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Joint Chair of the Growing Mid Wales Board

Councillor Bryan Davies  
Joint Chair of the Growing Mid Wales Board

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Dear Jake, Bryan and Carwyn,

### **Follow-up to meeting of 4 June 2025**

Thank you all for attending the evidence session on 4 June 2025 in support of the Committee's inquiry into City and Growth Deals. As discussed at the end of the session, due to time constraints there were some questions we could not cover in the session. These are focussed on the business support landscape, and are set out below:

- How do the activities of the Growth Deal fit within the wider business support landscape?
- How do you ensure you develop projects or funding schemes that add to rather than duplicate existing business support provision? For example, how does the scope of the Mid Wales Commercial Property Investment Fund differ from the commercial property loans offered via the Development Bank of Wales?
- What involvement do you expect to have in the Welsh Government's review of business support and what potential improvements would they wish to see being taken forward as a result of the review? We note that your written evidence states "We do not believe we



have been formally made aware of the review of the business support landscape by Welsh Government”.

I would be grateful to receive your written response to these points by 11 July 2025.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew RT Davies". The signature is written in a cursive style with some capital letters.

Andrew RT Davies MS

Chair: Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English

