targeted Regeneration Investment (TRI) Programme 2018-21.

2.2 That Cabinet agrees the submission of a Project Development Funding Application (circa £175,000) to support the delivery of the wider regeneration proposal.

2.3 The Cabinet agrees the submission of the first individual capital project application to the TRI programme, namely The Cross Destination Space costing circa £500k.

2.4 That Cabinet agrees to recommend to Council to approve the additional capital budget spend, within the current MTFP and therefore cost neutral, using Section 106 monies and in kind staff time as match funding – 50% requirement for the Project Development Funding Application and 30% requirement for the TRI capital funding. This will facilitate the delivery of the Project Development Activity and the capital scheme in 2018/19 as per spend profile (Appendix B). Any future capital requirements over and above the current MTFP, will be brought back to Cabinet for approval.

2.5 That authority is granted to the Chief Officer for Resources for individual sign off on the projects following WG approval and final agreement of project costs.

2.6 That authority is granted to enable Officers to further develop Monmouthshire's proposals with a view to bringing forward additional schemes for further consideration and funding at the point of readiness.

**2.7 KEY ISSUES:**

3.1 The attached draft of the CCR Regeneration Plan (2018-2021) (Appendix A) outlines the target areas, governance arrangements, thematic grant schemes and scope of activities possible under the Welsh Government's TRI Programme for the period 2018-2021. Welsh Government has indicated £44m of funding to South East Wales for 2018-2021,

with a maximum grant intervention rate of 70%. Additional Project Development funding is available at a maximum grant intervention rate of 50%.

- 3.2 As part of the Welsh Government's TRI Programme (TRI), Welsh Government requires economic regions to work collaboratively to produce a regional plan for delivery. The attached plan therefore provides the means by which Welsh Government will assess and fund schemes throughout the region. TRI will seek to support projects that promote economic regeneration - creating jobs, enhancing skills and employability and creating the right environment for businesses to grow and thrive - with a focus on individuals and areas most in need to ensure prosperity is spread to all parts of Wales.
- 3.3 **Targeted Areas** - To maximise the impact of Welsh Government TRI funding, interventions will be targeted in key locations across the region that have been chosen because of their socio-economic profile, the complex range of challenges they face and opportunity to reverse decline through a portfolio of interventions.
- 3.4 In the case of Monmouthshire, there is an economic imperative to unlock the new opportunities in the south east Severnside area, being the largest area of urban population (circa 20,000), specific emphasis being placed on Caldicot. With the recent confirmation to abolish Severn Bridge Tolls, its enviable centrality, road infrastructure and close proximity to the high growth border areas of the South West and the 'Midlands Engine', future demand is already placing pressure on affordable and market housing with 439 households on the register wishing to live in Caldicot. Economically, the town centre is not fit for purpose to meet the needs of future residents with a 9% drop in non-food shops and a 13% vacancy rate in primary frontages. Although the rise of 10% in the service sector is following a UK trend in leisure and social activity, the town centre's infrastructure is not of the right quality to meet the future needs of retail, food and drink, housing, enterprise and other activities.
- 3.5 **Severnside - the town of Caldicot specifically** - has the potential to be a major beneficiary of the influx caused by these factors and as a consequence, there is a need to invest in infrastructure, specifically commercial property, in-town living, and visitor economy led activity. The focus shall be on the town centre whilst also ensuring an integrated approach to neighbourhoods and their holistic well-being; creating an opportunity for a modern and thriving hub which can attract private sector investment and business re-locations from Bristol and beyond. The **proposed strategic schemes** are therefore as follows:
  - a) To enhance mobility and accessibility for residents, visitors and employees through investment in the **Cross Destination Space** to enhance mobility and accessibility for residents, visitors and employees through investment in shared space, active travel networks and maximisation of visitor assets as the Castle and Country Park, links to the Living Levels, equestrian activities as well as local community spaces that ensures inclusion for all. An enhanced link along **Church Road** will form part of the scheme that will improve local well-being and connectivity;
  - b) To undertake a **Refurbishment of the existing Retail Parade** which will see units reconfigured with opportunities for employment generation through enhanced frontages, reconfigured units and improved signage/branding. The immediate street environment

