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This **Impact Assessment (IA)** toolkit, incorporates a range of legislative requirements that support effective decision making and ensure compliance with all relevant legislation. **Draft versions of the assessment should be watermarked as "Draft" and retained for completeness. However, only the final version will be made publicly available. Draft versions may be provided to regulators if appropriate. In line with Council policy IAs should be retained for 7 years.**

Service Area	Economic Development & Regeneration	Senior Manager	Jenni Thomas / Gareth Jones	Head of Service	Nina Davies	Portfolio Holder	Clr James Evans
Proposal	Integrated Business Plan						
Outline Summary / Description of Proposal							
Achievement of a growth deal for the Mid Wales Region, in partnership with Ceredigion CC, Central and Welsh Government and Private Sector Business.							
In partnership with Ceredigion County Council we are submitting an OLT proposal for ESF Priority 5 funding to the Welsh Government. This funding would enable both Councils to cover resource costs for the programme office. If the bid were to be unsuccessful, a restructure of the Service would be required in order to meet the reduced costs required.							

1. Version Control (services should consider the impact assessment early in the development process and continually evaluate)

Version	Author	Job Title	Date
V01	Lisa Griffiths	Senior Manager Economic Development & Regeneration	07 August 2019
V02	Nina Davies	Head of Housing & Community Development	13 th January 2020

2. Profile of savings delivery (if applicable)

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	TOTAL
£	£	£325,723	£25,000	£	£

3. Consultation requirements

Consultation Requirement	Consultation deadline/or justification for no consultation
No consultation required (please provide justification)	Dependant on outcome of grant funding.

4. Impact on Other Service Areas




**Does the proposal have potential to impact on another service area? (Have you considered the implications on Health & Safety, Corporate Parenting and Data Protection?)
PLEASE ENSURE YOU INFORM / ENGAGE ANY AFFECTED SERVICE AREAS AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY**

Colleagues in Corporate Property and Housing. The team supports services from across PCC in terms of advice and support.

5. How does your proposal impact on the council's strategic vision?

Council Priority	How does the proposal impact on this priority?	<u>IMPACT</u> Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	<u>IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION</u> Please select from drop down box below
The Economy We will develop a vibrant economy	If the ESF5 grant funding bid is application is successful this would support the region's ambitions in developing a vibrant economy. If not, there would be significant redundancies from the team, which would have a significant negative impact on this priority.	Unknown	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Health and Care We will lead the way in effective, integrated rural health and care	The work carried out by the ED&R team supports the Authorities Health and Care programme, particularly through the achievement of the outcomes proposed within the Economy programme. The impact will be very negative without the necessary budget and resource in the ED&R team.	Unknown	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Learning and skills We will strengthen learning and skills	The work carried out by the ED&R team supports the Authorities Learning and Skills programme, particularly through the achievement of the outcomes proposed within the Economy programme. The impact will be very negative without the necessary budget and resource in the ED&R team	Unknown	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Residents and Communities We will support our residents and communities	The work carried out by the ED&R team supports the Authorities Residents and Communities programme, particularly through the achievement of the outcomes proposed within the Economy programme. The impact will be very negative without the necessary budget and resource in the ED&R team	Unknown	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good

Source of Outline Evidence to support judgements

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<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Master Copy Strategic Economic Framework for Action </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Growing Mid Wales </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Programme Brief Economyv0.3.docx </div> </div>				

