

D2N2 INFRASTRUCTURE AND INVESTMENT BOARD (IIB)**23 March 2017****Monitoring Outputs**

D2N2 is required by Central Government to provide quarterly updates on how projects are progressing against the agreed outputs and outcome

Quarter 3 reporting was submitted to Government in March and the results are that a number of our key projects are falling behind with output targets being missed,

Output targets (for example, jobs and homes) were approved at the IIB as part of the Local Assurance Framework process and the profile of these outputs was later agreed with the Accountable Body when completing the grant offer agreement. Promoters have been completing monitoring returns against these output targets.

The IIB needs to hold the projects and project sponsors accountable for the outputs and any delay or changes need to be managed correctly

The Local Assurance Framework currently states the IIB will be provided with quarterly performance reports by the project monitoring officer. If it is reported that a project is delayed (commencement/completion/outputs/outcomes) by 12 months or more then the project will be reported as a High Risk project. In this instance the IIB will write to the promoter requesting a written response detailing why the project was delayed.

If the IIB are not satisfied with the response then the IIB can request that the funds already paid are repaid to the LEP or decide not release any future years funding.

In order to provide greater assurance it is now recommended that:

1. The IIB receives a quarterly report on the monitoring.
2. The IIB will then be required to satisfy themselves of progress on the project and where the IIB has concerns due to the monitoring then it requests the sponsor attend the next IIB.

Recommendation

The IIB approve this process and amend point 7 within Appendix 1 of the Terms of Reference for the IIB to so that a project is reported at high risk if it is delayed (commencement/completion/outputs/outcomes) by 3 months not 12.