- will also form part of this enhancement project. This is linked to the planned scheme for homes on part of Jubilee Way car park;
- c) The creation of local enterprise and co-working space within **Caldicot's Community Hub** will also support existing and new businesses in the town and area, with new space provision and enhanced access and from the town centre side of the building;
  - d) **To improve the housing offer** at a key gateway site into the town centre with the provision of a 27no. residential units, urban courtyard and car park that is linked to the redevelopment of an outdated 1960s retail parade.
- 3.6 **Thematic Activity** - To further address the key issues identified in the target areas, specifically the Retail Parade, and deliver the aims and objectives of the CCR Regeneration Plan, a further thematic area for investment has been identified as part of the plan. An **Urban Centre Property Enhancement Fund (UCPEF)** is proposed for neighbouring retail and employment property as part of the wider strategic project;
- 3.7 The schemes detailed above will enable the Council to maximise the opportunities that TRI can offer whilst offering the potential for the region to capitalise on the County's new opportunities, also addressing further strategic regeneration priorities which include the expansion of the digitally connected community hubs network throughout the County. Consideration will also need to be given to our strategic employment sites particularly those with a focus on the circular economy.
- 3.8 **Governance**  
Each Council will be responsible for local partner engagement, project development, project assessment and local financial and output monitoring. Councils will report to a Regional Regeneration Framework (made up of Regional Regeneration Directors) which will have responsibility for project endorsement and outcome monitoring. The Regional Regeneration Framework will provide regular updates to the CCR City Region Joint Cabinet on spend and delivery.
- 3.9 Welsh Government is seeking a more regionalised approach to the administration of TRI thematic projects so a single Council (yet to be determined) will manage the administration of the Property Enhancement Grant on behalf of the region. A management fee will be incorporated into the grant budgets, to facilitate management, administration and the regional function. Strategic project applications will be submitted directly to the Welsh Government by each local authority.

### 3. **Options Appraisal**

- 4.1 The economy of South East Wales continues to underperform the majority of other regions of the UK. The ten constituent councils acknowledge the need to act collectively and differently to accelerate the economic growth of the CCR. On 15th March 2016, each of the ten constituent council leaders in South East Wales, the First Minister, the Wales Government Minister for Finance and Government Business, the Secretary of State for Wales and the Chief Secretary to the Treasury signed the CCR Heads of Terms Agreement. The City Deal is therefore an agreement between the UK Government, Wales Government and the ten leaders of the CCR.
- 4.2 To ensure the right investments are made to achieve significant economic growth, the CCR City Deal has set a small number of key targets, which are the creation of 25,000 new jobs by 2036 and leveraging £4 billion of private sector investment as a result of the £1.2bn public sector investment.

- 4.3 Senior personnel and the Leader have taken an active role in shaping the CCR Programme of activities to date and the CCR Regeneration Plan is another step in achieving the long-term objectives of the CCR City Deal. In addition, as part of the Welsh Government's Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme (TRI), Welsh Government requires economic regions to work collaboratively to produce a regional plan for delivery. The attached plan therefore provides the means by which Welsh Government will assess and fund schemes throughout the region promoting economic regeneration - creating jobs, enhancing skills and employability and creating the right environment for businesses to grow and thrive.
- 4.4 **Stakeholder Engagement** - A six month programme of engagement activity took place in Caldicot between September 2017 and March 2018 which involved three Stakeholder workshops members of Caldicot Town Council, Caldicot Town Team, Monmouthshire County Councillors and responsible officers. The purpose of the engagement activity was to remind stakeholders of the Vision and Development Plan/Proposals developed in February 2016 and sought feedback and agreement on key issues and priorities for the town centre with a view to determining the town centre's future role and function, identifying priority projects for the future and maximising the opportunity to access TRI funding.
- 4.5 The South East Severnside regeneration proposals detailed within the CCR Regeneration Plan have therefore been developed as a direct result of the Stakeholder Activity Programme. A presentation of the initial proposals was made to Economy and Development Select Committee in November 2017 and the final proposals were presented to Caldicot Town Council in April 2018. Since June 2018, an exhibition of the plans has been in place at Caldicot Community Hub where residents have been encouraged to register their feedback.
- 4.6 All of the individual projects which make up the overall South East Severnside Regeneration Scheme will require individual project application submissions to WG and subject to approval, further public consultation and where applicable, planning applications.

