Future Generations Assessment Evaluation

Name of the Officer completing the evaluation:	Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal
Nicola Somerville Phone no: E-mail: Nicola.somerville@cardiff.gov.uk	The core aim of scaling up the Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) Graduate Scheme is to enhance productivity, innovation and economic growth while promoting the CCR as a destination for talented graduates. This would be achieved by providing targeted human resource support services to businesses and facilitating events to release untapped
	graduate-level recruitment potential.
Proposal: CCR Graduate Scheme	Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed: March 2022

1. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	The proposal seeks to build on the success of an intervention that could secure external sources of funding to embed a long-term link between graduates and businesses, particularly those in priority sectors and SMEs, in the region. This link is crucial to increasing private sector demand for highly skilled workers. Whilst wholly positive, effort must be made to ensure that businesses in the most deprived parts of the region also benefit from the scheme and that a coordinated approach is adopted with existing graduate recruitment activity.	The approach to delivery involves leaning on expertise and existing provisions across the region's universities, local authorities and partner organisations and therefore optimising public value in establishing proof of concept of the graduate scheme. A sectoral focus and experimental approach in delivering the graduate scheme would be more likely to establish partner buy in for the programme beyond the pilot. Moreover, links with business support departments in all local authorities will allow the scheme to target high-value businesses and priority sectors to maximise the value added of the programme.

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A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	The proposal reflects an opportunity to ingrain and embed economic resilience within businesses as a result of the fresh ideas, innovation and productivity gains that graduates can contribute. Stronger links between businesses and universities would also create a fertile environment for the development of more integrated partnerships to support business resilience. A sectoral focus and experimental approach in delivering the pilot would also be conducive to establishing various	The programme will work with partners to identify specific resources to incorporate practical guides on line management of interns, carrying out career conversations, principles of job design, and strategic workforce planning. Such resources are particularly important as transitioning internships into jobs may require different type of advice. It is likely that larger businesses and businesses from key sectors will have more established career pathways
	windows of opportunity to secure sustainable support for the programme beyond the pilot.	and jobs demanding higher skills than businesses in sectors reliant on lower-skilled roles. Such factors will be accounted for in the industry engagement plan.
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	Additional graduate level employment will have a positive impact on a range of sustainability considerations, including health benefits of being in employment and reduced pressure on public services due to individuals moving from being economically inactive or unemployed into employment. Furthermore, providing a higher number of opportunities that include training and development will provide potential to get local people into steady and stable work, which in turn, reduces the stress burden around financial issues which can be a key contributor to mental health problems.	A qualification, an induction and events have been included in the programme to instil a commitment to continuing professional development in the graduates and by extension, the wider business community. Working with partners to strengthen the support to businesses beyond the internship period presents the opportunity to create more sustainable employment.
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	A core aim of the proposal is to sell the Cardiff Capital Region as a destination for talented graduates. Accordingly, efforts have been made to ensure that communities in each local authority area would benefit from the proposal.	Links with business support departments in all local authority areas will not only allow the scheme to target local economic priorities, but will also ensure the programme is conducive to delivering enhanced economic development across the whole region.

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A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	The project seeks to create sustainable opportunities in the Cardiff Capital Region within the context of underemployment of a high proportion of graduates. A graduate-facing event led by the Well-being of Future Generations Office has been incorporated into the programme to achieve a greater impact on local social, economic and environmental wellbeing. The event would involve promoting the business opportunities from the circular economy, energy efficiency and other business benefits the well-being act could offer.	A coordinated approach with partners, including signposting businesses to provisions that could meet their needs and working with partners to encourage additional events for graduates.
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	The coordinated approach between higher educational institutions, local authories and business representative organisations underscores a significant commitment to regional prosperity and selling the brand of the Cardiff Capital Region as a destination for talented graduates. Additionally, the events present the opportunity for graduate involvement in or promotion of more recreational activities and networking.	Consideration has been given to the approriate amount of information and events that graduate interns could be invited to in order to ensure an inundation of invitations does not detract from attendance to events that are beneficial to those on the scheme.
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	Within the context of significant underemployment of graduates in the Cardiff Capital Region, the creation additional graduate-level opportunities would allow people from different and diverse backgrounds to benefit from a range of opportunities that are unlikely to emerege in the absence of this intervention.	Information on the application process will be included on the website for the CCR Graduate Scheme and feedback will be provided to unsuccessful candidates to help them to learn from the experience and improve their employability skills for future applications.

