Annex 1

Local Government Procurement Fitness Checks Summary of Themes and Recommendations

Theme/Recommendation	No of instances	Value Wales support
Ensure Senior Leaders are involved in forward strategic planning	22	Home Grown Talent Project
Implement Category Management Strategies	22	Short course training
Spend data analysis & intelligent use of information	22	Spend analysis exercise
Improve cross-departmental working	22	
Share of best practise by exemplar orgs - networking and mentoring	22	Regional events
Increase collaboration & use of frameworks	22	
e-Procurement support -update systems, p2p in devolved areas, training etc.	20	e-Procurement Service
Professional Procurement Training - develop staff both central & devolved	17	Short course and professional training contracts
Improve contract & supplier management	16	Short course training
Formalise KPIs, monitoring & reporting processes	16	Common KPIs
Performance monitoring and improved customer feedback to realise benefits	16	
Develop communications, change management & engagement strategies	13	Short course training
Develop sourcing plan & forward work programmes	13	
Raise profile of procurement across organisation	10	Home Grown Talent project
Improve commercial expertise	9	Short course training
Improve strategies for important spend areas - social care, estates, highways	7	Short course training
Develop central contracts register	6	
Implement use of standardised procurement templates	6	SQuID and eProcurement Service
Local business / SME development	5	
Robust controls to be enforced	4	
Clearly defined roles for procurement	3	
Develop a procurement implementation plan	3	
Change to Head of Procurement role - either re-evaluate role or advertise	3	
Improve risk management processes	3	
Strategic Review / Audit of Procurement	2	
Develop a resources plan	2	
Create procurement experts across the organisation	2	
Develop a succession plan	1	