Swansea Bay City Deal COVID-19 Economic Impact Assessment

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The Covid-19 impact assessment is the method used by the Swansea Bay City Deal to assess the potential impact that the Covid-19 crisis has on each of nine programmes / projects and overarching City Deal portfolio. Recognising that the national and regional economic recovery will rely upon City Deal programmes / projects to support and stimulate national and regional economic growth and attract inward investment during these times of uncertainty.

The assessment will assure the viability and successful delivery of the City Deal programmes / projects during the crisis and recovery stages of the Covid-19 pandemic. This assessment will compliment existing City Deal governance procedures and documentation and any Covid-19 recovery plans for all primary stakeholders. It is envisaged that risks impacting the programmes / project and mitigations to overcome them will be dealt with at programme / project level. Any risks deemed to place significant pressures on theprogramme / project or overarching portfolio such as significantly changing the programme / project scope, significant variance in the definedprogramme / project outputs, significant stage gate delays or continued commitment from key stakeholders, will be assessed by the SBCD Portfolio Management Office and escalated to Joint Committee for appropriate intervention and decision. In the event that a programme / project is exposed to have significant risk and impact, a task and finish group will be established to gather evidence, identify mitigations and determine an appropriate course of action.

The process to gather the required information, assess its impact and determine appropriate mitigations and decisions is outlined below:

 1. Define assessment scope and areas of focus

 2. Identify key risks in the Risk Assessment worksheet and assess the level of risk associated with each

 3. Analyse the potential impact of these risks in the Impact assessment worksheet

 4. Identify corrective action and level of intervention

 5. Report to Joint Committee, Programme Board and Economic Strategy Board

 6. Disseminate findings regionally and to Welsh and UK Government