

15 May 2025

Dear Leader,

City and Growth Deals

The Senedd's Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee is undertaking an inquiry into the four Welsh city and regional growth deals, and has recently launched a public consultation. I am writing to draw your attention to this consultation and inquiry.

When developing this inquiry, Members agreed we are eager to hear the views from as many local authorities as possible, as you are key stakeholders in the growth deals. We would welcome any thoughts you are able to share and are specifically keen to hear your views on the following areas regarding your authority's experience and your growth deal:

- **Progress to date and pace of delivery** – including progress made against targets, and any pressures or challenges affecting delivery
- **Consideration of some of the most significant projects and investments** – including any key successes or potential risks
- **Understanding the impact of the deals** - including the regional spread of activity
- **Governance and democratic accountability** - including the role of Corporate Joint Committees
- **Availability of private sector investment**
- **How the activities of the City and Growth Deals fit within the wider business support landscape** - including the Welsh Government's review of business support, and whether there are any opportunities for greater collaboration or coordination with Welsh Government activity.

If possible, I would appreciate your contribution by the consultation closure date of 23 June 2025.

Thank you in advance for your engagement.



Kind regards,

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Chair: Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English

