

**TO: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMISSION
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**ANNUAL REPORT ON PROCUREMENT 2008-9
(Borough Treasurer)**

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Annual Report on Procurement 2008-9 reviews the expenditure analysis, the high spending areas, major procurement projects and achievements during the financial year.

2 SUGGESTED ACTION

- 2.1 The Commission are asked to note the Annual Report on Procurement 2008-09.**

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Comprehensive Spending Review (CSR07) required three per cent a year to be saved by the public sector up to 2010/11 to release £30 billion to frontline services. Local councils were assigned a target of £4.9 billion. It is anticipated that a large proportion of these savings will be achieved by procurement.
- 3.2 Within Bracknell Forest Council, the budget includes new annual procurement savings of £370,000 (£200,000 in 2008/09; a further £100,000 in 2009/10 and an additional £70,000 in 2010/11).
- 3.3 These savings are delivered through the efforts of a wide range of officers throughout the Council, with projects led or supported by the Corporate Procurement Team. Collaboration with other public sector bodies has continued through the use of frameworks and joint procurement.
- 3.4 This report, although backward looking, highlights the procurement achievements through corporate procurement projects and the increasing number of "advice cases" throughout the Council.

Background Papers

None

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