

# Cabinet



Date of meeting:	12 January 2021
Title of Report:	<b>UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement - summary analysis</b>
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Your Reference:	CAB/002/12012021
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

## Purpose of Report

The report provides a summary and analysis of key parts of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA) negotiated between the United Kingdom and the European Union. Given the far reaching scope of this agreement the report has been focussed to address those areas of greatest interest to local stakeholders and therefore some areas which may nevertheless have local relevance have been omitted. A further exception are the implications for our fishing industry and the community it supports which are the subject of a separate report.

## Recommendations and Reasons

Cabinet is asked to endorse these asks of government: -

Explain how it will deliver on its promise to level up regional economies, setting out in detail: -

- How local businesses, especially SMEs, will be supported to adapt to new regulatory barriers to trade between the EU and the UK now that we have left the single market.
- How government policies around investment in the fishing fleet and quayside facilities will reflect developing economic link proposals ensuring sustainable economic benefits to our community and our fishing industry.
- How the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and other funding mechanisms will mitigate the loss of EU structural and other funds to the city, the Heart of the South West LEP area and the wider South West peninsula.

## Alternative options considered and rejected

- Further recommendations will be considered as the implications of the deal become apparent over the coming days and months.

## Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Brexit continues to have significant implications for the delivery of the Corporate Plan and the Plymouth Plan in particular : -

- Our growing city pledge to deliver economic growth that benefits as many people as possible
- Our Plymouth Plan commitment to actively work to promote Plymouth's as an international city.

**Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:**

Brexit will have significant implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan these are anticipated in the associated entry on our strategic risk register.

There are no new cost pressures that are not set out as part of in year monitoring and/or next year's budget.

**Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:**

The stated intention of Government is to diverge from the currently applicable statutory provisions for environmental protection which are derived from EU law.

**Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:**

*\* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.*

Brexit related risks are included in our strategic risk register where appropriate. Our Brexit office maintains risk registers covering both organisational and citywide risk which are regularly reviewed.

**Appendices**

*\*Add rows as required to box below*

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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
A	UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement - summary analysis							
B	Equalities Impact Assessment (if applicable)							

**Background papers:**

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Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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<a href="#">UK EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement Summary</a>							
<a href="#">TRADE AND COOPERATION AGREEMENT</a>							

<a href="#">The UK-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement: summary and implementation – Parliamentary Briefing</a>									
<a href="#">The UK in a Changing Europe</a>									

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Giles Perritt (Assistant Chief Executive)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 07/01/2021											
Cabinet Member approval: <i>Councillor Tudor Evans OBE (Leader)</i>											
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