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## Overview and Scrutiny Committee No. 3 - Tendering

6 October 2008

### Present at the meeting:

Councillor Mrs M J Whiteside (Chairman)  
Councillor Mrs B Bourne  
Councillor G Wilkes  
Councillor B J Fagan  
Reverend Deacon R Moore (co-opted Member)

**.1 Apologies for absence:** Councillors H L Cadman and G W Fairhurst

**.2 Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of this Select Committee held on 16 September 2008 were approved as a correct record.

Resolved: The Select Committee:

**.3 Presentation by the Corporate Procurement Manager:** The Corporate Procurement Manager outlined the role of the corporate procurement to oversee adherence to the Council's contract procedure rules and to deliver the Corporate Procurement Strategy. The ensuing discussion covered the topics of:

- the independence of departments;
- Standing Lists;
- protection against cartels;
- opening procedures and valuation;
- the role of internal audit; and
- private Finance Initiative.

Resolved: The Select Committee:

- thanks the Corporate Procurement Manager for his presentation and offer to provide more information if necessary;
- asks the Policy Officer to provide a summary of tendering under the Private Finance Initiative. (PFI)

**.4 Next steps:** The Select Committee considered the direction of its investigations.

Resolved: The Select Committee agrees to invite to future meetings:-

- the Head of Risk Management;
- the Executive Director or one of the Service Directors of Business Support Services;
- a representative from on of the departmental Standing Lists; and
- an officer from the Engineers department who puts services out to tender.

**.6 Date and time of next meeting:** The next meeting of Select Committee No 3 will be held on the 3 November 2008 at 4pm.

Chairman