

Policy Forum for Wales keynote seminar
Next steps for City and Growth Deals in Wales

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 9.05 **Next steps for implementing City and Growth Deals in Wales and what has been learnt so far**
Councillor Rob Stewart, Leader, Swansea Council
Councillor Huw Thomas, Leader, Cardiff Council
Councillor Rosemarie Harris, Leader, Powys Council
Senior representative, North Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.05 Break
- 10.15 **Developing effective proposals going forward - governance, consensus, and collaboration**
Professor Mark Barry, Professor of Practice in Connectivity, School of Geography and Planning, Cardiff University
Andrew Kerr, Chief Executive, The City of Edinburgh Council
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, business
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
- 11.10 **Key issues for delivering projects - developing infrastructure, securing funding, and ensuring effective project management**
Senior representative, infrastructure
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, technology
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 Break
- 11.50 **Supporting economic development across Wales - sustainable growth, building the skills base, developing centres of research and excellence, and meeting business and community needs**
Professor David Worsley, Research Director, Swansea University
Richard Williams, Chief Executive, Community Foundation Wales
Martin Jardine, Director of Agri Food, Grŵp Llandrillo Menai
Councillor Jane Mudd, Leader, Newport City Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Priorities for City and Growth Deals in Wales - development and supporting delivery**
Senior representatives, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Senior Member of the Senedd
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Policy Forum for Wales