

Template for Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Corporate Procurement Strategy 2020 - 2023			
Coverage:	Cross Cutting			
This is a decision relating to:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Function
	<input type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
It is a:	New approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Revision of an existing approach:	X
It is driven by:	Legislation:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Local or corporate requirements:	X
Description:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key aims, objectives and activities Refresh of the Corporate Procurement Strategy. Provides detail of the Council's approach to procurement and how this achieves and contributes to the Council's Strategy priorities. • Statutory drivers (set out exact reference) There are no statutory drivers for this service, however, procurement must comply with a range of legislation and instruments, including but not exclusive, OJUE, Public Contract Regulations 2015. • Differences from any previous approach This is an interim refresh of the Corporate Procurement Strategy until 2023, during this time a full re-design will be undertaken, however, it was not felt appropriate to do that now in light of COVID and the unknown future impact it could have, as well as uncertainty over Brexit and a potential 'no deal' may have. A full re-design will be completed during 2021/20 in order to radically change and improve the strategy and also ensure robust consultation with suppliers and the commercial market are undertaken. • Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate) The Council, residents of Middlesbrough, local suppliers and supply chains • Intended outcomes To promote the Council's procurement processes ensuring that residents and local suppliers and supply chains understand how procurement is carried out in Middlesbrough Council to support achievement of its ambitions as articulated in the procurement strategy. 			
Live date:	December 2020			
Lifespan:	2020 – 2023			
Date of next review:	2021-22			

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
<p>Human Rights</p> <p>Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation?*</p>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The Corporate Procurement Strategy is in place to ensure that the Council is fair, open and transparent in all its procurement activity. It is not envisioned that this strategy would negatively impact on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK Legislation.</p> <p>Evidence includes analysis of performance against legislative requirements. E-tendering portal used to publish tenders and all suppliers are directed and encouraged to register on the portal which provides (this is free of charge).</p>

* Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of these broad questions prior to completion.

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<p>Equality</p> <p>Could the decision result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law? Could the decision impact differently on other commonly disadvantaged groups?*</p>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requires that when exercising its functions the Councils must have due regard to the need to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act; • advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; and • foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. <p>In having due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity, the Council must consider, as part of a single equality duty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • removing or minimising disadvantages suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic; • taking steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of people who do not share it; and • encouraging people who share a protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation is low. <p>The Corporate Procurement Strategy is in place to ensure that the Council is fair, open and transparent in all its procurement activity. The strategy will ensure fair access to procurement opportunities. There are no concerns that these changes could result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals.</p> <p>Evidence includes analysis of performance against legislative requirements. E-tendering portal used to publish tenders and all suppliers are directed and encouraged to register on the portal which provides (this is free of charge).</p>

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<p>Community cohesion</p> <p>Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town?*</p>	X	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The Corporate Procurement Strategy is in place to ensure that the Council is fair, open and transparent in all its procurement activity. There are no concerns that the proposal could have an adverse impact on community cohesion.</p> <p>Evidence includes analysis of performance against legislative requirements. E-tendering portal used to publish tenders and all suppliers are directed and encouraged to register on the portal which provides (this is free of charge).</p>
<p>Next steps:</p> <p>➡ If the answer to all of the above screening questions is No then the process is completed.</p> <p>➡ If the answer of any of the questions is Yes or Uncertain, then a Level 2 Full Impact Assessment must be completed.</p>				

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