

Meeting:	MID WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE
Date of Meeting:	12 October, 2023
Title of Report:	Report on Membership of the Sub-Committees – Bannau Brycheiniog
Purpose of Report:	To provide a formal response to Bannau Brycheiniog following a request at the meeting of the CJC on the 31 July, 2023 for additional representation on the Regional Transport Planning and Economic Wellbeing Sub Committees of the CJC
Decision Sought:	To note the content of the Report and agree the recommendation in that Members and/or Officers from Bannau Brycheiniog are not included in the Regional Transport Planning and Economic Wellbeing Sub- Committees of the Mid Wales Corporate Joint Committee
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1. Introduction

This Report provides a formal response to the Chair of Bannau Brycheiniog, Councillor Gareth Ratcliffe, following a request made at the last Corporate Joint Committee (CJC) meeting on 31 July, 2023 for Bannau Brycheiniog to be represented on the Regional Transport Planning and Economic Well-being Sub-Committees of the CJC.

2. Background

In accordance with the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, Corporate Joint Committee Regulations 2021 part 3 – Membership, the following is noted:

- 1. The Members of the Mid Wales CJC are:
 - (a) The two Council Members; and
 - (b)The Bannau Brycheiniog Member

- 2. The Members are entitled to vote in relation to any matter to be decided by the Mid Wales CJC.
- 3. But paragraph (2) applies to the Bannau Brycheiniog Members only to the extent that the matter to be decided is about strategic planning functions.

3. Decision

At the meeting of the Mid Wales CJC held on 4 July, 2022 the membership of the Sub-Committees was approved which included representatives from Bannau Brycheiniog – Councillor Gareth Ratcliffe and Councillor Edwin Roderick together with Gareth Jones, Director of Planning and Place and Helen Lucocq, Planning and Policy Manager co-opted on the Strategic Development Planning Sub-Committee. In addition, Bannau Brycheiniog have been co-opted onto the Governance and Audit Sub-Committee where they hold two seats.

As per the following recommendation from the last CJC meeting dated 31 July, 2023:

"It was agreed that Officers would meet separately, look at the legality and agree the way forward and bring back to the next meeting in October 2023"

I would like to take this opportunity to report that Officers, including the Monitoring and Section 151 Officers of the CJC, have met to discuss the matter.

The consensus reached by the CJC Officers is that if there is a particular topic of relevance being discussed in the Regional Transport Planning or Economic Wellbeing Sub-Committee then representatives from Bannau Brycheiniog would be invited to attend but as per the legislation, they would not have any voting powers.

4. Recommendation

It is **Recommended** that Members and/or Officers from Bannau Brycheiniog are not included in the Regional Transport Planning and Economic Well-being Sub-Committees of the Mid Wales Corporate Joint Committee.