

Title	Wave 2 City Deals. Brighton & Hove City Region
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Purpose/Key Messages:	<p>As part of the second wave of City Deals Brighton & Hove along with nineteen other UK cities was invited to submit proposals to Government for the second wave of City Deals.</p> <p>Brighton & Hove City Council and city region partners submitted proposals to Government on 15th January, working in close partnership with Lewes and Adur District Councils, Worthing Borough Council, business and university partners, and the Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership</p> <p>Wave 2 City Deal is a competitive process. At the time of preparing this report an announcement is awaited from Government on the outcome of the competitive process. A verbal update on the outcome of the bid process and next steps following the Government's announcement will be provided at the 5th March strategic partnership meeting.</p>
Significance to BHSP and Delivering SCS outcomes:	<p>Working across the City Region to agree a City Deal in pursuit of sustainable economic growth supports the 'Promoting enterprise and learning' aim of the Sustainable Community Strategy, which seeks to enable business to grow, encourages investment, innovation and a healthy sustainable economy.</p> <p>The government has described cities as "engines of growth" that can lift the UK out of recession¹. Agreements known as City Deals have been introduced to unlock that potential, transferring powers, tools and support from central government to cities. The aim is also to strengthen the collaborative and governance arrangements of each city region in the pursuit of sustainable economic growth.</p> <p>Each city deal aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give cities the powers and tools they need to drive

¹ HM Government, December 2011, *Unlocking growth in cities*

	<p>local economic growth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unlock projects or initiatives that will boost their economies; and <p>The City Deal process aims to encourage greater collaboration across administrative borders looking at the functional economic area and requires local authorities to consider how they can harness greater levels of private sector investment. Key city region partners involved in the proposal are Lewes District Council, Adur and Worthing District Councils, City College Brighton and Hove, the University of Brighton and the University of Sussex. Officers are also working closely with the Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership, the Brighton & Hove Economic Partnership and other private sector partners.</p> <p>The Brighton & Hove City Deal proposal focuses upon promoting economic growth in the environmental technologies ('Eco-tech') sector. Proposals include working with Universities and FE colleges to provide a new city region approach to business support and skills, and initiatives to unlock key employment and regeneration sites across the city region.</p>
<p>What is the BHSP being asked to do</p>	<p>To endorse the work taking place to collaborate across the city region functional economic area to agree a City Deal with government in pursuit of sustainable economic growth</p>
<p>Next steps and report back mechanism:</p>	<p>The Strategic Partnership will be updated as work to negotiate a City Deal progresses</p>