

CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE

FOR DECISION

Title: DRAFT PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

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Purpose

This paper presents a revised draft Procurement Strategy for consideration and adoption by the Committee.

Recommendations

The Audit & Risk Committee is asked to:

- a) Consider the updated draft Procurement Strategy;**
- b) Subject to any amendments identified and agreed by the Committee, adopt the Procurement Strategy for publication and use by the Authority.**

Executive Summary

1. An action to draw up a Sustainable Procurement Policy for the Authority has been open for a considerable time. There has also been considerable change in national procurement policy and legislation over the last years.
2. To reflect the significantly changed position, an entirely revised Procurement Strategy has been drafted. This strategy both reflects the new national environment for procurement in Scotland, and also incorporates key aspects which support delivery of sustainability in and through procurement. The revised procurement strategy is set out for consideration by the Committee at Annex I to this paper.
3. The Procurement Strategy is written as a joint strategy for both National Park Authorities in Scotland. The draft presented to Committee adjusts the standard joint draft slightly in a small number of areas to reflect the specifics of the Cairngorms National Park Authority. However, the great majority of this strategy document is a common format drafted for adoption by both National Park Authorities in Scotland.

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