

Annual Procurement Report

November 2023



Executive Summary

The Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 (PRA) requires any public organisation which has an estimated annual regulated¹ spend of £5 million or more to develop a procurement strategy and then review it annually. This requirement took effect from 31 December 2016. Organisations (including HE and FE institutions) required to develop and publish a procurement strategy were also required to publish an Annual Procurement Report (APR), reflecting on the relevant reporting period of the procurement strategy.

This report covers the period of 01 August 2022 to 31 July 2023 and addresses performance and achievements in delivering the Edinburgh Napier University organisational procurement strategy².

The development of the procurement strategy was the outcome of consultation and discussion with internal and external stakeholders who have an interest in the institutional approach to procurement and its impact. Stakeholder engagement will also feature in the annual assessments of the achievement of regulatory compliance, strategic objectives of the institution, value for money [defined as the best balance of cost, quality and sustainability] and delivery against the institution's broader aims and objectives, in line with Scotland's National Outcomes. This process of review and reporting will inform any adjustments to the procurement strategy deemed necessary to secure future performance improvements and to respond to the economic, political and financial influences to which the institution may need to adjust.

Edinburgh Napier University has analysed third party expenditure and has identified that over the period covered by this report the following expenditure has occurred:

- Procurements regulated under the World Trade Organisation's Government Procurement Agreement (GPA) [goods and services worth more than £213,477; works worth more than £5,336,937³ incl. VAT] amounted to £4,848,231. There were 12 such procurements completed⁴.

¹ 'Regulated' procurements are those with an estimated value equal to or greater than £50k (≥ £12,500 per annum over a four-year contract period excluding VAT) for goods & services (or £2,000,000 excluding VAT for a public works contract).

² https://staff.napier.ac.uk/services/finance/Procurement/Documents/ERPT_ProcurementStrategy.pdf

³ Public contracts (GPA) thresholds are revised every 2 years – next revision due on 01 /01/2024. For further info see: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/procurement-thresholds-and-vat-inclusion-in-estimated-contract-value-sppn-8-2021/>

⁴ Completed when the award notice is published or where the procurement process otherwise comes to an end - covers contracts and framework agreements.

- Lower value regulated procurements [goods and services worth more than £50,000, works worth more than £2 million excl. VAT] amounted to £3,511,174. There were 39 such procurements completed.

More detailed information on the regulated procurements, sorted into procurement categories, is provided in Sections 1 and 2 and in Appendix A of this report.

Edinburgh Napier University has over 1500 active suppliers with whom the University did business in the reporting period and the total procurement expenditure was £36,331,595.

The University has been optimising use of national, sectoral, local, or regional C1 collaborative contracts and frameworks. As well as bringing leverage-based savings, the burdens of risk, contract and supplier management are shared and the number of resource-intensive formal local tenders that need to take place is reduced significantly. 31% of the University spend went through collaborative agreements.

63% was spent with SMEs who constitute 88% of the total of active suppliers. 24 SMEs featured in the award of regulated procurements.

This report comprises six sections which address mandatory reporting requirements

- Section 1: Summary of Regulated Procurements Completed
- Section 2: Review of Regulated Procurement Compliance
- Section 3: Community Benefit Summary
- Section 4: Supported Businesses Summary
- Section 5: Future Regulated Procurements Summary

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1. Summary of Regulated Procurements Completed

Edinburgh Napier University strongly believes in conducting its procurements in an open and inclusive manner with procurement objectives aligned to the University's Strategic Plan.

The details of regulated procurements completed are set out in a list at the end of this report with details summarised in Appendix A. That information, coupled with the publication of the institutional Contracts Register⁵ and the systematic use of Public Contracts Scotland and Quick Quotes, provides complete visibility of the University's procurement activity over the reporting period.

In Appendix A, information is set out to show lower value regulated procurements completed and GPA regulated procurements completed. These are separated into contract categories and distinguish collaborative contracts from institutional ones. For each completed regulated procurement the information provided shows:

- the date of award
- the start dates
- the category subject matter (contract title)
- the name of the supplier
- estimated value of the contract – total over contract period
- collaborative or institution owned
- the end date provided for in the contract or a description of the circumstances in which the contract will end.
- SME

⁵ <http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk/#!/institution?inst=51>



2. Review of Regulated Procurement Compliance

Where appropriate, Edinburgh Napier University has made use of collaborative contracts to deliver improved contract terms, supported contract and supplier management, sustainable procurement outcomes and value for money (the best balance of cost, quality and sustainability).