## 5. EVALUATION CRITERIA

- 5.1 An evaluation assessment has been included in Appendix C for future evaluation of whether the decision has been successfully implemented. It is intended that Officers will further develop Monmouthshire's proposals with a view to bringing forward individual schemes for further consideration and funding at the point of readiness. Once approved regular six monthly progress reports will be presented to Economy and Development Select Committee to evaluate progress and outcomes and an annual report will be presented to Cabinet.

## 6. REASONS

- 6.1 To agree the CCR Regeneration Plan in accordance with the requirements of the CCR Joint Working Agreement and Welsh Government's requirement for the Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme (TRI), for economic regions to work collaboratively to produce a regional plan for delivery, a decision for which is a "Matter Reserved to each of the Councils".
- 6.2 **Next Steps** - Once the CCR Regeneration Plan has been approved by all local authorities in the SE Region, it will be formally considered by Welsh Government, endorsed by the

Welsh Government's Regeneration Capital Investment Panel and submitted to Welsh Ministers for approval. Following this additional individual project submissions will be made to Welsh Government for further approvals.

## **7. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 The overall costs of the regeneration proposals for South East Severnside are circa £10M. At this present time, Officers seek approval to submit the Project Development Funding Application to support the delivery of the wider regeneration proposal (circa £175k – 50% match funding requirement) and the first individual capital project application namely The Cross Destination Space costing circa £500k - 30% match funding requirement. Project spend for the project can be met from within the current MTFP using Section 106 monies and in kind staff time as match funding.
- 7.2 Subject to approval and final agreement of project costs, it is requested that any individual sign off on the projects is authorised by the Chief Officer for Resources.
- 7.3 The match funding required to deliver the thematic projects i.e. the Urban Centre Property Enhancement Fund to enhance building frontages and bring vacant commercial floor space back into beneficial use, where possible, will be met by external private sector investment where the retail outlets are privately owned. In these cases there will be no requirement for the authority to make capital match contributions to these schemes but there will be a need to provide project management resources that can be partly met by the Welsh Government TRI programme.

### **7.4 Legal Implications**

- 7.4.1 Any projects or grant proposals developed and subsequently delivered or administered in partnership with internal or external organisations will be managed in-line with Service Level Agreements, adhering to the terms and conditions set-out in Grant Offer Letters and following Council policies.
- 7.4.2 The Council will be required to comply with the terms and conditions attached to the TRI grant funding.
- 7.4.3 All contracts for works, goods and services necessary to deliver the projects must be procured in accordance with the Council's Contract Procedure Rules and the relevant EU Regulations as appropriate. The contractual liabilities/obligations of the Council and any appointed contractors will be covered by the individual contracts entered into.

## **8. WELLBEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS IMPLICATIONS (INCORPORATING EQUALITIES, SUSTAINABILITY, SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING):**

- 8.1 The significant equality impacts identified in the assessment (Appendix D) have concluded that the detail contained in the draft CCR Regeneration Plan demonstrates compliance with the well-being five ways of working, supports the well-being goals and identifies that the CCR City Deal is expected to have a positive impact on all groups and people with protected characteristics.

