

**A Framework for Regional Investment in Wales**

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**Question 1: What are your views on the proposed model where:**

* **strategic, pan-Wales initiatives are co-ordinated at national level; and**
* **designated regional bodies design and deliver their own programmes of investment aligned with national-level policy?**

**Question 2**: **Do you support our proposals for some investments to be led by the community in which the activity takes place?**

**Question 3**: **Do you agree that we should continue to increase our use of repayable finance where this is viable and, where it is not, that models of combined support that maximise the repayable element should be developed?**

**Question 4**: **What are your views on our plans for the transition period?**

**Question 5**: **How best can we integrate the horizontal themes of equality, sustainable development, gender mainstreaming and the Welsh Language into investments delivered at national, regional and local levels?**

**Question 6**: **How best can we increase the use of the Welsh language through our proposals for regional investment, and ensure it is treated no less favourably than the English language?**

**Question 7**: **What are your views on the proposed delivery model for the strengthening of partnerships, co-operation and trade across borders, within the UK and with international partners?**

**Question 8: What do you think of the proposed strategic objectives across the four investment priority areas? Are there other objectives that should be considered?**

Question 9: Which indicators do you think should be used to measure progress towards achieving the proposed strategic objectives?

**Question 10: What are your views on the approach described in ‘Fair, transparent, and consistent rules’?**

Question 11: Should the capacity to deliver the monitoring and evaluation proposals be prioritised?

**Question 12: Do you agree with the proposal outlined for development of monitoring and evaluation at the regional and local level?**

Question 13: We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this consultation to address them.

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If responding by post or email, please include your name, organisation (if applicable), phone number and address along with your response. Thank you.

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