In making its regulated procurements every care has been taken to ensure that the University awards the business to suppliers who are capable, reliable and who can demonstrate that they meet high ethical standards and values in the conduct of their business.

In the period covered by this report the University has conducted all its regulated procurements in compliance with EU Treaty Principles of equal treatment, non-discrimination, transparency, proportionality and mutual recognition.

Successful delivery against the procurement strategy objectives is part of a customer valued, continual improvement process (CIP) that seeks incremental improvements to process and outcomes over time.

Procurement aims and focus	Annual Report Commentary on strategy delivery/compliance
<p>To sustain and further develop partnerships within the sector, with other publicly funded bodies, with professional bodies and appropriately with supply markets that will yield intelligence, innovation and deliver value to users of procurement services.</p> <p>Addresses Statement of the authority's general policy on consulting and engaging with those affected by its procurements.</p>	<p>The engagement with internal and external stakeholders and suppliers provides valuable feedback which informs the University of possible necessary adjustments and improvements to strategy and process.</p> <p>For each procurement, the institution considers the community affected by the resultant contract and ensures that any affected organisations/persons are consulted (e.g., impact on service for students, or a local contract that could be combined with other similar institutions' needs). Such consultation will always be on a scale and approach relevant to the procurement in question.</p> <p>The institution contributes to sector contracting plans and has coordinated procurement efforts on a regional basis with Edinburgh College to deliver local collaborative contracts.</p>

Procurement aims and focus	Annual Report Commentary on strategy delivery/compliance
	<p>The institution actively engages with other bodies through HE and FE specific events, Scottish public-sector events and wider UK HE events.</p>
<p>To work with internal academic budget holders, professional support service colleagues and suppliers to deliver innovation and best value to the learning, research and service support communities through the development of an effective and co-ordinated purchasing effort within the Institution.</p> <p>Addresses Statement of the authority's general policy on the use of community benefit requirements</p>	<p>Optimal procurement strategies are developed and agreed through consultation with key stakeholders, end users and suppliers. This intelligence gathering approach is also used to deliver innovation, to improve skills and competencies in securing the most appropriate procurement routes to market that yield best value outcomes consistent with the guidelines set out in the Scottish Procurement Journey.</p> <p>Procurement activities follow the guidelines set out in the Procurement Journey. This helps to manage the expectations of stakeholders, customers and suppliers alike and facilitates best practice and consistency with what other organisations do across the Scottish public sector.</p> <p>For every procurement over £4m, the institution will consider how it can improve the economic social or environmental wellbeing of its area through inclusion of community benefit clauses. Where possible and proportionate, such clauses may be included in procurements below £4m</p> <p>Care is taken to ensure that procurement operations chime in with and support institutional strategic objectives</p>



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<p>Support Academic and Professional Services Departments to enhance the learning experience, for the many and diverse needs of stakeholders, by providing innovative solutions for their procurement decisions.</p>	<p>Optimal procurement strategies are developed and agreed through consultation with key stakeholders, end users and suppliers. This intelligence gathering approach is also used to deliver innovation, to improve skills and competencies in securing the most appropriate procurement routes to market that yield best value outcomes consistent with the guidelines set out in the Scottish Procurement Journey.</p> <p>Procurement activities follow the guidelines set out in the Procurement Journey. This helps to manage the expectations of stakeholders, customers and suppliers alike and facilitates best practice and consistency with what other organisations do across the Scottish public sector.</p> <p>For every procurement over £4m, the institution will consider how it can improve the economic, social or environmental wellbeing of its area through inclusion of community benefit clauses. Where possible and proportionate, such clauses may be included in procurements below £4m.</p> <p>Care is taken to ensure that procurement operations chime in with and support institutional strategic objectives.</p>



