

Performance Progress Report

Flintshire County Council



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Actions

ACTION	LEAD OFFICER	STATUS	START DATE	END DATE	COMPLETE %	PROGRESS RAG	OUTCOME RAG
2.1.1.1 The Regional Economic Growth Deal will be developed to final approval stages with UK and Welsh Government this year, including agreement of funding allocations and formal governance arrangements	Manager - Enterprise and	In Progress	•	31-Mar-2019	50.00%	GREEN	GREEN

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

The detailed proposition document has been developed and is currently being approved by the core partners of the North Wales Economic Ambition Board. It is anticipated that the UK Government will announce support for the Growth Deal in the Autumn Statement with the Heads of Terms agreement document being produced and signed shortly afterwards.

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ACTION	LEAD OFFICER	STATUS	START DATE	END DATE	COMPLETE %	PROGRESS RAG	OUTCOME RAG
Enterprise Zone (DEZ) and Northern Gateway	Regeneration	In Progress	'	31-Mar-2019	50.00%	GREEN	GREEN

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

The Council continues to work closely with the DEZ Board, Welsh Government, the owners of the Northern Gateway development site and potential investors to support and secure investment proposals.

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ACTION	LEAD OFFICER	STATUS	START DATE	END DATE	COMPLETE %	PROGRESS RAG	OUTCOME RAG
2.1.1.3 Develop a long term strategic approach to Council's economic estate/land	Lisa McLellan - Asset Manager	In Progress	•	31-Mar-2019	20.00%	AMBER	AMBER

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

The initial report on the Council's Industrial Estate has now been received. Detailed consideration needs to be given to the development of strategies which either release sites for the generation of capital receipts, invest to generate increased income, and review terms of renewal or the exercising of break clauses. It is of course important to note that these assets generate a significant revenue income stream for the Council so due care needs to be exercised in any approach.

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ACTION	LEAD OFFICER	STATUS	START DATE	END DATE	COMPLETE %	PROGRESS RAG	OUTCOME RAG
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	In Progress	· ·	31-Mar-2019	50.00%	AMBER	AMBER

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

The Council is commissioning external consultancy support to review the challenges facing smaller town centres and to identify cost-effective interventions that it can play to support them. The consultancy will draw upon UK examples of current good practice.

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8 8	Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	In Progress	•	31-Mar-2019	50.00%	GREEN	GREEN

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

The Welsh Government Targeted Regeneration Investment Programme is a capital programme to invest in regeneration projects. A North Wales Regeneration Plan has been developed to steer investment and has identified 4 priority settlements for the first tranche of activity based on their levels of deprivation - Rhyl, Colwyn Bay, Wrexham and Bangor. Another 8 towns will also be able to benefit in the early stages of the programme and these include Holywell and Shotton. Although resources for the programme are limited development work is underway on potential projects for inclusion.

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ACTION	LEAD OFFICER	STATUS	START DATE	END DATE	COMPLETE %	PROGRESS RAG	OUTCOME RAG
and local transport strategy and initiatives	Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	In Progress	•	31-Mar-2019	50.00%	GREEN	GREEN

ACTION PROGRESS COMMENTS:

All current transport proposals under development form part of the wider North Wales Growth Vision which seeks to promote economic growth across the region. In the Flintshire context transport proposals focus on enabling residents to access employment opportunities to spread the benefits of economic growth.

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Performance Indicators

No KPIs identified

Risks

Strategic Risks

RISK TITLE	LEAD OFFICER	SUPPORTING OFFICERS	INITIAL RISK RATING	CURRENT RISK RATING	TREND ARROW	RISK STATUS
Infrastructure investment does not keep pace with needs and business is lost to the economy	Andrew Farrow - Chief Officer - Planning, Environment and Economy	Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	Amber	Amber	*	Open

Potential Effect: Infrastructure is essential to facilitating economic growth in Flintshire. If infrastructure is not improved then investment opportunities will be jeopardised and new jobs will not be created. Overloaded infrastructure will also increase the likelihood of business investment being lost to better serviced areas. **Management Controls:** i) The Council will play a leading role in regional structures promoting economic growth.

ii) The Council will set out a clear plan for local infrastructure to meet regional and local needs.

Progress Comment: The North Wales Growth Deal will include a package of strategic infrastructure investment projects. At local level the Deeside Plan sets out a strategy for transport investment to maximise the benefit of economic growth. Welsh Government has already announced major investment in strategic road infrastructure and in public transport to help deliver this strategy.

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RISK TITLE	LEAD OFFICER	SUPPORTING OFFICERS	INITIAL RISK RATING	CURRENT RISK RATING	TREND ARROW	RISK STATUS
Support for businesses in Flintshire doesn't meet their needs and fails to encourage investment		Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	Amber	Amber	‡	Open

Potential Effect: Businesses feedback that they highly value the service provided by the Council to help them to navigate wider support and overcome barriers to growth. Business networking activity delivered by the Council also assist businesses to work and trade together. Reduction of this support may make the County less successful as a location for business.

Management Controls: i) The Council will continue to engage businesses and help them to access support.

ii) The Council will provide opportunities for businesses to network and support one another.

Progress Comment: The business development service in Flintshire remains responsive to business needs. The Council works closely alongside Welsh Government and other agencies to provide a co-ordinated service. The Council continues to support business networking activities through fora in various locations in the County including the Deeside Business Forum which regularly attracts over 100 businesses to their events.

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RISK TITLE	LEAD OFFICER	SUPPORTING OFFICERS	INITIAL RISK RATING	CURRENT RISK RATING	TREND ARROW	RISK STATUS
The stability of local and sub-regional economies		Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	Amber	Amber	*	Open

Potential Effect: Instability in the local and regional economies would lead to reduced business investment and significant job losses.

Management Controls: Maintain an intelligence base on potential risks and mitigation measures.

Progress Comment: The Council continues to monitor changes and trends in the UK and regional economies that may have an impact on Flintshire's economy. The main area of uncertainty, Brexit, remains difficult to predict and quantify whilst the negotiated settlement with the European Union remains unknown.

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RISK TITLE	LEAD OFFICER	SUPPORTING OFFICERS	INITIAL RISK RATING	CURRENT RISK RATING	TREND ARROW	RISK STATUS
The region having a sufficient voice at Welsh Government and UK Government levels to protect its interests	Andrew Farrow - Chief Officer - Planning, Environment and Economy	Niall Waller - Service Manager - Enterprise and Regeneration	Amber	Yellow	•	Open

Potential Effect: Decisions are taken on national and regional economic issues, infrastructure investment or other programmes which do not meet the needs of the Flintshire economy.

Management Controls: Play a major role in the North Wales Economic Ambition Board, Mersey Dee Alliance and the Rail Task Force.

Progress Comment: The Council has a lead role in developing the role and functions of the North Wales Economic Ambition Board and is closely involved in the work of the Mersey Dee Alliance. The Council also represents the region on the Rail Task Force and supports the All Party Parliamentary Group on transport. The Council is closely involved in the development of the outline projects for the regional Growth Deal and both the Leader of the Council and Chief Executive play a leading role in the development of the new shadow Joint Committee for North Wales. Negotiations with UK and Welsh Governments are progressing to plan.

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