



meeting	PROCUREMENT SELECT COMMITTEE	
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Joint report of the Chair of the Procurement Select Committee and the Head of Scrutiny

Procurement Select Committee – 3 year Draft Procurement Business Plan

Purpose of the report

1. This report provides:
 - an introduction to a presentation by Deloitte, the County Council's preferred partner in developing the 3 year procurement business plan. The 3 year draft business plan is also attached at Appendix 1 for Members' consideration.

Background

2. At its first meeting on 18 September 2006 the Procurement Select Committee considered the scope for this scrutiny review. The scope is to consider the key question: Will the County Council maximise value for money through its procurement processes by implementing the new 3 year procurement business plan?
3. The Select Committee was given a scene setting presentation at its first meeting by Richard Ratcliffe, Assistant Treasurer (Procurement and Trading) on the background to the development of the new procurement business plan. This was followed by a question and answer session.
4. The Select Committee then agreed that Deloitte, the Council's preferred partner in developing the 3 year business plan, should be asked to present information on their work at this second Committee meeting, when the draft business plan is also available to be presented to Select Committee members.
5. The Select Committee has also invited Councillor John Stocks, Cabinet Member – People and Performance to this second meeting. Richard Ratcliffe will also be attending in order to answer any further questions from Members.

6. Alternative draft future work programme templates are attached at Appendix 2 to this report for Members' consideration. This Topic Select Committee was due to complete its work in January 2007.

Presentation by Deloitte – the 3 year draft procurement business plan

7. Deloitte will provide a presentation to the Select Committee meeting on the 3 year draft procurement business plan. The plan is attached as Appendix 1 to this report.

Recommendations

8. It is recommended that;

the Procurement Select Committee consider, and ask questions on, issues around the 3 year draft procurement business plan following the presentation by Deloitte, and then agree the future direction and timetable for this review.

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Background papers: nil.