

# "Think Local" The Council's New Procurement Strategy

# Resources – Policy & Development Update



# Legal Context – The Old

- » Public Contract Regulations 2006
- » Treaty of Rome and EU Procurement Directives
- » Contract Law
- » Contract Standing Orders

# The Changing Landscape





# Legal Context - The New

- » Localism Act
  - » Commissioning Intentions
  - » Right to Challenge
- » Public Services (Social Value) Act
  - » Social & Environmental Benefits alongside Financial Efficiency
- » Changes to EU Procurement Directives
  - » Radical changes imminent
  - » Removal of Part A & B Service distinction
  - » More flexible processes

# **Revised EU Directives**



- » "Flexibilisation" of Process Negotiated Procedures
- » Reducing Timescales
- » Innovative Partnerships Procedure
- » Removal of distinction between Part A & B Services
- » Use of Self Declarations
- » Exclusion for Poor Performance
- » E Procurement Dynamic Purchasing Systems

# Case Law



- » Alcatel Standstill Periods
- » Pressetext Post Contract Change
- » Beentjes, Nord-pas-de-Calais, SIAC, Concordia Buses – Social & Environmental Policy(Most Economically advantageous Tender MEAT)
- » ENV and Wienstrom judgment Ecological Criteria and links to contracts

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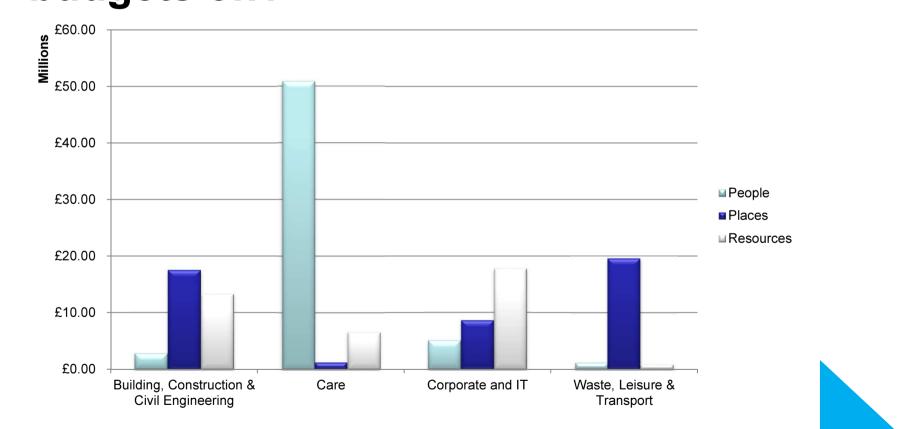
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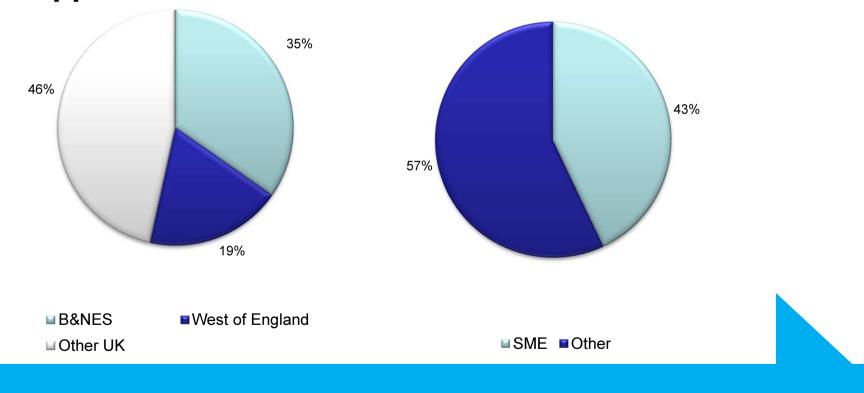
# What does the Council spend its budgets on?



What proportion of Council business is awarded to local suppliers?