## **9. CONSULTEES**

Caldicot Town Council, Caldicot Town Team and the wider Caldicot Community

Senior Leadership Team

Economy and Development Select Committee

Cabinet

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Appendix A: Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) Regeneration Plan (2018-2021)

Appendix B: Capital Scheme Spend Profile

Appendix C: Evaluation Assessment

Appendix D: Equality Impact Assessment

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## Appendix C

## Evaluation Criteria – Cabinet, Individual Cabinet Member Decisions & Council

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>WELSH GOVERNMENT TARGETED REGENERATION INVESTMENT PROGRAMME 2018-21</b>
<b>Date decision was made:</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> September 2018</b>
<b>Report Author:</b>	<b>Cath Fallon</b>

### What will happen as a result of this decision being approved by Cabinet or Council?

It is intended that Officers will further develop Monmouthshire's proposals with a view to bringing forward individual schemes for further consideration and funding at the point of readiness. Once approved regular six monthly progress reports will be presented to Economy and Development Select Committee to evaluate progress and outcomes and an annual report will be presented to Cabinet.

*Was the desired outcome achieved? What has changed as a result of the decision? Have things improved overall as a result of the decision being taken?*

### What benchmarks and/or criteria will you use to determine whether the decision has been successfully implemented?

The Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) Regeneration Plan (2018-2021) to be approved by Cabinet to enable further individual schemes to come forward for consideration.

*Paint a picture of what has happened since the decision was implemented. Give an overview of how you fared against the criteria. What worked well, what didn't work well. The reasons why you might not have achieved the desired level of outcome. Detail the positive outcomes as a direct result of the decision. If something didn't work, why didn't it work and how has that effected implementation.*

### What is the estimate cost of implementing this decision or, if the decision is designed to save money, what is the proposed saving that the decision will achieve?

Six month appraisal

*Give an overview of whether the decision was implemented within the budget set out in the report or whether the desired amount of savings was realised. If not, give a brief overview of the reasons why and what the actual costs/savings were.*

*Any other comments*

Appendix D



## Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact)

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***NB. Key strategies and documents that may help you identify your contribution to the wellbeing goals and sustainable development principles include: Single Integrated Plan, Continuance Agreement, Improvement Plan, Local Development Plan, People Strategy, Asset Management Plan, Green Infrastructure SPG, Welsh Language Standards, etc.***

**1. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below?**

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?
<p><b>A prosperous Wales</b>                      Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	<p>The Regional Cabinet’s Vision and Regional Strategic Objectives set out their aspirations and with their high-level aims, to create 25,000 new jobs and leverage £4bn private sector investment, establish the economic outcomes they are seeking to achieve when considering use of the City Deal Wider Investment Fund. The Regional Strategic Objectives also reflect the need to focus on improving the quality of life of people and communities now and in the</p>	<p>As the CCR Regeneration Plan forms part of a Cardiff Capital Region scheme and framework and will also be funded via Welsh Government’s Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme, there has been a need to demonstrate the use of the five well-being ways of working and how it supports the wellbeing goals and the twin goals in the Welsh Government’s ‘Prosperity for All:</p>




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?
	<p>future and ensure the Regional Cabinet’s approach and actions are responsible and meet the regions current needs without compromising the quality of life of future generations.</p> <p>The Strategic Objectives, as detailed in the Strategic Business Plan and subsequently in the CCR Regeneration Plan, are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Prosperity and Opportunity ; Building the capacity of individuals, households, public sector and businesses to meet challenges and grasp opportunity creating a more productive economy;</b></li> <li><b>2. Inclusion and Equality - A vibrant and sustainable economy which contributes to the well-being and quality of life of people and communities now and in the future;</b></li> <li><b>3. Identity, Culture, Community and Sustainability - Forging a clear identity and strong reputation as a City-Region for trade, innovation, and quality of life;</b></li> </ol> <p>Using these Strategic Objectives will assist the Regional Cabinet in supporting the well-being goal of ‘a prosperous Wales’.</p>	<p>economic action plan’ of growing the economy and reducing inequality.</p>
<p><b>A resilient Wales</b> Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p>	<p>The Regional Cabinet, as decision makers, will need to consider existing and future demands which will include new forms of sustainable energy generation,</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>