6. How does your proposal impact on the Welsh Government’s well-being goals?

Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
<p>A prosperous Wales: An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.</p>	<p>Providing effective support and suitable premises will enable existing businesses to grow, generating wealth and jobs. Supporting vocational training and apprenticeships will provide opportunities for people to develop their skills and meet local business needs.</p> <p>Promoting Powys as a tourism destination will support existing businesses, generate new business opportunities and create jobs.</p> <p>Supporting the delivery of improved digital connectivity and helping businesses to take advantage of the technology will generate greater economic opportunities.</p> <p>Transport is a Key Driver for the economy, especially in Mid-Wales which is a rural county with many SMEs across the county. Transport relies on good infrastructure and a high standard of frequent transport services. Currently the Regional Transport Plan, Marches & Mid Wales Freight strategy and National Transport Plan set out the aspirations for a range of interventions and schemes for all modes of Transport.</p>	<p>Good</p>		<p>Good</p>
<p>A resilient Wales: A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).</p>	<p>Our economic activities will respect our environment and help manage and conserve our landscapes. Our new 'Home Grown Homes' project will use locally grown timber building products reducing the environmental impact of our house building. Increased forestry will also help alleviate flooding by absorbing water and CO2 reducing the causes of climate change.</p>	<p>Good</p>		<p>Good</p>

Well-being Goal	How does proposal contribute to this goal?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
<p>A healthier Wales: A society in which people’s physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.</p> <p>Public Health (Wales) Act, 2017: Part 6 of the Act requires for public bodies to undertake a health impact assessment to assess the likely effect of a proposed action or decision on the physical or mental health of the people of Wales.</p>	<p>Using our influence to develop a healthy and enterprising economy with good quality job opportunities and good quality housing will be major contributors to improving social and mental well-being.</p>	<p>Good</p>		<p>Good</p>
<p>A Wales of cohesive communities: Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected Communities.</p>	<p>Supporting local events and festivals will help to strengthen communities and bring cultures together.</p>	<p>Good</p>		<p>Good</p>
<p>A globally responsible Wales: A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.</p> <p>Human Rights - is about being proactive (see guidance)</p> <p>UN Convention on the Rights of the Child: The Convention gives rights to everyone under the age of 18, which include the right to be treated fairly and to be protected from discrimination; that organisations act for the best interest of the child; the right to life, survival and development; and the right to be heard.</p>	<p>Better access to improved digital connectivity will provide global market opportunities for Powys businesses.</p>	<p>Good</p>		<p>Good</p>

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A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language: A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.				
<i>Opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language, and treating the Welsh language no less favourable than the English language</i>	A vibrant economy has the potential to enable greater opportunities for all, all PCC policies to be adhered to in terms of the Welsh language.	Good		Neutral
<i>Opportunities to promote the Welsh language</i>	All opportunities to be taken to promote the Welsh language.	Neutral		Neutral
<i>Welsh Language impact on staff</i>	None known	Neutral		Neutral
<i>People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation.</i>	A vibrant economy has the potential to enable greater opportunities for all and that would include sport, art and recreation.	Good		Neutral
A more equal Wales: A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).				
Age	The Mid Wales Growth Deal has the potential to drive forward a more vibrant and diverse local economy, which would benefit all. As no programmes or projects are as yet identified, it is not possible at this stage to predict what impact they may or may not have on any protected characteristics. However, if the ESF funding was not forthcoming, a reduction in the core team would have a negative impact on service delivery.	Unknown		Neutral
Disability	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Gender reassignment	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Marriage or civil partnership	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Race	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Religion or belief	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Sex	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Sexual Orientation	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Pregnancy and Maternity	As above	Unknown		Neutral
Source of Outline Evidence to support judgements				
Economy Programme Brief. Growing Mid Wales Framework for Action				