#### What proportion of Council business is awarded to SMEs?





# "Think Local"



### » New Procurement Strategy

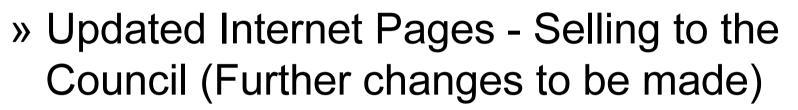
- » Agreed by Cabinet and formally launched on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2013 by Cllr Bellotti to local Small & Medium Sized Enterprises (SME's) and Micro Businesses at a "Meet the Buyer Event"
- » Supported by the Federation Of Small Businesses, Curo and the Government Procurement Service
- » Very successful launch attended by over 100 companies.



## What outcomes will this deliver? -

- » Local suppliers will be targeted to bid for Council business
- » Help to stimulate SME"s and Micro Businesses
- » Decisions based on whole life costs and "social value"

## **Supporting the Changes - External**

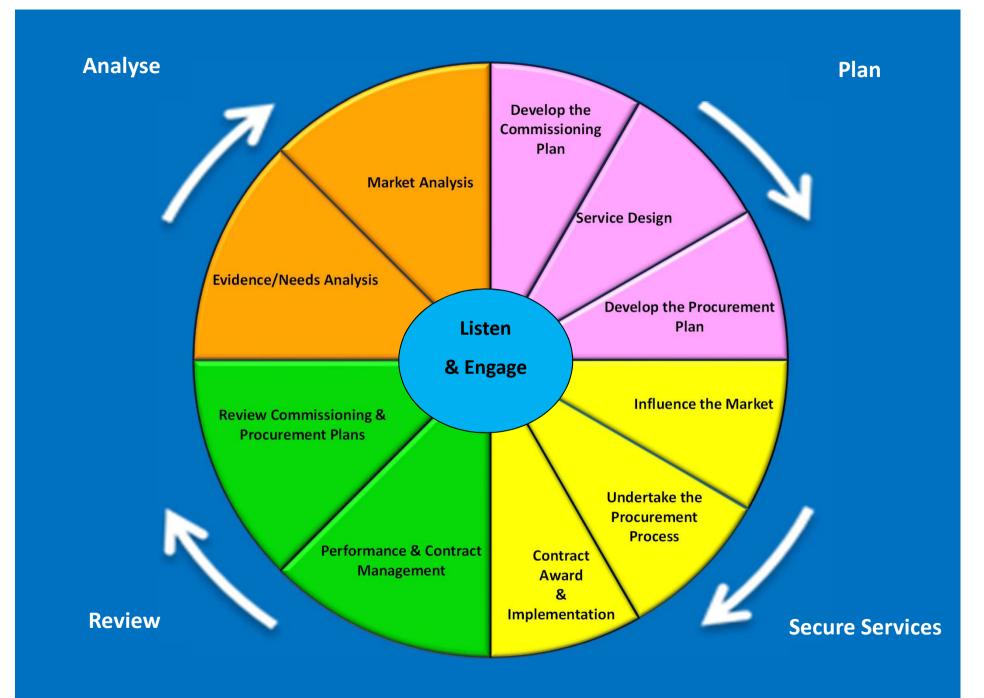


- » Draft Suppliers Guide
- » Draft Sustainable Procurement Code & Guide
- » Training & Support Offer
- » Use of Social Media

## **Supporting the Changes - Internal**



- » New Procurement Intranet Site (launch in November)
- » Commissioning & Procurement Framework
- » Improved Spend Analysis Tools & Dashboards (in development)
- » Training
- » Revised E Procurement Processes
- » Social Value Toolkit



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## **Social Value Policy & Toolkit**

- » Builds on new Procurement Strategy & recommendations from Apprenticeship policy development
- » Increase Targeted Recruitment & Training through Council's Procurement Processes
- » Targets supply chain opportunities
- » Allows innovation to deliver Social Value objectives
- » Cost neutral

Next Steps



- » Revised Contract Standing Orders
- » Revised Procurement Structure
- » Training
- » Governance Policing the changes

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