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?
	<p>housing, new infrastructure, and facilities which will generate job opportunities such as strategic sites.</p> <p>In response to these pressures the Regional Cabinet will seek appropriate advice, and work in a way that ensures efficient and effective solutions that not only maintain the environment but where ever possible enhance it and make it more resilient, supporting economic growth with responsible environmental management.</p>	
<p><b>A healthier Wales</b> People’s physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>	<p>There is a clear evidence base that shows that for the majority of people being in good secure work is better for their health than being out of work. Employment has social, psychological, and financial benefits that improve health.</p> <p>The Regional Cabinet’s aims, as detailed in the Strategic Business Plan, and Strategic Objectives, to create additional good quality jobs and support people to up skill to fill those roles will assist in supporting the well-being goal of ‘a healthier Wales’.</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>
<p><b>A Wales of cohesive communities</b> Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p>	<p>The details in the Strategic Objectives related to connectivity, transport and digital; vibrant and vital economy and urban centres; and affordable housing will all contribute to support this goal.</p> <p>Therefore, using the Strategic Objectives, detailed above, will assist the Regional Cabinet in supporting the well-being goal of ‘a Wales of cohesive communities’.</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>

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?
<p><b>A globally responsible Wales</b> Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing</p>	<p>The CCR Regeneration Plan is aligned to the Strategic Business Plan which states that the City Deal is intended to deliver sustainable economic development and growth. The Plan also refers to our role on the international and national stage forging a clear identity and strong reputation.</p> <p>This is referenced in “Strategic Objective 3 – <i>demonstrate our commitment to a sustainable future and acknowledge our global responsibility</i>”.</p> <p>The Regional Cabinet understand that sustainability goes beyond the region and must be considered in a national, international and global context. In making decisions the Regional Cabinet’s responsibility extends far wider than the region, and to achieve the aim of a positive national and international reputation, they will consider the full range of potential implications and consequences.</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>
<p><b>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language</b> Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation</p>	<p>The Strategic Objective ‘<i>Identity, Culture, Community and Sustainability</i>’ specifically refers to the development and promotion of the regions world-class cultural and recreational opportunities exploiting the regions natural beauty and historic areas.</p> <p>Therefore, using the Strategic Objectives, detailed above, will assist the Regional Cabinet in supporting the well-being goal of ‘a Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language’. Regard will be given to the Welsh Language Measure 2011 and</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>

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?
	consultation and communication will have regard to the Welsh Language.	
<p><b>A more equal Wales</b> People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances</p>	<p>The Strategic Objective '<i>Inclusion and Equality</i>' detailed in the Strategic Business Plan states: <i>Inclusion and Equality - A vibrant and sustainable economy which contributes to the well-being and quality of life of people and communities now and in the future.</i> A vibrant and inclusive economy supports a mix of economic activities and promotes economic security and resilience. The Regional Cabinet will promote:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• access to employment and economic opportunities;</li> <li>• participation in the labour market for all members of society;</li> <li>• access to a range of housing, including affordable;</li> <li>• access to education and training, to develop skills;</li> <li>• access to social and recreational opportunities.</li> </ul> <p>Using this Strategic Objective will assist the Regional Cabinet in supporting the well-being goal of 'a more equal Wales'.</p>	<p>See the way of working detailed above and how the approach by the Regional Cabinet will seek to support the regions communities and the wellbeing goals.</p>

**2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised 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?
 <p>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	<p>The CCR’s Strategic Business Plan states:  <i>“The City Deal is a long-term programme and no one can, with confidence, predict what changes will occur over the next 20 years.            When considering the current pace of innovation in areas such as artificial intelligence, drones, driverless vehicles, 3-D printing, robotics, and automation, the future infrastructure and skills needs of the region is changing radically.            We must therefore ensure our policies, plans and programmes are flexible and sufficiently dynamic to not only cope with change but to act as a catalyst to drive positive change in the region.”</i>            The Plan also states:  <i>“Our Regional Strategic Objectives also reflect the need to focus on improving the quality of life of people and communities now and in the future and ensure our approach and actions are responsible and meet our current needs without compromising the quality of life of future generations.”</i></p>	<p>The business plan and subsequently the CCR Regeneration Plan demonstrates that the Regional Cabinet are mindful of their responsibilities and that they will regularly undertake reviews to ensure they are achieving the correct balance in the short, medium and long-term.</p>

**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?**



Collaboration



Working together with other partners to deliver objectives


The City Deal is a collaboration of the ten local authorities of south east Wales. In defining the Regional Cabinet’s ‘Vision’ there is a statement related to collaboration – “To make the most of the opportunities our combined size gives us, we must all work together – public sector, private sector, education establishments and our communities – for the benefit of all.”

