

Policy Forum for Wales keynote seminar
City and Growth Deals in Wales: progress and next steps for delivery
Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 21st April 2020



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon the Lord Davies of Gower
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Assessing agreed and prospective City and Growth Deals in Wales - the current state of play**
Professor Martin Jones, Deputy Vice Chancellor and Professor of Human Geography, Staffordshire University and Founding Co-Director, Wales Institute of Social and Economic Research, Data and Methods
Jean Church, National Chair, Institute of Directors Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.15 **Developing proposals going forward - governance, consensus, and collaboration**
Councillor Rosemarie Harris, Leader, Powys County Council

Senior representative, council

Senior representative, jurisdiction outside Wales

Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 - 10.20 **Chair's closing remarks**
Rt Hon the Lord Davies of Gower
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- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Assembly Member
- 10.35 - 11.15 **Key issues for delivering projects: developing infrastructure, securing funding, and ensuring effective project management**
Councillor Rob Stewart, Leader, City & County of Swansea Council

Professor Mark Barry, Professor of Practice in Connectivity, School of Geography and Planning, Cardiff University

Senior representative, auditors

Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 - 11.25 Break
- 11.25 - 12.10 **Supporting economic development, promoting skills, and developing research centres**
Sarah John, Director, ALS Training and Member, Executive Board, National Training Federation Wales
Brian Edy, Director, Steel & Metals Institute, Swansea University
Dr Barry Walters, Principal, Pembrokeshire College
Heather Myers, Chief Executive, South Wales Chamber of Commerce
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 - 12.20 Break
- 12.20 - 12.55 **Progress and prospects for City and Growth Deals in Wales**
David Rosser, Chief Regional Officer, South East Wales, Welsh Government
Louise Parry, Deputy Director of Policy, Office of the Secretary of State for Wales
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Senior Assembly Member
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Policy Forum for Wales