

ANNEX TO PPN 05/21- NATIONAL PROCUREMENT POLICY STATEMENT

The Government has published the National Procurement Policy Statement (NPPS) which sets out the strategic priorities for public procurement and how contracting authorities can support their delivery.

This document links sources of additional information and tools which complement the national priorities as detailed in the NPPS.

Social Value

- [Procurement Policy Note \(PPN\) 06/20](#) sets out guidance for central government organisations on how to deliver social value through the Government's commercial activities. The model takes account of the additional social benefits that can be achieved in the delivery of its contracts, using policy outcomes aligned with the Government's priorities.
- To enable councils to outline key areas of focus, operational procedures, successes and resources available the [National Social Value Taskforce](#) have developed a [Social Value Statement template](#) which can be used to communicate key messages and secure support from staff, partners, suppliers and other locally based organisations to help create social value benefits for the community.
- The report [Delivering a Net Zero NHS](#) provides a detailed account of the NHS modelling and analytics underpinning the latest NHS carbon footprint, trajectories to net zero and the interventions required to achieve that ambition. It lays out the direction, scale and pace of change.

Commercial and Procurement Delivery

- The Government Commercial Function has published a suite of guidance to accompany the [Sourcing Playbooks](#). The Playbooks provide additional detail for how contracting authorities should assess, procure and deliver public services with a particular focus on complex procurement, whether the decision is to outsource and deliver a service in partnership with the private and third sector; in-source; use in-house resources or a mix of both. There are sector specific playbooks for Construction and Consultancy.
- The Home Office has published [guidance](#) to support organisations produce transparent modern slavery statements and launched the new [Modern Slavery Statement Registry](#) where businesses and public bodies can submit their modern slavery statements. The Government has developed the [Modern Slavery Assessment Tool](#) to support public bodies in working with their suppliers to implement effective modern slavery due diligence.
- [The Local Government Transparency Code 2015](#) requires Local Authorities to openly publish certain data sets in the public domain, and the sector has made great strides in this direction. Local authorities are publishing increasing volumes of data in open and accessible formats, both to enhance transparency and to ensure that the full value of their data is used to deliver public benefits such as local public service improvements.

Skills and Capability for procurement

- The Government Commercial Function has developed the [Commercial Continuous Improvement Assessment Framework](#), (which was formerly the Government Commercial Operating Standards Assessment Framework GovS 008: Annex E) to support contracting authorities in the delivery of public services and works, and which provides more

information about these key delivery stages. It sets out clear, consistent principles and policies and brings together general good procurement practices.

- In 2018, the Local Government Association published its [National Procurement Strategy - Toolkit](#) to help councils, and groups of councils, to set objectives in relation to the maturity levels in each of the key areas of the strategy and to assess their own progress against those objectives.
- The Government will continue to work with local government, NHS and other public sector bodies to further develop this set of core commercial operating standards that can be used for benchmarking across the public sector. This will include gathering relevant management information to allow effective benchmarking with comparable organisations.