A logic model for the Freeports Programme

The economies of all sub-regions in which Freeports are based see sustainable and long-term growth, become more productive and level up

Increased trade and economic activity in Freeport Zones

Increased competitiveness, sustainability and firm productivity among businesses in target sectors (incl. green growth sectors) within Freeport Zones

High quality jobs created, decreased unemployment and increased wages in Freeport Zones, supporting the levelling up agenda

Established and growing industrial and innovation clusters of new businesses in Freeports Zones that:
- Benefit from agglomeration economies
- Undertake R&D to develop innovative products and services
- Build networks to collaborate and share knowledge
- Contribute to the decarbonisation agenda

Reduced social/physical barriers to employment and increased number of trained and engaged citizens from deprived areas in Freeport Zones

Increased port capacity/efficiency, infrastructure and services

Increased volume of commercially viable land and sites in Freeport Zones for private investment

Enhanced placemaking and transport connectivity

Opportunities for regulatory flexibilities identified and regulatory sandboxes in place

Innovation hubs, research and skills development programmes implemented

Customers facilitated and border processes innovations

Increased awareness and engagement from targeted investors leading to deal closures

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Designation and management of customs sites

Proactive trade/investment promotion and facilitation

New tax sites implemented delivering tax benefits

Planning flexibilities and support

Land assembly, site remediation and access and delivery of new infrastructure funded through seed capital and retained business rates

Engagement between innovative businesses and regulators

Freeport governance and wider private/public partnerships and collaborations

Aligned programme of investment and interventions from local and national government