Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal Joint Committee

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Work Programme for City Region Deal Joint Committee

Item number 5.1

Executive Summary

This paper outlines the planned dates for City Region Deal business case approvals by Joint Committee.

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Report

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1. **Recommendations**

1.1 To note the planned dates for future business for the City Region Deal Joint Committee.

2. Background

- 2.1 Considerable progress has been made since the 15-year Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal was signed in August 2018, with all but one business case having been approved by the Joint Committee.
- 2.2 This report sets out Joint Committee business to the end of 2023. Focus is increasingly being given to reporting on the benefits arising from projects and programmes that are in delivery and ensuring that outcomes and targets are being met.

3. Main report

3.1 The work programme for Joint Committee meetings to the end of 2023 is shown in Table 1:

Joint Committee Date	Reports or presentations for consideration
3 March 2023	 Updated Standing Orders for the Joint Committee City Region Deal Programme Benefits Realisation Measurement Framework Data-Driven Innovation Programme Annual Update (presentation) Regional Prosperity Delivery Framework Revised Draft National Planning Framework 4 – City Region Deal partners' response to the representations STPR2 – Progressing regional interventions
2 June 2023	 A720 Sheriffhall six-monthly update from Transport Scotland Transport Programme Annual Update Bus Partnership Fund Strategic Business Case Internal Audit of Integrated Employer Engagement Programme and Forward Audit Plan.
1 September 2023	 West Edinburgh Transport Improvement Plan Outline Business Case Culture Programme Annual Update City Region Deal Benefits Realisation Update City Region Deal Annual Report 22/23
1 December 2023	 A720 Sheriffhall six-monthly update from Transport Scotland Borders Innovation Park – Revised Business Case for Phases 2 and 3 Integrated Regional Employability and Skills Programme annual update Regional Housing Programme Annual Update

3.2 The A720 City Bypass grade separation of Sheriffhall Roundabout is being managed and delivered by Transport Scotland. Transport Scotland provide updates on progress to the Transport Appraisal Board every six weeks, as well as the Executive Board and Joint Committee every six months.

4. Financial impact

4.1 There is no financial impact relating to this report. Financial cases are being set out in detail in the respective business cases. Financial contributions that are required by partner organisations for projects are being requested in separate reports to councils or courts prior to being taken to Joint Committee for approval.

5. Alignment with Sustainable, Inclusive Growth Ambitions

- 5.1 Inclusion and sustainability are key drivers for the City Region Deal, and strategic added value scores have been included for each project. Business cases for projects included demonstrate how they will reduce inequalities and tackle the inclusion challenges specific to the city region.
- 5.2 The <u>City Region Deal Benefits Realisation Plan</u> (BRP) was approved on 4 September 2020. This incorporates indicators that align with the Scottish Government's Inclusive Growth Framework. The impact on equalities, human rights and sustainability will also be measured.
- 5.3 A benefits realisation measurement framework is being taken to this Joint Committee meeting. This provides the overall structure, approach, and methodology for benefits measurement for the City Region Deal. Six-monthly updates on benefits realisation are scheduled thereafter. Annual updates are programmed for each of the five themes.
- 5.4 Scottish and UK Government provided joint guidance for project owners on managing potential carbon emissions associated with Scottish City Region and Regional Growth Deal projects. It accords with HM Treasury Green Book requirements and supports the quantification and minimisation of whole life carbon and the identification of potential barriers to achieving net zero. This will form an important part of regular reporting through the Benefits Realisation Plan.

6. Background reading/external references

6.1 <u>City Region Deal Document</u>: August 2018

7. Appendices

None.