Sustainable Procurement Resource Plan June 2010

Action	Timescale and Milestones	Measures of success	Financial and Resource requirements	Responsible officer			
Short term action	Short term actions/level 2 of the flexible framework						
Adopt Sustainable Procurement Policy	 Policy and action plan adopted at Cabinet Flexible framework and action plan agreed July 2010 	Cabinet report approved	Officer time	FM			
Develop Toolkit	 Develop a toolkit for officers – simple guide to effective contract management and evaluation taking into account SP (include example method statements; tendering and contract clauses; bid assessment criteria; evaluation and monitoring guidance) Highlight best practice and case studies Network of key council officers who have experience of contracting and commissioning to share learning and best practice Dec 2010 	Intranet based toolkit developed and launched Guidelines and checks built into PM Connect at key gateways Regular evaluation taking place	Meet within existing resources – officer time	DB			
Training	 All staff receive training in sustainable procurement Include information on Sustainable Procurement (SP) in induction programme and contract procedure rules 	Training included as a module in Management Academy On-line induction programme and contract	Allocation of one of the annual Management Academy	JS/FM			

Supplier workshop	 Senior Managers conference and breakfast briefing to be held Sustainable procurement workshops to be held for key procurement staff April 2011 Key suppliers targeted for engagement and views and sharing best practice through a workshop Work with Southampton Partnership Delivery Board (SPDB) and local business community to engage suppliers on key issues Dec 2010 	procedure rules amended to reflect new policy Programme of briefings/workshops agreed Workshop held and well attended Agree programme of work with the SPDB to further develop ideas	modules to SP Can be met within existing resources and staff time Cost of workshop and associated admin to be met from existing budgets Expert officer input will be necessary.	JS/DB
Address contracts and commissioning over £100k and high impact areas	 Identify a programme for managing contracts and commissioning over £100k in areas with the potential for highest impact and improvement Work with officers in areas of highest impact to understand the issues and identify opportunities for improvement in a timely and cost effective way (i.e. when contract comes up for renewal) Support officers to prepare tendering and contract documents and bid assessment criteria April 2011 onwards 	PM Connect gateways have trigger points built in Capita delivering against our policy Evaluation of contracts and spend identifies areas where improvement are coming through	Some of this can be met within existing resources through officer time	JS
Whole life cost	Review and understand the implications	Decision made about	Met within	JS

analysis adopted	of whole life cost analysis for the council and decide if it is the right approach to be adopted • April 2011	approach	existing staff resources (Finance, procurement and sustainability)		
Undertake Review	 Assess progress against achieving Level 2 of the Flexible Framework Assess the outcomes of the 'Purchase to Pay' efficiency review and agree how this can be used to help drive further benefits from SP Identify whether there is a need for an 'Invest to Save' post or other resources necessary to drive forward the work to a Level 3 and push forward the partnership and supply chain working and make the appropriate recommendations to Cabinet. The aim is to be cost neutral. April 2011 	Level 2 of the Flexible Framework achieved Agree next steps and levels of resources needed to drive the agenda forward with recommendations to Cabinet	Meet within existing resources	JS/FM	
Medium term/level 3 of the flexible framework; contracts under £100k					
Staff Awareness	 Advanced training for key procurement staff Performance objectives and appraisals include sustainable procurement factors April 2012 	Management Academy module updated to reflect changes in council activity Targeted training for key staff Staff actively managing SP as part of their 'day	£TBC	JS	

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Strategy	 SP policy integrated and embedded into the broader procurement strategy when it is revised in 2012 April 2012 	The procurement strategy for the council becomes the sustainable procurement strategy in one seamless document	Meet within existing resources	JS
Address contracts and commissioning under £100k and medium/low impact areas	 Detailed understanding of areas of spend and how best to support managers to make sustainable procurement choices April 2013 	A programme of SP improvements and agreed outcomes in place	£TBC	JS
Supply chain management	 Develop a partnership approach to SP and produce a shared guidance/toolkit on how to apply the SP principles to be rolled out with the SPDB Identify resources to deliver a detailed mapping and assessment of the supply chain, focussing on ethical procurement Work with local businesses and focus efforts on enabling local SME's and the voluntary sector to access our procurement processes April 2012 onwards 	Guidance and toolkit agreed with SPDB Resources identified and programme of activity agreed	£TBC	DB