7. How does your proposal impact on the council's other key guiding principles?

Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Sustainable Development Principle (5 ways of working)				
Long Term: <i>Looking to the long term so that we do not compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.</i>	The work carried out by the ED&R team supports the Authorities Vision 2025 programme, particularly through the achievement of the outcomes proposed within the Economy programme. The potential Growth Deal is all about planning for the long term future of the region. The impact will be negative without the necessary budget and resource in the ED&R team.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Collaboration: <i>Working with others in a collaborative way to find shared sustainable solutions.</i>	The ED&R team collaborate with partners internal and external to PCC. Any reduction in the team would have a negative impact.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Involvement (including Communication and Engagement): <i>Involving a diversity of the population in the decisions that affect them.</i>	The team communicate and engage with stakeholders across the county, especially local businesses. If the team was to be reduced this involvement would reduce.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Prevention: <i>Understanding the root causes of issues to prevent them from occurring.</i>	The team communicate and engage with stakeholders across the county. If the team was to be reduced, this involvement would reduce and therefore knowledge and understanding in terms of prevention would be limited.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Integration: <i>Taking an integrated approach so that public bodies look at all the well-being goals in deciding on their well-being objectives.</i>	The work carried out by the ED&R team supports the Authorities Vision 2025 programme and integrated approach to working with other public and private bodies in order to achieve goals and objectives. A reduction in the team would have a negative impact on this principle.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good

Principle	How does the proposal impact on this principle?	IMPACT Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	IMPACT AFTER MITIGATION Please select from drop down box below
Preventing Poverty: Prevention, including helping people into work and mitigating the impact of poverty.	The team currently run and support projects to help people back into work. The priority of the team is to drive economic development and regeneration in Powys, which in turn reduces and mitigates the impact of poverty. A reduced team would have a negative impact.	Poor	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Good
Unpaid Carers: Ensuring that unpaid carers views are sought and taken into account	Unknown	Unknown		Neutral
Safeguarding: Preventing and responding to abuse and neglect of children, young people and adults with health and social care needs who can't protect themselves.	Unknown.	Unknown		Neutral
Impact on Powys County Council Workforce	If the ESF funding bid is unsuccessful there would be a restructure of the team, which may result in job changes/losses.	Poor	PCC policies to be followed and support offered. Redeployment could be an option.	Poor

Source of Outline Evidence to support judgements

Economy Programme Brief.
Growing Mid Wales Framework for Action
AECOM Report

8. What is the impact of this proposal on our communities?

Severity of Impact on Communities	Scale of impact	Overall Impact
Medium	Medium	Medium
Mitigation		
A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts		

9. How likely are you to successfully implement the proposed change?

Impact on Service / Council	Risk to delivery of the proposal	Inherent Risk
Medium	High	Medium

Mitigation

Risk Identified	Inherent Risk Rating	Mitigation	Residual Risk Rating
A reduction in the ED&R team would prevent the achievement of key objectives, in particular the development of the Regional Economic Action Plan and successful access to growth deal funding.	High	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Low
Being unable to build a vibrant economy either through the Growing Mid Wales partnership or through our own economic development and regeneration activities for the county of Powys, will have a negative impact on council services, staff and residents in many ways as outlined throughout this assessment.	High	A successful application for ESF 5 funding would mitigate potential negative impacts	Low

Overall judgement (to be included in project risk register)			
Very High Risk	High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
		X	

10. Overall Summary and Judgement of this Impact Assessment?

Outline Assessment (to be inserted in cabinet report)	Cabinet Report Reference:
The ED&R team supports a very extensive number of small and large development projects that make a huge difference to the ongoing delivery of the Powys economy and the maintenance of our public spaces and our supporting infrastructure. A reduction in the team would have a negative ability on the aims and objectives of Vision 2025, particularly for the Economy. A successful ESF bid would mitigate the impact of such potential losses	

11. Is there additional evidence to support the Impact Assessment (IA)?

What additional evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?
Economy Programme Brief. Growing Mid Wales Framework for Action AECOM Report

12. On-going monitoring arrangements?

What arrangements will be put in place to monitor the impact over time?
Transformation Board
Please state when this Impact Assessment will be reviewed.

Annually

13. Sign Off

Position	Name	Signature	Date
Impact Assessment Lead:			August 2019
Head of Service:	Nina Davies		August 2019
Director:	Nigel Brinn		August 2019
Portfolio Holder:	Cllr James Evans		

14. Governance

Decision to be made by	Choose an item.	Date required

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