



## CABINET – 27TH NOVEMBER 2012

**SUBJECT: NATIONAL PROCUREMENT SERVICES (NPS) FOR WALES**

**REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

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- 1.1 The report was considered by the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee on 13th November 2012.
- 1.2 Following discussion on the content of the report, the Scrutiny Committee recommended to Cabinet that, for the reasons contained therein:-
- (a) The Authority commits to the development of the NPS.
  - (b) The Authority agrees to use NPS contracts for the following commodity areas which equates to approximately 10 – 15% of our spend:
    - Information Communication and Technology
    - Utilities
    - Facilities and Management Services
    - Human Resources
    - Consultancy
    - Healthcare
    - Construction Materials (Outside the Welsh Housing Quality Standard)
    - Furniture and Soft Furnishings
    - Mail Services
    - Clothing
  - (c) The Authority continues with its own Procurement Strategy outside of the NPS for the following commodities, which equates to less than 10% of our spend:
    - Vehicle Management
    - Catering
    - Legal Services
    - Construction Material associated with Welsh Housing Quality Standard
    - Stationery – as long as the Joint Supplies is in existence
    - Cleaning and Janitorial – as long as the Joint Supplies is in existence
    - Educational Supplies – as long as the Joint Supplies is in existence
  - (d) Officers review the future of the Welsh Purchasing Consortium and County Borough Supplies and report back to Members with a clear recommendation for future working.
  - (e) Officers confirm commitment to the NPS by 14th December 2012 for the commodities detailed above in paragraph (b).

1.2 Members are asked to consider the recommendations.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Report 6(1) dated 13th November 2012