Appendix 6 – Well-being Objective 3 - Strategic Development Plan (SDP) Action Plan

To deliver the SDP, we will take the following steps during 2023 – 2028:

Priority	Actions	Progress Update March 2024	Impact Measures	Action Status
Engage with Welsh Government.	 Engage with Welsh Government Officers on the draft SDP Manual to ensure the final version of that guidance serves to help facilitate an SDP that can deliver on CJC, Council and National Parks corporate objectives. Further engage with Welsh Government regarding the resource requirements to develop the SDP. 	 SWWCJC considered Draft Manual as part of an informal Welsh Government (WG) Consultation in December 2022. Formal Consultation on the SDP Manual / Guidance delayed until Autumn 2024. Limited Budget reliant on grant funding from Welsh Government(WG). SWWCJC Members and Officers continue to lobby WG to allocate an adequate budget 	Any issues addressed in final guidance.	Ongoing
Prepare Delivery Agreement.	Work collaboratively across the region to undertake key studies that will form an evidence base for the SDP.	 Cross boundary collaboration on is advancing to inform the replacement of Local Development Plans (LDP's) across the region and to provide the structure for the Strategic Development Plan (SDP). Opportunities introduced to rationalise and standardise methodologies for evidence gathering. 	Ensures early key stage work benefit from alignment with latest underpinning evidence, and is aligned with replacement LDPs being produced.	Ongoing – In Progress
Develop SDP.	Deliver a number of SDP key stages with engagement and consultation of stakeholders – (including Community Involvement Scheme, the 'Call for' Strategic Locations and Sites/Areas, Preferred Strategy.	 No substantive progress on key SDP stages to date given the delays to the issuing of the SDP Manual / Guidance and the lack of financial resources allocated to the work stream by Welsh Government. Discussion needed on staff resources and workforce model to be applied once budget has been allocated / identified. 	Compliant SDP.	Pending

To produce a sound, deliverable, co- ordinated and locally distinctive Strategic Development Plan for South West Wales which is founded on stakeholder engagement and collaboration and which clearly sets out the scale and location of future growth for	Prepare to start the process of developing the regional Strategic Plan for South West Wales once in receipt of Welsh Government guidance;	 No substantive progress on developing the regional SDP to date given the delays to the issuing of the SDP Manual / Guidance and the lack of financial resources allocated to the work stream by Welsh Government. Discussion needed on staff resources and workforce model to be applied once budget has been allocated / 	Compliant SDP	Pending
our future generations.	Investigate the options for delivering the expertise and support needed to complete the Strategic Development Plan.	 Initial assessment of the options available to formulate the 'SDP Preparation Team' that is capable of delivering the required outputs has been undertaken. Discussion / agreement needed on staff resources and workforce model to be applied once budget has been allocated / identified 		Ongoing – In Progress
Addition Actions informed by the Consultation January 2024	Further consideration will be given to the views and suggestions received from the consultation.	been anotated / identified		
	Note. This would not be appropriate as there is reliance upon the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee (SWWCJC) to secure funding from Welsh Government to initiate the Strategic Development Plan process in accordance with the guidance. However, steps are being taken to develop the Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) and the Regional Transport Plan (RTP) in a way that will start to create the evidence base to support the Strategic Development Plan (SDP).	Whilst work on the SDP has not formally started, the region has been progressing various work collaboratively in preparation of the SDP, such as an assessment of the constraints and opportunities and potential refinement of the Swansea Bay and Llanelli National Growth Area and Regional Nutrient Credit Trading Scheme.		Pending

Listen to the electorate Note: The South West Wales Corporate, Joint Committee	No formal consultation has been undertaken to date.	Pending
Note. The South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee (SWWCJC) will undertake consultation and engagement throughout preparation and development of the Strategic Development Plan, as a mandatory requirement.		
Accountability for projects Note. The purpose of the Strategic Development Plan has focus on issues that cross Local Planning Authority boundaries and will consider how people in each of the four regions in Wales go about their day to day lives to include working and commuting patterns to shopping and leisure activities. The SDP does not cover the delivery of projects.	No action as the SDP does not cover the delivery of projects	N/A
Consider the long-term objectives for jobs and businesses, together with attracting larger enterprises. Note. These objectives are already included within the Local Development Plans	 Cross boundary collaboration on projects is advancing to inform Replacement LDPs across the region and to provide the building blocks for the SDP. Opportunities taken to rationalise and standardise methodologies for evidence gathering. NPT/Swansea as an example has undertaken a joint Economic and Housing Growth Assessment (E&HGA). This has been undertaken by Turleys Associates, and broadly uses the same methodology as the E&HGA undertaken by Carmarthenshire. A consistent approach to looking at future employment across the region will provide a good base for the SDP to build on. 	Ongoing – In Progress

	Ensure engagement and collaboration processes & systems are	The South West Wales	Ongoing – In Progress
	incorporated	Regional Planning Group	
		provides officers with the	
	Note. These processes are adopted as statutory requirements of	forum to engage, share	
	the Local Development Plan making process	progress and	
		methodologies and provide	
		updates. Whilst a more	
		formalised approach is	
		needed for the SDP, this	
		provides a good base to	
		build on.	
		Progress made on building	
		an integrated approach to	
		the CJC's 'mandated	
		functions', regional plans	
		and programmes which is	
		key to maximising the	
		ability to deliver on the joint	
		ambition – e.g. Planning	
		Officer attendance at the	
		SWW Regional Transport	
		Plan (RTP) Workshops	
		providing input on the draft	
		RTP; and input into the	
		production of the Local	
1		Area Energy Plan (LAEP).	