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City Deal for Cardiff Capital Region – A Partnership Meeting

I am writing to invite you to a meeting to discuss our shared ambition for the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal project announced at Budget in March this year.

I am pleased that initial discussions held between Cardiff Council and the UK Government prior to the election were positive and I am keen to ensure that we do not lose momentum around this excellent opportunity. Now would seem an opportune moment to agree the collective aspirations and needs of the wider region; using these to shape a robust Deal that delivers the biggest economic and social impact it can.

It is my view that the Deal needs to be lead by local partners and I want us to be able to work together to establish a common vision that each council in the region can sign up to and work with as the City Deal develops. The commitment of local partners, including the Welsh Government, will be fundamental to the sustainable long term success of the project and I plan to similarly meet with them and the local business community.

Your input is vital to driving the development of this project and I sincerely hope that you will be able to join me, along with your fellow council leaders on Thursday, 11 June at Caspian Point. My office will be in touch with yours to discuss further details.

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