



**DECISION NOTICE**  
**14 05 21**

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**SUBJECT**

Item 5: 2020-21 OUT-TURN REPORT AND ANNUAL RETURN

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**DECISION**

Note and accept the Joint Committee's Revenue Income and Expenditure Account for 2020/21.

Approve the Joint Committee's Official Annual Return for 2020/21 (subject to External Audit), in line with the statutory deadline of 31 May 2021. The Annual Return has been duly completed and certified by the Responsible Financial Officer, namely Gwynedd Council's Head of Finance, as the Statutory Finance Officer for the Joint Committee. The Chair was authorised to sign the Annual Return in order to confirm that the Joint Committee has approved the financial statements therein.

Approve the transfer of the £241,023 underspend to the earmarked reserve.

Allocate the £4,853 interest received on the £16m grant against future borrowing costs.

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**REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED**

The Joint Committee must be aware of its financial position for 2020-21 and comply with the statutory requirements with regard to completing the Official Annual Return of Wales Audit, which is the usual procedure for reporting on Joint Committee accounts and income and expenditure less than £2.5 million.

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

No declarations of personal interest were received.

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**ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

The Executive Support Group were consulted.

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The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which have been included in the report.

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Item 6: NORTH WALES GROWTH DEAL - QUARTER 4 AND ANNUAL REPORTS

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**DECISION**

Note the Quarter 4 Performance Report, updated Portfolio Risk Register and the Portfolio Management Office Annual Report for 2020-21.

Agree on the format of the quarterly report and identify improvements for future iterations.

Approve the submission of the Quarter 4 Performance Report and the Portfolio Management Office Annual Report for 2020-21 to Welsh Government and UK Government as well as the local authority scrutiny committees.

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**REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED**

In December 2020, the NWEAB and the Welsh and UK Governments agreed the Final Deal Agreement for the North Wales Growth Deal.

Regular reporting on progress against the North Wales Growth Deal is a requirement of the Final Deal Agreement.

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

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Item 8: MORLAIS OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE

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**DECISION**

Approve the Outline Business Case for the Morlais project and, subject to Welsh and UK Government approval of the assurance process undertaken, Menter Môn addressing the matters set out in Section 7 of the report, request that a Full Business Case is prepared for the Board to consider following the completion of the procurement process and the consenting process.

Note that the final funding arrangements for the project which will form the basis of the Grant Offer Letter will be agreed at the Full Business Case stage and authorise the Portfolio Director, in consultation with the Board Section 151 Officer and Monitoring Officer, to agree draft terms for approval by the Board.

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**REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED**

As per the Final Deal agreement, business cases are to be developed for each project within the Growth Deal, in line with the 'Better Business Case' guidance developed by Welsh Government and HM Treasury. The Board's approval is required for each business case to enable the project to move to the next phase.

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

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