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<p>Embed sound ethical, social and environmental policies within the Institution's procurement function to ensure compliance with relevant Scottish, UK and EU legislation in performance of the sustainable procurement duty.</p>	<p>Procedures are in place to ensure that consideration of environmental, social and economic issues and benefits is made, where appropriate, on a contract-by-contract basis during the planning stage utilising tools including Prioritisation, Flexible Framework, APUC's Supply Chain Code of Conduct, and Supply Chain Management Programme (section 2 questions = Sustain)</p> <p>Procedures are also in place to ensure that regulated procurements are only awarded to businesses that are capable, reliable and, where relevant, meet high ethical standards and values in the conduct of their business. The institution is committed to contracting only with suppliers that comply with all appropriate and relevant legislation. Where appropriate, and on a contract by contract basis, the institution will assess the legislation applicable to a procurement and take steps to ensure bidders comply with it e.g. Health and Safety, Late Payment legislation. Where relevant and proportionate the Living Wage and fair work practices of suppliers are promoted in tender documentation. The University is a Living Wage employer.</p> <p>The Institution complies with its duties under the Modern Slavery Act.</p>
<p>Promote the delivery of value for money through good procurement practice and optimal use of procurement collaboration opportunities working with the supply chains to ensure continued value, managed performance and minimal risk throughout the life of contracts for the benefit of customers and students.</p>	<p>The best balance of cost, quality and sustainability is consistently used to assess value for money delivered and to identify sensible aggregation opportunities through collaborative contracting.</p> <p>The University sorts regulated procurements into procurement categories. How these goods, services and works are bought - joint purchasing, use of local, regional and national framework agreements, consolidated contracting – is subject to annual review with APUC and, through user consultation, optimal category strategies are agreed, sensible aggregation opportunities are exploited, category and commodity strategies are developed, recorded, signed off and processed.</p>

Procurement aims and focus	Annual Report Commentary on strategy delivery/compliance
<p>Sustain and further develop partnerships within the sector, with other publicly funded and professional bodies, and where appropriate with supply markets that will yield intelligence, innovation and deliver value to users of procurement.</p>	<p>The engagement with internal and external stakeholders and suppliers provides valuable feedback which informs the University of possible necessary adjustments and improvements to strategy and process.</p> <p>For each procurement, the institution considers the community affected by the resultant contract and ensures that any affected organisations/persons are consulted (e.g. impact on service for students, or a local contract that could be combined with other similar institutions' needs). Such consultation will always be on a scale and approach relevant to the procurement in question.</p> <p>The institution contributes to sector contracting plans.</p> <p>The institution actively engages with other bodies through HE and FE specific events, Scottish public-sector events and wider UK HE events.</p>
<p>Develop management information to measure and improve procurement and supplier performance, assisting key stakeholder areas in meeting their requirements for best value goods and services.</p>	<p>Internal governance procedures, policies and tools such as e-enabled workflow enhancements are introduced to effect improvements to procurement process and efficiency.</p> <p>Expenditure segmentation analysis and data located on the Hub, Hunter (including Contracts Registers) and Procurement Data Dashboard Where relevant, use is made of appropriate standards and labels in procurements to take account of fair and ethical trading considerations with due consideration given to equivalent tender offerings from suppliers. Use is made of PCS and PCS-T to publish procurement opportunities, appropriate use is made of lotting, output-based specifications and clear evaluation criteria to ensure that procurements are accessible to as many bidders (including SMEs) as possible.</p>

Edinburgh Napier University has procurement process and sign off arrangements that are consistent with the guidelines set out in the Procurement Journey and that have met the objectives and obligations set out immediately above.



3. Community Benefit Summary

For every procurement over £4m, Edinburgh Napier University will consider how it can improve the economic, social or environmental wellbeing of its area through inclusion of community benefit clauses, to assist with achieving sustainability in contracts activity, including targeted recruitment and training, small business and social enterprise development and community engagement. Where possible, relevant and proportionate, and where they are considered not to have a negative impact on the delivery of value for money, such clauses may be included in regulated procurements valued at below £4m.

The general University policy on identifying community benefit requirements is to conduct risk and opportunities assessments through stakeholder consultation and engagement – on a case-by-case basis the question is asked, ‘could a community benefit clause be usefully included’? Where relevant and proportionate to the subject matter of the procurement, the requirement is then built into the procurement specification and into the eventual conditions of contract performance.

Where applicable, as part of the tendering process, suppliers are invited to describe their approach to delivering community benefits or achieving social value through a contract. Relevant community benefits are cited such as:

- providing ‘upskilling’ opportunities (e.g., Toolbox talks) with students and staff,
- offering advice and assistance on the best practice methodology,
- employment, student work experience and vocational training opportunities,
- apprenticeships,
- local subcontractor opportunities available to SMEs, 3rd sector and supported businesses,
- direct involvement in community-based schemes or programmes,
- equality and diversity initiatives,
- supply-chain development activity,
- educational support initiatives,

Tenderers are invited to describe how such benefits will be successfully delivered through the contract and promoted to contract users. Where community benefits are included in a procurement (at or above the £4 million threshold), the award notice would include a statement of the benefits that are expected to be derived from the contract.

