

Corporate Procurement Strategy Changes – August 2016 (Revised in January 2017 following Consultation Results)

	<u>Description</u>	<u>Corporate Procurement Strategy 2016-2016</u>	<u>Revised Corporate Procurement Strategy 2016-2020</u>
1.	Foreword – Second Paragraph & Third Paragraph		Updates to say that the Council has tried to address any previous issues and concerns through consultation. Updates to reference the Council's new Future Town, Future Council programme & the National Procurement Strategy for Local Government in England 2014.
2.	Consultation on the 2013 to 2016 Corporate Procurement Strategy		New page and table inserted between the Foreword and Introduction with information taken out of the consultation showing 'We asked you...' 'You said...' and 'We did...'
3.	Breakdown of Stevenage Borough Council Spend	Graph for financial year 2014/15	Two graphs for financial year 2015/16 – one showing spend including local, national and rest of world with three large housing contracts and the other showing the graph without the three large housing contracts.
4.	Business Category Spend Charts for over £250,000 and for under £250,000		There are two new category spend charts inserted showing the business categories that Stevenage Borough Council spend their money on.
5.	Commercial Considerations in Stevenage Procurement		Additional two paragraphs added to say that the Council will publish a contracts register on the Council's website detailing all active contracts over £5,000 in addition to a procurement pipeline detailing contracts expected to be re-procured and new procurement

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		<p>Paragraph to say 'We will promote the Equality and Diversity Action Plan and the Safeguarding Children Policy</p>	<p>projects that we expect to undertake. The second paragraph says that we will communicate to businesses that are registered to do business with us through our E-tendering portal Intend by issuing a business newsletter when we have updates to deliver.</p> <p>Paragraph updated to refer to both the Safeguarding Children Policy and the Safeguarding Adults at Risk Policy</p>
6.	Economic Considerations – Objectives and Goals	<p>Paragraph to say 'The Corporate Procurement department will maintain a contracts register of current contracts over the value of £75,000 and lower values where available'</p> <p>Paragraph to say that 'Procuring Officers will encourage local business in tendering for Council work and will seek to remove obstacles and inhibitors to doing business with the Council. In the delivering of elements of larger contracts and framework contracts, the roles of SMEs and Third Sector organisations will be considered. Procurements undertaken at quotation level band 1 and 2 must ensure that suppliers are rotated, thus enabling local suppliers to be included.'</p>	<p>Revision of paragraph to say 'The Corporate Procurement department will maintain a contracts register of current contracts over the value of £5,000 and will publish a pipeline detailing contracts expected to be re-procured and new procurement projects that we expect to undertake'</p> <p>Revision of paragraph to say 'Procuring Officers will encourage local business in tendering for Council work and will seek to remove obstacles and inhibitors to doing business with the Council. In the delivering of elements of larger contracts and framework contracts, the roles of SMEs and Third Sector organisations will be considered. Procurements undertaken at quotation level band 1 and 2 must ensure that at least one supplier not invited at the last procurement exercise is invited on the next occasion,</p>

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			<p>thus enabling suppliers to be included which could be local.</p> <p>Paragraph 6.2.16 now includes the Supply Hertfordshire</p>
7.	Environmental – Objectives and Goals	<p>Paragraph to say ‘The Council aims to comply with the National Procurement Strategy wherever practical by following the Small Business Concordat good practice guide and addendum. This looks at ways of reducing the danger of smaller enterprises being squeezed out of the market due to the increased driver for greater aggregation of demand into larger contracts.’</p>	<p>Paragraph to say ‘The Council aims to comply with the National Procurement Strategy 2014 wherever practical by improving access for SME’s and VCSE’s. Consideration will be given as to how social value can be obtained in contracts over the EU threshold.’</p>
8.	Social – Objectives and Goals	<p>Paragraph to say ‘The Corporate Plan states that the Council ‘is committed to demonstrating excellent services that reflect the needs of our communities’ this will be embedded into the procurement strategy.’</p>	<p>Paragraph to say ‘The Future Town Future Council ambition ‘to be a financial resilient Council with enough resource to deliver our priorities’ will be embedded into the procurement strategy’</p> <p>Removal of paragraph 8.2.8 referring to the Living Wage as this is no longer applicable due to the recent legislation change.</p>
9.	The Future for Stevenage Procurement	<p>Outcomes and Priorities from Corporate Plan Sharing the Dividends for 2013-2018</p>	<p>Updated to show the nine key focussed programmes in the Future Town Future Council Programme.</p>
10.	Summary Action Plan	<p>Outcomes reflect Corporate Plan 2013-2018. The table is listed out under the headings – Item, Subject, Action, Priority and Target Date</p>	<p>The table has been updated with new headings – Item, Last year we said we would, What we did last year and What we would like to achieve this year.</p>
11.	APPENDIX		<p>Table inserted to show the breakdown of the Pro-Class</p>

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			categories that sit under the business categories that Stevenage Borough Council spends their money on. This links to the Business Category charts under section 4.
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