Publication of Communities and Local Government Group expenditure data for 2009-10

- These data represent Communities and Local Government's procurement expenditure with third party suppliers for the financial year 2009-10.

- It encompasses the central Department and its 17 highest spending arm's length bodies, which account for more than 98 per cent of Communities and Local Government group expenditure on goods and services.

- It does **not** include grant payments or expenses payments which will be included in future releases in accordance with wider central government publication requirements as part of the transparency agenda.

- There are four data fields in this release:

  - **ALB [arm's length body] code:** This provides details of the organisation spending the money.

  - **Public Sector Procurement Expenditure Survey:** These data are reported annually to the Office of Government Commerce by all central government departments. Public Sector Procurement Expenditure Survey data are categorised by type of expenditure and this column uses those categories to group items of spending.

  - **Supplier:** This shows the name of the supplier with whom we have incurred the expenditure.

  - **Net amount:** This shows the amount of spend incurred, net of VAT.

  Note: The following arm's length bodies prepared data for publication on their own websites and consequently the format described above will vary:

  - Infrastructure Planning Commission
  - Ordnance Survey
  - Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre
  - The Standards Board for England
  - Thurrock Thames Gateway Development Corporation
  - Valuation Tribunal Service

Communities and Local Government has supplied this information set in advance of HM Treasury's schedule for publishing data related to the government's transparency agenda.

The information provides a high level categorisation of Communities and Local Government spending, noting annual payments to suppliers for each category. Future data sets will be more comprehensive and granular, including data at invoice level.