Edinburgh Napier University has awarded 50 regulated procurement contracts over the reporting period. None of these were over £4 million in value.



4. Supported Business

Higher value procurements regulated procurements (between £50k and GPA threshold and those equal to and above the GPA thresholds) are conducted in line with Routes 2 and 3 respectively of the Procurement Journey. Both Routes 2 and 3 mandate the use of the Single Procurement Document (SPD (Scotland)). The SPD covers exclusion, selection and award criteria and includes questions relating to companies self-certifying themselves in terms of size (micro, small or medium), or whether they are supported businesses [see Glossary of Terms for definitions].

The institution reviews each procurement to determine whether it could be fulfilled by a Supported Business, whilst remaining compliant with GPA and Scottish Procurement Legislation and ensuring value for money for the institution (using the only Supported Business register currently available and published by Ready for Business).

The University did not reserve any contracts for supported businesses in this period. The University aims to increase its contract uptake through the Supported Business framework agreement over the next two years. In tandem, the University will research opportunities for awarding contracts to third sector bodies including social enterprises.



5. Future Regulated Procurements

Edinburgh Napier University is keen to encourage competition by promoting optimal participation in its procurement process and achieve better value for money in its procurements. One method of achieving this is to give notice to suppliers of tendering opportunities that are expected to commence over the next two financial years after the period covered by this report.

In preparing this forward projection of anticipated regulated procurements, it is difficult to be precise about providing details of actual requirements. Over a forecast period of two years, it is very probable that circumstances and priorities will change so the list of projected individual regulated procurement exercises outlined in Appendix D should be viewed with this caveat in mind.

The information provided in Appendix D - list of Future Regulated Procurements covers:

- the subject matter of the anticipated regulated procurement
- expected award date
- expected start and end date
- the estimated value of the contract.
- contract category: call off from framework, C – local contract or C1 – local collaboration

6. Appendices

- Appendix A List of Regulated Procurements Completed in the Reporting Period
01/08/22 – 31/07/23
- Appendix B List of Regulated Procurements with Community Benefit
Requirements Fulfilled
- Appendix C List of Regulated Procurements placed with Supported Businesses
- Appendix D List of Regulated Procurements planned to commence in next two
F/Ys 23/24 & 24/25

Appendix A

List of Regulated Procurements Completed 1 August 2022 – 31 July 2023

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
C	01/08/2022	01/08/2022	Turnitin Licence Renewal	Turnitin LLC	£80,517	31/07/2024	Large
C - Recurrent Contract	01/08/2022	01/08/2022	AdvanceHE Subscription	Advance HE	£99,365	31/07/2025	Medium
C	01/08/2022	01/08/2022	Copyright Licensing	Copyright Licensing Agency Limited	£264,626	31/07/2024	Medium
C	01/08/2022	01/08/2022	Unit 4 Agresso licence, support & maintenance	UNIT4 Business Software Ltd	£143,682	31/07/2024	Medium
Call-off from Framework	01/08/2022	01/08/2022	Standalone Journal Subscriptions 22-23	Prenax Ltd.	£80,000	31/07/2023	Medium
C	10/08/2022	14/08/2022	ALMA library management system	Ex Libris UK Ltd	£211,656	13/08/2024	Small
C	17/08/2022	29/08/2022	Accommodation Replacement Mattresses and Sofas	Bishops Beds	£70,290	28/08/2023	Small
C	29/08/2022	01/09/2022	Epigeum Online Courses	Epigeum Ltd.	£123,377	31/08/2023	Micro
C	03/10/2022	01/10/2022	Blackbaud NXT (Raisers Edge)	Blackbaud Europe Ltd.	£96,539	30/09/2025	Medium
C	13/10/2022	13/10/2022	Print Serials LM Prenax	LM Prenax (formerly LM	£80,000	12/10/2023	Medium