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritized the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustai	nable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Long Term	Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	The proposal is about creating long-term prosperity that will enhance the number of higher level skills opportunities in the region as well as sustained growth in businesses across the Cardiff Capital Region.	An experimental approach combined with continual assessment will help to maximise the positive impacts.
Collaboration	Working together with other partners to deliver objectives	The programme has been developed in partnership with universities, business representative groups, local authorities and other partners. It has taken an inclusive approach to engagement and is working with a wide-range of partners.	Continuing to engage partners, including those that offer additional support services to businesses, will be crucial to maximising positive impacts of the programme.
Involvement	Involving those with an interest and seeking their views	Surveys, consultation, workshops and research from various interest groups were used to develop the scheme and strike a balance between creating an offer to graduates while minimising the burden of participation for businesses.	Continual engagement with businesses and graduate interns will present the opportunity to provide feedback on the programme and review whether there is scope for improvement in the programme's delivery in future.
Prevention	Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse	The ambition to create a long-term support service to help businesses overcome barriers to recruitment would result in the creation of a service that provides a tailored response for businesses that face similar barriers.	Working with sector groups and business representative organisations could support the development of the aforementioned sustainable approaches to incentivising graduate recruitment.
Integration	Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies	The partnership arrangements between the ten local authorities in the region, the four universities and business representative organisations ensure that a coordinated approach is adopted.	Not at this time

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

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Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	Should the proposal be successful opportunities will be open to all.	None arising – although particular attention will have to be paid to how the message and opportunities is conveyed as consistently as possible to all aspects of the future workforce.	Particular attention will have to be paid to how the opportunities are conveyed as consistently as possible to all aspects of the future workforce.
Disability	Should the scheme be approved, training and skills development will be done on a flexible basis ensuring accessibility and equality of access.	As above	As above
Gender reassignment	Should the scheme be approved, training and development processes will be focused on all equalities principles and matters, including gender.	As above	As above
Marriage or civil partnership	Should the proposal be successful, employment and recruitment processes will have regard to all of the protected characteristics including the rights of married couples or those in civil partnerships.	As above	As above
Pregnancy or maternity	Should the proposal be successful, proper regard will be had to the rights of any employees with regard to pregnancy/ adoption/ maternity and paternity.	As above	As above
Race	Should the proposal be successful and a recruitment and appointment process begin, proper regard will be had at that time, regarding promoting equality of opportunity, translation services and general support to ensure opportunities are genuinely open to all members of the community/ workforce.	As above	As above
Religion or Belief	As above.	As above	As above

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Sex	Again, should the proposal be successful, proper regard will be had to working conditions and rights and ensuring equity.	As above	As above
Sexual Orientation	As with all of the section above.	As above	As above
Welsh Language	Should the bid be successful we will discharge all of our duties in relation to the Welsh language Act.	Not at this time but the situation will be kept under review.	As above

4. Safeguarding & Corporate Parenting. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities?

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	Any work with young people or in the context of schools/ learning establishments, will have proper regard to safeguarding requirements and policy compliance.	Safeguarding is about ensuring that everything is in place to promote the well-being of children and vulnerable adults, preventing them from being harmed and protecting those who are at risk of abuse and neglect.	As above
Corporate Parenting	If successful, an opportunity exists to advise and support graduates about the potential for careers, growth and personal development.	None arising	As above

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

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- Data and evidence on the Cardiff Capital Region Economy
- Academic research
- Graduate mobility trends
- Survey research and business repsonses
- Reports on future trends
- 6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The proposal will support businesses to grow and deliver additional graduate positions that would not be present in the absence of the intervention. The experimental approach in the pilot will allow proof of concept of various ideas to be attained thereby creating a range of paths to creating a self-sustaining programme beyond the pilot.

7. ACTIONS: As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
NA			

8. MONITORING: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:	NA
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