

SBCD PROJECT PROGRESS UPDATE

December 2018



Digital Infrastructure - Regional Project Project Authority Lead Carmarthenshire County Council

Business Plan Update

- Full Business Case in development with an expected completion date of end February 2019
- Regular meetings have been scheduled between Regional Office, CUBE and Mike Galvin to ensure progress is on track

Project Update

- Meeting held between Mike Galvin, Three and Factory of the Future with future areas of cooperation identified
- Mike Galvin represented the SBCD region at a WG 5G Workshop to identify Welsh opportunities for 5G and also indicate funding priorities, and also a WG Infrastructure Workshop which reviewed common infrastructure investment opportunities with WG and across regions

Other

- SBCD Region submitting a separate LFFN funding bid before the entry closing date of 14th December - this is being developed by CUBE

Initial draft Full Business Case to be submitted to RO end December 2018

Swansea City & Waterfront Digital District - Project Authority Lead Swansea Council

Business Plan Update

- Meeting with Welsh and UK Government held recently to discuss the draft business case
- Following feedback from the two governments, the business case is now being prepared to reflect comments and suggestions made.

Project Update

Box Village and Innovation Precinct

- The University has entered into a development agreement with its private sector partner to take forward the delivery of the Box Village
- Advanced funding is in place covering the project design and planning submission for Box Village
- Contractor appointed and now progressing design for planning submission (two stage design and construct)
- Submission of planning application in December 2018
- Commencement of construction programmed for March 2019
- Practical completion programmed for September 2019

Digital Village

- The Kingsway has been cleared for Christmas trading following the switch of traffic to new carriageways and work is continuing on east Orchard Street to commence new landscaped areas
- Detailed design of Digital Village is now commencing

Digital Square & Arena

- Entering pre-contract services agreement with the primary contractor for Digital Square & Arena
- Advanced construction enabling works progressing

Draft 5 Case Business Model well developed - final review underway

Yr Egin - Project Authority Lead Carmarthenshire County Council

Business Plan Update

- Business Case being finalised to take on board comments from the two governments

Project Update

- Phase 1 iconic Yr Egin building formally opened on the 25th October
- Commencement of design/ECI tenders for Phase 2 scheduled for December 2018.
- Phase 2 commencement of construction planned for December 2019
- Phase 2 completion planned for March 2021

Draft 5 Case Business Model well developed - final review underway

CENGS - Project Authority Lead Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

CENGS - Swansea Bay Technology Centre (Capital):

Business Plan Update

- Business case being finalised – due for submission to RO end December 2018
- WEFO ERDF P4.4 match funding confirmed - £3m

Project Update

- Finalising design and technology specification for the 'building as a power station' to prepare Design and Build contract
- Two stage procurement exercise to commence Jan 2019
- Planning application / approval June 2019 – Sept 2019
- Construction period Autumn 2019 – end 2020
- Building identified as an 'Active Building' in Swansea University's successful Active Building Centre proposal (Challenge Fund)

CENGS - Organisation (Revenue):

Business Plan Update

- Business case in development - anticipated submission to RO end June 19

Project Update

- Met with Satellite Application Catapult to discuss synergies
- On-going engagement with WG to discuss synergies with other data / analytics activity
- Following a soft market testing exercise, the project team will carry out a procurement exercise to appoint an organisation to run the CENGS organisation
- Private sector investment will be identified during the implementation of the project through licences etc.

First draft version Business Case for *Technology Centre (Capital element)* - to be submitted to RO end December 18

First draft version Business Case for *Operational Element (Revenue)* - anticipated submission to RO end June 19

Skills and Talent - Regional - Project Authority Lead Carmarthenshire County Council

Business Plan Update

- Following feedback from the governments on the draft version Full Business case, Project Lead has drafted an addendum to the plan - this has been submitted to the governments by Regional Office
- Delivery of the Skills & Talent project will align with the eleven SBCD projects
- Regional Learning & Skills Partnership has worked closely with WG's Policy advisors on its content