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
				Information Deliver UK Ltd)			
Call-off from Framework	14/10/2022	31/10/2022	Desktop Engineer Contractors	Lorien Resourcing Limited	£54,304	30/08/2023	Large
Call-off from Framework	14/10/2022	31/10/2022	Desktop Engineer Contractors	Nash Squared Limited (FKA Harvey Nash Group Ltd)	£54,304	30/08/2023	Large
Call-off from Framework	14/10/2022	31/10/2022	Desktop Engineer Contractors	Venesky-Brown Recruitment Limited	£54,304	30/08/2023	Medium
Call-off from Framework	26/10/2022	13/10/2022	Monographs 22-23 Proquest	ProQuest LLC	£50,000	12/10/2023	Large
C	26/10/2022	26/10/2022	Academic Consultancy Project	The Knowledge Partnership (UK) Limited	£97,750	25/04/2023	Micro
C	01/11/2022	01/01/2023	All Trade Works Maintenance	Saltire Facilities Management Ltd	£300,000	31/12/2025	Large
C	23/11/2022	01/01/2023	Reactive Maintenance Tender 5 Lots	Lanes Group PLC	£700,000	31/12/2025	Large
C	23/11/2022	01/01/2023	Decoration Work Maintenance	MITIE	£60,000	31/12/2025	Large
Call-off from Framework	23/11/2022	09/12/2022	Library RFID System	Lyngsoe Systems Ltd (previously 2CQR)	£113,492	08/12/2027	Small
C1 - Local Collaboration	30/11/2022	01/12/2022	FAME 2022-2025	Jisc	£51,840	30/11/2025	Medium

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	01/12/2022	19/12/2022	Occupational Health - Staff	The MCL Group	£200,000	18/12/2024	Medium
Call-off from Framework	20/12/2022	21/12/2022	Citrix Netscaler	Phoenix Software Ltd	£88,945	20/12/2025	Medium
Call-off from Framework	09/01/2023	23/01/2023	Cisco Network Support	Stone Computers	£390,000	22/01/2026	Large
Call-off from Framework	27/01/2023	27/01/2023	Printing Red Triangle Alumni Magazine	J Thomson Colour Printers Ltd	£55,000	26/05/2023	Medium
C	01/02/2023	01/03/2023	Autoclave Equipment	LTE Scientific	£56,000	29/02/2024	Medium
C	17/02/2023	06/04/2023	Racking Systems Software Upgrade	Zwickroell Ltd.	£121,779	05/10/2023	Medium
Call-off from Framework	06/03/2023	06/03/2023	EV Charging Infrastructure Installation (Sighthill)	SWARCO UK Ltd	£60,000	05/05/2023	Medium
C	07/03/2023	07/03/2023	Floor Mounted Materials Testing	Instron a Division of ITW Ltd.	£69,307	06/04/2023	Large
C1 - Local Collaboration	22/03/2023	22/03/2023	UCS Server Infrastructure Refresh	Stone Technologies Limited	£342,968	21/03/2024	Large
Call-off from Framework	10/04/2023	01/05/2023	Microsoft & Platinum reactive	Phoenix (HP)	£126,876	30/04/2026	Large
C	14/04/2023	17/04/2023	ENU Brand Campaign 2023 - Creative Ideation	Creature London	£176,295	16/09/2023	Medium

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
Call-off from Framework	19/04/2023	01/05/2023	Water Management	ECG Building Maintenance Ltd (t/a ECG Facilities Services)	£160,000	30/04/2027	Medium
Call-off from Framework	24/04/2023	24/04/2023	Data Centre Switches Replacement	Stone Technologies Limited	£53,000	23/04/2026	Large
C	27/04/2023	01/05/2023	Student Accommodation Deep Clean	Perfect Clean Edinburgh Ltd	£420,000	30/04/2024	Micro
C	27/04/2023	01/05/2023	Student Accommodation Deep Clean	FLEXI CLEAN GROUP LTD	£420,000	30/04/2024	Small
C	01/05/2023	01/05/2023	Deep Cleaning Student Accommodation Sites Summer Period	Perfect Clean Edinburgh Ltd	£240,000	30/04/2024	Micro
Call-off from Framework	04/05/2023	18/05/2023	High Performance Computing Resource	Dell (HP)	£400,000	17/05/2024	Large
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	12/05/2023	12/05/2023	Campus Safety & Security Solution	CriticalArc Ltd	£124,000	11/05/2026	Small
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	16/05/2023	16/05/2023	Metaverse	CGI IT UK LIMITED	£50,000	15/09/2023	Large
C1 - Local Collaboration	16/05/2023	16/05/2023	Sage journal database 2023-2025	Jisc	£106,415	15/05/2025	Medium