In addition, the Strategic Business Plan states:  
*“We are working closely with the Welsh Government and National Government, who are both signatories to the City Deal. We have also been instrumental in establishing stakeholder groups including the Cardiff Capital Region:*

- *Skills and Employment Board - representing a wide range of stakeholders, including businesses, higher and further education, local authorities and Welsh Government;*
- *Regional Business Council – providing a strong business voice;*
- *Economic Growth Partnership – bringing together partners to consider and advise on a sustainable economic growth strategy and investment decisions.*

The Regional Cabinet are developing an effective working relationship with the Office of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales to ensure that opportunities to support the well-being goals are highlighted.

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>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p> <p>Involvement</p>	<p>The Strategic Business Plan was prepared using the research and recommendations of the Growth and Competitiveness Commission, as required by the Assurance Framework para 3.1. The Growth and Competitiveness Commission was established as an Independent Commission by the Regional Cabinet specifically to undertake research and extensive consultation on the City Deal, and from this work provide advice and recommendations to the Regional Cabinet.</p>	<p>The Regional Cabinet has been approved by each of the ten constituent authorities' councils. This means that up to 536 local councilors, all of whom have been elected by and represent their diverse communities, have determined that they wish to adopt the CCR Business Plan and subsequently they are also being asked to adopt this CCR Regeneration Plan.</p>
 <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p> <p>Prevention</p>	<p>The Cardiff Capital Region is widely recognised as a region with major strengths, an attractive environment, a strong heritage, a growing economy and emerging opportunities.</p> <p>However, it is also a region where there are concentrations of poverty and where not all have access to the opportunities available. Improving accessibility to opportunities and increasing labour market participation is critical to support an improved quality of life for all the regions residents.</p>	<p>By investing resources in promoting skills; employment opportunity; job quality, security and progression the Regional Cabinet aim to promote more inclusive growth within the region.</p>

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>Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies</p>	<p>The Strategic Business Plan states: “We have identified four Strategic Themes where we feel we can make the biggest difference and a real improvement to the wellbeing of people in the region and in so doing support our regional objectives, wellbeing goals and the twin goals, in the Welsh Government’s ‘Prosperity for All: economic action plan’, of growing the economy and reducing inequality.</p> <p>City Deal Strategic Themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skills &amp; Employment;</li> <li>• Innovation;</li> <li>• Connecting the Region; and</li> <li>• Regeneration and Infrastructure.</li> </ul> <p>Identifying these themes provides a structure and method of developing proposals and schemes. However, the themes are indivisible, and all proposals will be expected to be cross-cutting and contribute, to differing degrees, to our objectives and the well-being goals.” In addition, when appraising schemes within the City Deal the Strategic Plan states:</p> <p>“All proposed schemes will be required to follow the same appraisal process as detailed in the Assurance Framework.</p> <p>Schemes will be assessed on their potential to contribute to our high-level aims and strategic objectives; demonstrate value for money, use of the five ways of working and how they contribute to the well-being goals.”</p>	<p>Both these statements demonstrate how the Regional Cabinet are taking an integrated approach when developing and assessing proposals and schemes.</p>

**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. For more detailed information on the protected characteristics, the Equality



Act 2010 and the Welsh Language Standards that apply to Monmouthshire Council please follow this link:<http://hub/corporatedocs/Equalities/Forms/AllItems.aspx> or contact Alan Burkitt on 01633 644010 or [alanburkitt@monmouthshire.gov.uk](mailto:alanburkitt@monmouthshire.gov.uk)

