## **Government Procurement Card Transactions**

What is in this data?	The data files list transactions on the Council's Government Procurement Card
Licence	This data is provided under the terms of the Open Government Licence.
Why we publish this type of data	All councils in England have been asked to make this data available by the end of December 2014. You can use it to see who our suppliers are, and how much we spend on each type of purchase.
How often is it published?	We aim to provide a new set of data, within a month of the end of the month that it relates to.
What does each column mean?	The data contains fields for:
	<ul> <li>Organisation Name - "Wigan Council". Placing this on each row allows the data to be mixed with data from other councils.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Organisation Code - this is a code that identifies the council.</li> </ul>
	Beneficiary - The name of the supplier as it appears on our records.
	Date - The date of the transaction.
	Period – The accounting period which the expenditure was incurred
	Cost Centre – The cost code relating to the department / sub-department
	Department – The name of the department that incurred the expenditure.
	Account – The financial accounting code
	Summary of Purpose – Summary of the purpose of the expenditure
	<ul> <li>Merchant Category – Details the goods or services procured</li> </ul>
	Amount - The amount of the payment in pounds exclusive of VAT
What data have we removed?	No rows of data have been removed, so this is a complete list of payments.
What formats are available?	<ul> <li><u>csv</u> - which can be used with most spreadsheet style programs.</li> <li><u>pdf</u> - which can be viewed as a document.</li> </ul>