

## **EE60. Procurement Strategy 2020-2023**

The Emergency Executive considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Housing Services which provided an update on a number of Procurement related matters including the Annual Procurement Report for 2019/20 and sought approval of the Procurement Strategy for 2020 -2023.

The 2019/20 performance showed continuous year on year improvements, across a range of measures. It was expected that this performance would further consolidate the Council's above average performance, when compared to national data.

The Council's Procurement Strategy provided a framework to ensure that procurement activities supported all services to meet national and Council priorities, as set out in the Council's Corporate Plan. There were five key procurement areas within the new Procurement Strategy:-

1. Compliance and governance.
2. Value for money and efficiency.
3. Delivery of sustainable procurement.
4. Embracing innovation.
5. Supplier engagement and contract management.

Since the start of the Covid pandemic, the Procurement and Commissioning Unit (PCU) had worked to support services; businesses and providers to sustain critical and essential service provision to communities. Procurement would also play a key role as part of the Council's Economic Recovery Plan going forward. In particular, through the development and expansion of existing engagement channels with local businesses e.g. Falkirk Economic Partnership and Business Gateway.

### **Decision**

**The Emergency Executive approved the 2020-2023 Procurement Strategy as contained in appendix 2 to the report.**