<b>Protected Characteristics</b>	<b>Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic</b>	<b>Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic</b>	<b>What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?</b>
Age	The Regional Cabinet has developed and is implementing a City Deal which will benefit the region through the creation of more and better jobs, more housing, improved communication and improved skills. This will provide economic growth and infrastructure improvements that will benefit all including those defined as having protected characteristics.	It is considered that there are no adverse impacts on those with a protected characteristic, indeed the vision and strategic objectives defined in the Strategic Business Plan will assist in supporting these groups as part of the regions communities.	In accordance with the Assurance Framework all City Deal schemes demonstrate their potential outputs and outcomes via a 5 Case Business Model, in accordance with HM Treasury Green Book, a tool for scoping and planning a proposal and documenting the expected outcomes. In addition, for Cardiff Capital Region schemes, the business case will also have to demonstrate the use of the five well-being ways of working and how it supports the wellbeing goals and the twin goals in the Welsh Government's 'Prosperity for All: economic action plan' of growing the economy and reducing inequality. Any report to the Regional Cabinet seeking approval for a proposal will be require to be accompanied by a City Deal Well-being and Equalities Assessment. In this way the Regional Cabinet will ensure that any interventions and/or investments will aim to provide a positive impact on communities and the well-being goals, this will include those who are defined as having protected characteristics. The CCR Regeneration Plan has followed this approval process.

<b>Protected Characteristics</b>	<b>Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic</b>	<b>Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic</b>	<b>What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?</b>
Disability	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Gender reassignment	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Marriage or civil partnership	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Pregnancy or maternity	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Race	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Religion or Belief	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Sex	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Sexual Orientation	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above
Welsh Language	As per Age Line Above	As per Age Line above	As per Age Line Above

**4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities?** For more information please see the guidance <http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Safeguarding%20Guidance.docx> and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see <http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx>

	<b>Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting</b>	<b>Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting</b>	<b>What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?</b>
Safeguarding	<i>During the delivery of the programme of activities associated with the policy, safeguarding will be at the forefront to ensure that any future service delivery promotes the well-being of children and vulnerable adults, preventing them from being harmed and protecting those who are at risk of abuse and neglect.</i>	As above	As above
Corporate Parenting	<i>During the delivery of this policy the needs of any 'looked after' children will be considered to ensure any future service delivery protects their welfare.</i>	As above	As above

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

The Caldicot Vision document (February 2018) and various stakeholder engagement activities. In addition the CCR Regeneration Plan has been founded upon the following:

- The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act;
- The Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act;
- Prosperity for All;
- Growth & Competitiveness Commission Report Review and Recommendations Page 22;
- Cardiff Capital Region "Powering the Welsh Economy"

**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?**

**The Assessment demonstrates that the detail contained in the draft CCR Regeneration Plan demonstrates compliance with the well-being five ways of working, supports the well-being goals and identifies that the CCR City Deal is expected to have a positive impact on all groups and people with protected characteristics.**

**7. ACTIONS: As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.**

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Approval of the draft CCR Regeneration Plan by CCR City Deal, Welsh Government and Ministers	August/September 2018	Cath Fallon/Deb Hill-Howells	
Approval of the draft CCR Regeneration Plan by Cabinet	September 2018	Cath Fallon/Deb Hill-Howells	
Approval of individual project submissions by CCR and Welsh Government	September 2018 onwards	Cath Fallon/ Deb Hill-Howells	
Delivery of individual Monmouthshire projects from within the CCR Regeneration Plan	October 2018 onwards	Cath Fallon/Deb Hill-Howells/Roger Hoggins	

**8. 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:	Ongoing
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**9. VERSION CONTROL:** The Future Generations Evaluation should be used at the earliest stages of decision making, and then honed and refined throughout the decision making process. It is important to keep a record of this process so that we can demonstrate how we have considered and built in sustainable development wherever possible.

Version No.	Decision making stage	Date considered	Brief description of any amendments made following consideration
1	<i>Cabinet</i>	<i>5<sup>th</sup> September 2018</i>	<i>Approval sought</i>
2	<i>Council</i>	<i>20<sup>th</sup> September 2018</i>	<i>Approval sought</i>