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
C1 - Local Collaboration	31/05/2023	01/06/2023	British Standards Online (BSOL) 23-26	Jisc Services Limited	£60,639	31/05/2026	Medium
Call-off from Framework	01/06/2023	07/06/2023	Hybrid Migrations IT Contractors	Lorien Resourcing Limited	£83,000	06/12/2023	Large
Call-off from Framework	01/06/2023	07/06/2023	Hybrid Migrations IT Contractors	Nash Squared Limited (FKA Harvey Nash Group Ltd)	£83,000	06/12/2023	Large
Call-off from Framework	01/06/2023	07/06/2023	Hybrid Migrations IT Contractors	Venesky-Brown Recruitment Limited	£83,000	06/12/2023	Medium
C1 - Local Collaboration	01/06/2023	01/06/2023	Info4Education2 3-26	Jisc	£55,490	31/05/2026	Medium
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	12/06/2023	16/06/2023	Anthology Ally Software	TET Limited	£78,437	15/06/2026	Large
C	16/06/2023	16/06/2023	ENU Brand Campaign 2023 - Media Buying	THE KITE FACTORY GROUP LIMITED	£175,000	15/12/2023	Large
C	21/06/2023	21/06/2023	ENPS Newsroom Software	The Associated Press Limited	£51,600	20/06/2028	Medium
C	30/06/2023	17/07/2023	Heycentric Income Manager solution	G7 Business Solutions Limited	£75,000	16/07/2026	Small
C	05/07/2023	05/07/2023	Manual Handling (Student)	NHS Lothian Manual	£513,000	04/07/2026	Public Body

Category	Date of Award	Contract Start Date	Contract Title	Supplier	Contract Value	Final Date	SME
				Handling Service			
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	07/07/2023	06/07/2023	VMWare	Phoenix (HP)	£865,981	05/07/2026	Large
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	17/07/2023	31/07/2023	Sword IT Consultancy	Sword IT Solutions Ltd	£100,000	30/07/2024	Medium
Call-off from non-promoted Framework	17/07/2023	31/07/2023	QA Skills Licence	QA LTD	£59,675	30/07/2024	Large
Call-off from Framework	17/07/2023	01/01/2023	Springer Compact Database 23-25	Jisc	£117,585	31/12/2025	Medium
Call-off from Framework	31/07/2023	31/07/2023	Dissecting Microscopes	Evident Europe GMBH	£77,069	30/07/2024	Large
Call-off from Framework	31/07/2023	31/07/2023	Gas Chromatograph y Mass Spectrometry system	Agilent Technologies LDA UK Limited	£128,905	30/07/2026	Large

Appendix B List of Regulated Procurements with Community Benefit Requirements Fulfilled

None

Appendix C

List of Regulated Procurements placed with Supported Businesses

None

Appendix D

List of Regulated Procurements planned during 1 August 2023 – 31 July 2025

Contract Title	Expected Award Date	Expected Start Date	Expected End Date	Estimated Value Over Contract Period	Category
Online Payment Provider	01/08/2023	01/08/2023	31/07/2027	£280,000	C
Building Control Systems	21/08/2023	02/10/2023	01/10/2025	£120,000	C
Testing Services RMP	28/08/2023	01/09/2023	31/08/2026	£110,000	C
Legal Services	31/08/2023	01/09/2023	31/08/2025	£200,000	Call-off from Framework
AV Supply and Installation	01/09/2023	01/10/2023	30/09/2026	£120,000	C
CNC Machine Replacement	27/09/2023	05/10/2023	04/11/2023	£90,000	C - Framework
CAS Shield	29/09/2023	29/09/2023	28/09/2027	£140,000	C
CRM Roadmap & Case Management	02/10/2023	02/10/2023	01/10/2024	£90,000	Call-off from non-promoted Framework
Graduation Video and AV Services	17/11/2023	17/11/2023	16/11/2026	£180,000	C
Courier, Parcel & International Mail & Parcel Services	29/11/2023	02/12/2023	01/12/2026	£100,000	C
Student Placement Software - Inplace	01/12/2023	01/12/2023	30/11/2026	£130,000	C
EVA Systems & Support	19/12/2023	19/12/2023	18/12/2024	£90,000	C
HR Software System(and Payroll SaaS Solution)	22/12/2023	22/12/2023	21/12/2025	£250,000	C

