

Implementation of the Procurement Act 2023

Procurement team training

- Team of 6 managing over 700 Contracts
- All team members undertook 9 Procurement Act 2023 training modules all passed the exam and are Advanced Practioners
- One (strategic Procurement Manager) undertook the 3-day Deep Dive and is a registered super user
- Super User involved with the Communities of Practice webinar sessions, is a member of the Super User group and the informal super user group (ideas / problems / solutions discussed)
- Scenarios reviewed and discussed at the weekly procurement team meetings to embed and improve knowledge

Internal Stakeholder Training

- Ensured key stakeholders within the Council received training on the new Act with published guidance documents for all processes available on the intranet.
- Ensured Template tender documents available for all tendering options.
- Communications and Senior Leadership briefings
- Commencement of the Procurement Board
- Implementation of Business partnering model to enable procurement to support service areas
- Key stakeholders trained in contract Management

External Supplier Training

- Meet the Buyer day held in February 2025
- Key changes in the tendering procedure presented and discussed
- How to Tender Workshops offered
- Social Value Forum held
- Links provided for supplier training which is offered by the Government



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Social Value strategy

- **Providing value for money services for our residents**
- Working with local businesses especially Small Medium Sized **Enterprises (SME'S)**

SME Key Performance Indicator

- national target 33%
- Council target 45%
- achieving 49%

Local Business Key performance Indicator

- Council target 70%
- Achieving 60%

Social Value

- Moving to net zero
- Oxford Living Wage
- 10% of scoring is attributable to social value
- Match My Project
- We are interested in all suppliers and making it easy for suppliers to access local authority contracts

- New Strategy to be released end of 2025
- **Key headlines in current strategy**
 - Purpose / Ambition / Vision
 - Aims / Objectives and Key Priorities
 - Measuring and Monitoring our Performance
 - **Contract Management**
 - Social Value
 - Sustainable Procurement
 - **Ethical Procurement**
 - Oxford Living Wage
- **Expected changes as an addition to the above**
 - focus on the new Act including the National Procurement Policy Statement
 - increased focus on Contract Management
 - increased focus on Key Performance Indicators and Service Level Agreements in our contracts
 - increased Focus on monitoring the delivery of Social Value in our contracts
 - Increased focus on the procurement structure with the business partnering model





