

## **Developer Services Board Assurance Statement**

### **Developer Services Schedule of Charges 2025/26**

The Board considered the Developer Services charges for 2025/26 at the meeting held on 5 December 2024. The Board noted the information requirements and relevant supporting materials and made appropriate enquiries of the Executive Team, in particular the Strategy and Regulation Director. The Board considered a report from Jacobs, who had been engaged to provide external assurance that the systems and processes used to produce the information published about the wholesale charges are robust and to review the process for ensuring compliance with legal obligations.

Having made reasonable and relevant enquiries as detailed above, we are able to confirm that, to the best of our understanding, the charges contained in Dŵr Cymru's Developer Services Schedule of Charges 2025/26 comply with the various legal obligations to which the company is subject under the Water Industry Act 1991 (as amended) and other relevant legislation, taken as a whole.

The document and the additional information have been prepared by experienced staff using appropriate processes and internal systems of control and have accordingly been prepared to a standard that could be reasonably expected of a diligent undertaker.

The Board of Directors has assessed the effects of the new charges on customers' bills for a range of different types of development. The Board notes the pressure placed by inflation and increases in cost of materials on these charges, which cause impacts of 10% or greater for some bill impacts in the range 8-14%. The Board is satisfied that the proposed approach to engagement and communication with Developers around these price increases is appropriate.

**Jane Hanson CBE**  
**Chair**

On behalf of the Board  
31 January 2025