Contract Title	Expected Award Date	Expected Start Date	Expected End Date	Estimated Value Over Contract Period	Category
Long Term Media Buying Agency	01/01/2024	01/01/2024	31/12/2026	£3,500,000	C
Wiley 2024-2026	01/01/2024	01/01/2024	31/12/2027	£320,000	Call-off from Framework
Printing Red Triangle Alumni Magazine	29/01/2024	29/01/2024	28/05/2024	£60,000	Call-off from Framework
Mobile Telephony	30/01/2024	18/03/2024	17/03/2027	£120,000	C
Graduation Services	28/02/2024	01/03/2024	29/02/2028	£700,000	C
OUP-SHEDL Oxford University Press Journals 24-26	01/03/2024	01/03/2024	28/02/2027	£60,000	C1 - Local Collaboration
Student Card Printing Bureau Services	04/03/2024	03/06/2024	02/06/2027	£80,000	C
Merchant Acquiring Services	11/03/2024	01/04/2024	31/03/2027	£240,000	C
The Supply of Housing Management Software	25/03/2024	08/07/2024	07/07/2028	£110,000	C
Abintegro Renewal	31/05/2024	31/05/2024	30/05/2027	£80,000	C
Multi-Functional Devices (MFD) Print	01/06/2024	01/08/2024	31/07/2029	£430,000	C
Payment Solutions - PSC	08/07/2024	01/08/2024	31/07/2027	£9,000,000	C
Copyright Licensing	01/08/2024	01/08/2024	31/07/2025	£140,000	C
Unit 4 Agresso licence, support & maintenance	01/08/2024	01/08/2024	31/07/2025	£80,000	C
ABI academic journals	01/08/2024	01/08/2024	31/07/2026	£60,000	Call-off from Framework
ALMA library management system	14/08/2024	14/08/2024	13/08/2025	£110,000	C
Snow Clearing & Gritting	01/10/2024	30/10/2024	29/10/2027	£220,000	C

Contract Title	Expected Award Date	Expected Start Date	Expected End Date	Estimated Value Over Contract Period	Category
Waste Management Services	01/11/2024	02/12/2024	01/12/2027	£160,000	C
Cognos Planning Analytics License IBM	01/12/2024	01/12/2024	30/11/2027	£80,000	C
eInvoicing and eMarketplace Solution	31/01/2025	22/01/2025	21/01/2030	£130,000	C
External Audit	01/04/2025	01/04/2024	31/03/2027	£250,000	Call-off from Framework
SAN Replacement and Support	01/04/2025	01/05/2025	31/05/2025	£460,000	C
Consolidated Scientia (ENU Timetabling Provision) Invoicing	01/04/2025	01/08/2025	31/07/2028	£130,000	C
Elsevier ScienceDirect Electronic Journal Read and Publish, 2024-	03/05/2025	03/05/2025	02/05/2028	£500,000	Call-off from Framework
Payment Platform	05/05/2025	03/08/2026	02/08/2029	£140,000	C
SIPS Trunks	01/06/2025	01/06/2025	31/05/2028	£90,000	Call-off from Framework
Fire Equipment & Maintenance	02/06/2025	19/07/2025	18/07/2026	£60,000	C
SHEDLot2ebooks-Springer	31/07/2025	01/08/2025	31/07/2028	£50,000	C



Glossary of Terms

A, B, C and C1 Contracts (Who buys what?)

Category A	Collaborative Contracts available to all public bodies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Procurement
Category B	Collaborative Contracts available to public bodies within a specific sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Procurement • APUC • Scotland Excel • NHS National Procurement
Category C	Local Contracts for use by individual public bodies
Category C1	Local or regional collaborations between public bodies

APUC’s Code of Conduct - APUC and its client community of colleges and universities is committed to carrying out procurement activities in an environmentally, socially, ethically, and economically responsible manner and to entering into agreements and contracts with suppliers that share and adhere to its vision. To demonstrate this commitment, current and potential suppliers are asked to acknowledge their compliance with the principles of the APUC Supply Chain Code of Conduct with respect to their organisation and their supply chain.

BT14 – Sustainability Based Benefits - sustainability benefits where costs are not normally relevant can be reported but will normally be described in narrative including but not limited to the following areas:

- Reduction in waste – packaging and / or further use of residue from processes etc.
- Reduction in consumption - use of raw materials (consumables, utilities etc.)
- Recycling and/or reuse of products
- Enhanced Reputation and/or marketing opportunities
- Community Benefits delivery
- Carbon Reduction
- Social, equality and / or environmental improvements



Category Subject is a collection of commodities or services sourced from the same or similar supply base, which meet a similar consumer need, or which are inter-related or substitutable.

Community Benefits are requirements which deliver wider benefits in addition to the core purpose of a contract. These can relate to social- economic and or environmental. Benefits. Community Benefits clauses are requirements which deliver wider benefits in addition to the core purpose of a contract. These clauses can be used to build a range of economic, social, or environmental conditions into the delivery of institutional contracts.

