



## What are Corporate Joint Committees (CJs)?

CJs are regional bodies that have been established in Wales to improve economic prosperity throughout the areas they cover for the benefit of residents and businesses.

Here in South West Wales, our CJC (SWWCJC) covers Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire and Swansea. In respect of some development planning functions, both Pembrokeshire National Park and Brecon Beacons National Park are also members.

The SWWCJC is working to ensure regional alignment in a number of key sectors to make the most of shared strengths and opportunities. This will help create more jobs in South West Wales, while also helping the region further cut its carbon footprint and attract more investment in future.

Formally created in January 2022, the SWWCJC includes the Leaders of Carmarthenshire Council, Neath Port Talbot Council, Pembrokeshire Council and Swansea Council, as well as senior representatives of The Brecon Beacons and Pembrokeshire National Park authorities.

Introduced by the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, the SWWCJC is one of four such bodies in Wales.

## What do we want to achieve?

The SWWCJC aims to deliver its vision for South West Wales 2035.

Over the next five years, it will build on strong regional partnership arrangements already in place to make progress in key areas including:

- Further developing regional strategic planning for transport;
- Delivering regional aspirations for energy and economic development, and
- Preparations for the region's first ever strategic development plan.

Three well-being objectives have been set to guide the SWWCJC's initial work, although these will be reviewed as its work matures to ensure they're continuously fit for purpose.



## What's the draft corporate plan?

Now out for consultation, the plan includes information on the SWWCJC's 2035 vision, the SWWCJC's three well-being objectives and the sectors that the SWWCJC is focusing on.

Once approved, the plan will guide the work of the SWWCJC and enable progress to be regularly monitored and evaluated.

## Why should I give my feedback?

We all have a shared interest in making our region more enterprising, ambitious and sustainable. Realising these goals is important to people now, while also helping leave a positive long-term legacy for future generations.

## How can I have my say?

Please complete the online questionnaire available [here](#) by the deadline of 23:59 on Wednesday March 8 2023.

You can view the Draft Plan [here](#)

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## Next Steps

All views submitted during the consultation period will be reviewed to help inform a consultation report. This report will then be considered by the SWWCJC's Members when they meet to determine the potential approval of the corporate plan.