Wear Valley District Council

Housing Services Department

Procurement Strategy

Our Procurement Strategy:

Wear Valley Housing Department's Strategy sets out the key aims and goals towards achieving improvements within the department's procurement performance over the next three years. The strategy will provide the structure to move the department's procurement activity forward in line with the following procurement goal:

"Wear Valley District Council's Housing Department is a leader in delivering best value for money and service excellence to all its stakeholders".

This goal provides a common focus for the delivery of excellence in procurement as well as to assist in the implementation of any changes and new systems. The goal also supports the department's revised vision and key organisational objectives.

To support this goal, the department has established a number of key aims.

Our Procurement Aims:

- To provide clarity of the overall direction and vision for procurement within the Housing Services department.
- To reinforce the need for excellent procurement to support the department's vision and the Council's corporate objectives.
- To raise awareness of the procurement activity and its contribution towards service improvement.
- To ensure commitment to good procurement practices from Members and officers at all levels within the department.
- To provide support to service areas to ensure procurement is undertaken in a legal and transparent process.
- To develop and implement practices that promote environmental sustainability, support the local economy and support innovative procurement solutions through key procurement policies.
- To deliver best value principles in all service areas.
- To provide a framework within which the housing department can realise the targets outlined in the Efficiency Review, Egan objectives and support the Byatt Review.