Project Update

- Work continues with schools across the region and specific schemes have been identified to raise the skills of young people required by the City Deal projects.
- Working with a private sector partner to develop a basic financial skills project to be rolled out across all schools in the region
- Working with secondary schools (Carmarthenshire as a pilot) on a specific Welsh Baccalaureate for post 16 students with a specific area of work for students to work on around the City Deal projects
- A pre-16 package has also been developed and distributed to schools in Carmarthenshire
- Training Solutions Committee are working on the skills gaps and identifying solutions for the skills gaps within the region
- RSLP have been engaged with industry across the region to highlight the City Deal and ensure that any skills gaps identified meet with the wider needs of businesses across the region

Awaiting feedback from the UKG & WG on supplementary information provided by the Project Lead

Homes as Power Stations - Regional Project Project Authority Lead Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

Business Plan Update

- Governments have recently provided high level reflections on the initial draft Outline Business Case submitted by the Project Lead, to assist in the development of a draft Full Business Case

Project Update

- Pathfinder / proof of concept development at Neath (former care home Hafod site) on site, construction commenced. This is a collaborative partnership between Neath Port Talbot CBC, Pobl and Specific (Swansea University)

Project Lead addressing comments received from the two governments

Life Science and Well-being Campuses - Project Authority Lead Swansea Council

Business Plan Update

- Regional Office feedback on initial draft business case submitted to Swansea University, Project Lead, in July 2018
- Project Lead continuing to develop initial draft full business case

Project Update

- Project will focus on the two sites at Morriston and Singleton to create new Research, Development & Innovation facilities

Project Lead to send revised Full Business Case to Regional Office - anticipated January 2019

Life Science and Well-being Village Project Authority Lead Carmarthenshire County Council

Business Plan Update

- Project Lead has addressed a number of clarification questions from WG and UKG on the FBC
- A whole site business/financial plan is under development - a first draft is targeted for December

Project Update

- The design development work for Phase 1 of the Wellness Village is progressing to project timeline
- All project stakeholders have been engaged in the drafting of a buildings brief, which will underpin the initial concept design. A target date of end-January has been set for completion of RIBA Stage 2
- Outline Planning application will be considered at an Extraordinary Planning Committee on Thursday 10th January, 2019

Other

- Project has recently hosted a number of delegations from Economic Strategy Board, Department for International Trade (DIT), Welsh Government, and UK Government Office for Life Sciences
- The Village has been selected by the DIT as a High Potential Opportunity (HPO) project and will feature in a Welsh portfolio to market to investors abroad

Draft 5 Case Business Model well developed - final review underway

Pembroke Dock Marine - Project Authority Lead Pembrokeshire CC

Business Plan Update

- PDM project team (led by Milford Haven Port Authority) revising draft full business case following meeting in Pembroke Dock with the governments, Regional Office and Pembrokeshire County Council on 28th September, 2018
- Supplementary information provided by the PDM project team on 29th November has been forwarded by Regional Office to the two governments for review and feedback

Project Update

- Marine Energy Testing Areas (META) - Project Design Envelope and site selection has been finalised
- META - Scoping submitted to NRW on November 16th
- META - Public exhibitions to be held in Pembrokeshire on 4th - 6th Dec and 11th - 12th Dec 18
- Pembroke Dock Improvements (PDI) - Hangar Annex Planning Applications submitted
- PDI - Framework contractors contacted for Fee Proposals to carry out design feasibility of Slipway build, graving dock infill and access assessment between the two assets, Timber pond infill method, and a swept path analysis for the transport corridor between Gate 1 & Gate 4

Awaiting feedback from the UKG & WG on supplementary information provided

Factory of the Future - Project Authority Lead Neath Port Talbot CBC

Business Plan Update

- Currently undergoing Swansea University approval
- Intending to submit to Neath Port Talbot Council early December

Project Update

- Building scale and adjacencies agreed with industry partners and end users
- Procurement approach identified
- Pre-Planning surveys completed
- Land – currently being discussed with WG Ministers
- Private Sector investment announcement imminent
- Late stage collaboration agreement discussions with 5G technology provider ongoing

Revised draft Business Case to be submitted to Regional Office anticipated in Jan 19

Steel Science - Project Authority Lead Neath Port Talbot CBC

Business Plan Update

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