

#### **EX4. PROCUREMENT STRATEGY UPDATE**

The Executive considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Neighbourhood Services providing an update on progress made in delivering the outcomes of the Corporate Procurement Strategy for the period 2011-2014 and presenting a strategy for 2014-2017.

The Corporate Procurement Strategy for 2011-2014 set out a procurement vision supported by three themes, each with associated strategic outcomes. The report set out areas of progress against each of the themes for the period 2011-2014, highlighting where the strategy had contributed to the delivery of the Council's values as set out in the Corporate Plan.

A strategy for 2014-2017 was also presented together with a summary of the challenges, both economic and legislative, which would impact on the Council's procurement initiatives, including the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Bill and the ongoing Procurement Reform Programme within Scotland. The strategy is based on the vision and themes set out in the 2011-2014 strategy. However it includes a greater focus on sustainability and supporting small and medium sized businesses, particularly local businesses.

#### **Decision**

#### **The Executive:-**

- (1) noted the outcomes of the Corporate Procurement Strategy 2011-2014, as detailed in section 3 of the report; and**
- (2) agreed the Corporate Procurement Strategy 2014-2017.**