

## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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<b>COMMITTEE</b>	Finance and Resources
<b>DATE</b>	07 May 2025
<b>EXEMPT</b>	This report is not exempt, but Appendices 2 and 5-9 are (paragraph 8)
<b>CONFIDENTIAL</b>	No
<b>REPORT TITLE</b>	Work Plan & Business Cases
<b>REPORT NUMBER</b>	CORS/25/094
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<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>	1.1.5 & 1.1.6

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### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present procurement work plans where expenditure is included for Cross Council Framework agreements, the City Regeneration and Environment and the Families and Communities Functions to Committee for review and to seek approval of the total estimated expenditure for the proposed contracts as contained in the work plans and Procurement Business Cases appended to the report.

### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee: -

- 2.1 reviews the workplans as detailed in the Appendices for the City Regeneration and Environment and Families and Communities Functions;
- 2.2 approves the procurement business cases, including the total estimated expenditure for the proposed contracts;
- 2.3 approves the estimated expenditure on framework agreements as detailed in the Corporate Services workplan; and
- 2.4 notes the content of Appendix 3 – 3.10 Memo Approvals and Appendix 4 – 4.1.3 Technical Exemption Approvals.

### 3. CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 The ACC Procurement Regulations 2024 require that authority to incur expenditure must be sought prior to any invitation to tender or contract entered into. Contracts above £50,000 (supplies/services) or £250,000 (works) to be listed on a workplan with an associated Procurement Business Case and submitted by the relevant Chief Officer to the Finance and Resources Committee, committee approval is required prior to the procurement being undertaken.

3.2 The ACC Procurement Regulations 2024 also require that if aggregated expenditure via framework agreements will exceed £50,000 (supplies/services) or £250,000 (works), then the authority of the relevant Committee to incur the expenditure must be obtained in advance of the applicable thresholds being exceeded. Aggregate expenditure via framework agreements will be reported annually by the Commercial & Procurement Shared Service where expenditure is recurring, as expenditure will be across Clusters in many cases.

3.3 Committee is asked to review the City Regeneration and Environment and Families and Communities Functions work plans and to approve the expenditure detailed in the Procurement Business Cases appended to the report.

#### **4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The indicative value of the proposed contract is shown within the workplan and in the Appendices. The ability to have an overview of contract expenditure is aligned to Core Outcomes of the LOIP and the whole systems commissioning cycle approach. The robust approach to governance ensures that all contracts are aligned to the approved budget provision for each financial year with controls in place for flexibility if required.

#### **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The contracts shall be procured in accordance with procurement legislation and the Commercial Legal Team within C&PS shall provide legal advice, legal commentary has been sought and is included within each Business Case.

#### **6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Consideration is included within each Business Case as to how the proposed contract will support the Council's climate commitments. If these are not to be included, officers are asked to confirm why this is the case. Standard wording is included in procurement templates to ensure this is captured at tender stage through to awarded contract.

#### **7. RISK**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Risks</b>	<b>Primary Controls/Control Actions to achieve Target Risk Level</b>	<b>*Target Risk Level (L, M or H)</b>  <b>*taking into account controls/control actions</b>	<b>*Does Target Risk Level Match Appetite Set?</b>
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<b>Strategic Risk</b>	Contract expectations not being monitored or managed.	Contract Management consideration in business cases, guidance and training available for officers.	M	Yes
<b>Compliance</b>	Failure to comply with internal procurement regulations and procurement legislation	Robust process for review of individual business cases and proposed approach to procurement.	L	Yes
<b>Operational</b>	Unable to control demand	Robust process and focus on demand reduction strategies, contract terms developed to be more flexible.	L	Yes
<b>Financial</b>	Escalation of costs  Differing market conditions depending on commodity or service	A strong focus on value for money in all commissioning activities and market engagement or use of Business Intelligence to engage with market / ascertain changes/trends.	M	Yes
<b>Reputational</b>	Insufficient information provided by officers, lack of transparency.	Robust process for review of individual business cases and proposed approach to procurement.	L	Yes

<b>Environment/ Climate</b>	Failure to consider sustainable options.	Environmental consideration within business cases and environmental clauses within tender documents.	L	Yes
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## 8. OUTCOMES

<b><u>COUNCIL DELIVERY PLAN</u></b>	
	<b>Impact of Report</b>
<b>Aberdeen City Council Policy Statement</b>	The ability to have an overview of contract expenditure is aligned to Core Outcomes of the LOIP and the whole systems commissioning cycle approach.
<b>Aberdeen City Local Outcome Improvement Plan</b>	
<b>Stretch Outcomes (Prosperous Economy/People/Place)</b>	Community Benefits, Fair Work and Climate requirements are incorporated into all ACC Procurement Activity, consideration is given to the Stretch Outcomes within the LOIP at the development phase.
<b>Regional and City Strategies</b>	Details of anticipated outcomes and how they support key strategies are contained within the business case attached.
<b>UK and Scottish Legislative and Policy Programmes</b>	Details of the legislative and policy programmes to be complied with is contained within the business case attached.

## 9. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
<b>Integrated Impact Assessment</b>	N/A - IIA screening and assessment will be conducted where required for individual business cases.
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	Not required
<b>Other</b>	Not required

## 10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

## 11. APPENDICES

### Public

Appendix 1- Final Revenue Work Plans- PUBLIC\_FR\_070525

Appendix 3\_3.10 Memo's (Exemption Urgency) \_PUBLIC\_F&R\_070525

Appendix 4\_4.1.3 Forms (Technical Exemption) \_PUBLIC\_F&R\_070525

### Private

Appendix 2\_Final Revenue \_Work Plans\_PRIVATE\_F&R\_070525

Appendix 5\_ELC Funded Provider Contracts 2025-29\_PRIVATE\_070525

Appendix 6\_Electricity Meter Operator\_PRIVATE\_070525

Appendix 7\_Loft Insulation 25-28\_PRIVATE\_070525

Appendix 8\_Delivery of Spectra 2026-27\_PRIVATE\_070525

Appendix 9\_Operations Hydrogen Refuelling Stations\_PRIVATE\_070525

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