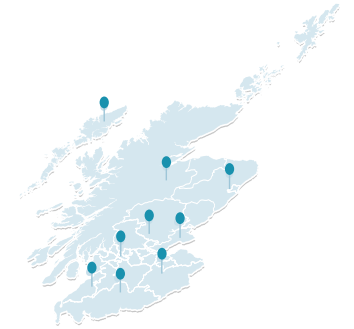


Scotland's City Region and Growth Deals

Scrutiny tool checklist for councillors



This scrutiny tool is designed to provide councillors with examples of questions they may wish to ask to help them better understand their council's deal and to scrutinise performance.

How well informed am I?

Questions for councillors to consider

What do I know?

Do I need to ask any further questions?

Part 1: The introduction of deals in Scotland

Do you know what impact the council's deal is expected to have on local and national priorities?

Do you feel you learn lessons from other councils and other deals about what works well?

Part 2: Making, managing and monitoring a deal

Do you know the reasons why projects were selected and not selected for your deal?

Has your council informed local communities?

How well informed am I?

Questions for councillors to consider	What do I know?	Do I need to ask any further questions?
<p>Do you know how much money your council is contributing to the deal?</p> <p>Has your council informed local communities?</p>		
<p>How is progress of the overall deal and individual projects reported to the council?</p> <p>Does this work well?</p>		
<p>Do you think the council has the capacity to deliver the deal?</p>		
<p>Do you know who the council's partners are?</p>		
<p>What engagement has the council had with partners when establishing and delivering the deal?</p>		
<p>What involvement have local communities had in the deal process?</p> <p>Is this appropriate?</p>		
<p>Are links with community planning plans such as Local Outcome Improvement Plans clear?</p>		
<p>What involvement have local businesses had in the deal process?</p> <p>Is this appropriate?</p>		
<p>Is there clarity on your role and responsibilities in relation to the deal?</p> <p>Do you need further guidance on how to fulfil your role?</p>		

How well informed am I?

Questions for councillors to consider	What do I know?	Do I need to ask any further questions?
<p>Does your council publish an annual report on the performance of the deal?</p> <p>Does this include progress against performance or outcomes?</p> <p>Does this include emerging risks?</p>		
<p>Part 3: Impact of deals and risks to their successful delivery</p>		
<p>Do you see a clear link between the deal and priorities identified by local communities?</p>		
<p>Do you know how the council will measure the impact of the deal and deal projects?</p> <p>Will this show the deal's contribution to the national outcomes in the National Performance Framework?</p> <p>Will you be able to assess value for money?</p>		
<p>Has the council considered the impact of its financial commitment to the deal within its longer-term financial plans and borrowing strategy? Is this regularly reviewed?</p>		



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