



What is Procurement?

Procurement is defined by the buying of services and goods that allow an organisation to operate, typically for business purposes. Procurement can be used to purchase goods and services usually on relatively large scale. Organisations can be on both sides of the procurement process as a buyer or seller.

Key features:

- Procurement is the process of buying goods and services, usually in reference to business spending.
- Business procurement requires planning, seeking opportunities, and payment processing.
- Procurement expenses can fall into several different categories, this will depend on the procurement demand.
- Competitive bidding is usually part of large-scale procurements.
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How procurement works

- Procurement budgets typically provide managers with a specific value to spend to procure goods and services.
- Procurement is usually a vital part of an organisation's strategy to deliver areas of their services or goods.
- Each procurement will have its own set of requirements that an organisation is looking to procure.

Who?

- Local authorities ([Dumfries and Galloway Council](#))
- The National Health Service ([NHS Dumfries and Galloway](#))
- The Scottish Government and other government agencies ([Scottish Enterprise](#))
- Key public services such as police, fire service & judiciary
- Further and Higher Educations ([Colleges & Universities](#))
- Non-departmental government bodies ([Historic Environmental Scotland](#))
- UK government departments based in Scotland ([Inland Revenue](#), [Jobcentre Plus](#))



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