

REPORT of **DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES**

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE **28 NOVEMBER 2017**

REPLACEMENT COMMISSIONING AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGY AND CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To consider and recommend to the Council that the following updated and modified documents be agreed:
 - Procurement Strategy (APPENDIX A)
 - Contract Procedure Rules (APPENDIX B)

2. RECOMMENDATION

To the Council

That the updated Commissioning and Procurement Strategy (APPENDIX A) and Contract Procedure Rules (APPENDIX B) be agreed.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 The previous Commissioning and Procurement Strategy was brought to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on 5 March 2013.
- 3.2 Due to the time which has lapsed the strategy has been re-written to ensure that it meets the needs of the authority.
- 3.3 Since the previous version was adopted a number of new requirements must be considered, including the Public Services (Social Value) Act (2012), National Procurement Strategy (2015) and the Public Contract Regulations (2015).
- 3.4 The revised Commissioning and Procurement Strategy (APPENDIX A) has also been amended to take the Senior Management Restructure and revised Corporate Plan into account.
- 3.5 The strategy has also introduced documented performance management for all contracts in place with a value greater than £25,000.
- 3.6 The previous Contract Procedure Rules were also brought to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on 5 March 2013. The Contract Procedure Rules

(APPENDIX B) provide the Council's mandatory procedures on methods of procurement.

3.7 The Contract Procedure Rules have been updated to ensure that they include guidance on calculated the total contract value, a section on extensions and variations and removal of the approved lists section as these are no longer used.

4. **CONCLUSION**

4.1 The strategy and contract procedure rules required amendment and emerging issues have been addressed in this updated version.

5. IMPACT ON CORPORATE GOALS

5.1 This report links to the corporate goal of being an organisation which delivers good quality, cost effective and valued services in a transparent way.

6. **IMPLICATIONS**

- (i) **Impact on Customers** – None.
- (ii) Impact on Equalities – None identified.
- (iii) <u>Impact on Risk</u> – Procurement strategy minimises risk through following best practice.
- Impact on Resources (financial) Efficient procurement ensures (iv) transparency and efficient use of resources.
- (v) Impact on Resources (human) – None identified.
- (vi) **Impact on the Environment** – The strategy links to the Council's approved Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

Background Papers: None.

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