Contracts Registers these typically provide details of the procurement exercise to capture key information about the **contract** (the goods and services, values, date started, expiry date, procurement category etc).

Cost Avoidance The act of eliminating costs or preventing their occurrence in the first place. It tends not to show up on, but materially impacts, the bottom-line cost and is normally referred to as a “soft” cost saving i.e., negating supplier requests to increase costs, procuring services/goods/ works under budget, obtaining prices lower than the market average/median.

Contract management or contract administration is the management of contracts made with customers, suppliers, partners, or employees. Contract management activities can be divided into three areas: service delivery management; relationship management; and contract administration.

GPA regulated procurements are those whose values require that they are conducted in compliance with the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 and the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014.

Flexible Framework Self-Assessment Tool (FFSAT) enables measurement against various aspects of sustainable procurement.

Hub (Spikes Cavell) - The Scottish Procurement Information Hub is provided by Spikes Cavell as a spend analysis tool allowing organisations to: -

This information means that individual organisations and Centres of Expertise can identify where collaborative opportunities might exist and where transactional efficiencies could be made.

For more information, visit the Scottish Government's Hub page.

Hunter - Hunter has been developed by the eSolutions team. It is a database solution which uses standard Microsoft packages (Access and SQL Server) enabling organisations to effectively monitor and report on collaborative contracting activities.

As a solution, it is operational within the HE/FE sector in Scotland and is also being utilised by the HE consortia in England and Wales that also provide collaborative contracting services to the sector. Hunter has a multi-level structure which allows consortia to share collaborative agreements, make them visible to their member organisations, and in turn enabling them to record their own contracts.

Institutional Dashboard - is the area within the APUC Buyers Portal being developed by the APUC eSolutions team providing easy access to institutions' key management reporting data being recorded centrally through **Hunter**. The dashboard currently hosts key regulatory procurement information on Contracts Registers, forward contracting plans, expenditure reporting and APR Data. The list of reports is planned to expand to cover savings and PCIP dashboard data.

Lotting - the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 encourage the use of lots (regulation 47), to promote competitiveness and to facilitate the involvement of SMEs in the public procurement market, by considering the appropriateness of dividing contracts into lots to smaller contracts.

OJEU thresholds OJEU is the Official Journal of the European Union, the gazette of record for the European Union. Around 2500 new notices are advertised every week - these include invitations to tender, prior information notices, qualification systems and contract award notices.

Output Specification requirements are set out in terms of what you want to achieve, leaving the tenderers to decide on how they will deliver those requirements. This can lead to innovation by the tenderers. The services detailed in the output specification should be capable of objective assessment so that the performance of the supplier can be accurately monitored.

Prioritisation - the Sustainable Public Procurement Prioritisation Tool which is a tool to aid all procuring organisations across the Scottish Public Sector designed to bring a standard structured approach to the assessment of spend categories.



Procurement Journey is public procurement toolkit with guidance and templates on the procurement process to facilitate a standardised approach to the market and contract and supplier management.

Procurement & Commercial Improvement Programme (PCIP) replaced the previous Procurement Capability Assessment (PCA) and focuses on the policies and procedures driving procurement performance and more importantly, the results they deliver.

PCS (Public Contracts Scotland) is the national advertising portal used to advertise all public sector goods, services or works contract opportunities.

PCS-Tender is the national eTendering system and is centrally funded by the Scottish Government. The system is a secure and efficient means for buyers and suppliers to manage tender exercises online. The standard templates enable buyers to create consistent tender documentation.

Segmentation the division and grouping of suppliers or contracts in relation to spend and its criticality to business.

Small and Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs) encompass –

Micro enterprises: enterprises which employ fewer than 10 persons and whose annual turnover and/or annual balance sheet total does not exceed £1.57 million.

Small enterprises: enterprises which employ fewer than 50 persons and whose annual turnover and/or annual balance sheet total does not exceed £7.86 million.

Medium enterprises: enterprises which are neither micro nor small, which employ fewer than 250 persons and which have an annual turnover not exceeding £39.28 million, and/or an annual balance sheet total not exceeding £33.78 million.

Social Enterprises are revenue-generating businesses with primarily social objectives whose surpluses are reinvested for that purpose in the business or in the community, rather than being driven by the need to deliver profit to shareholders and owners.

Supply Chain encompasses all activities, resources, products etc. involved in creating and moving a product or service from the supplier to the procurer.

Supply Chain Management Programme (Sustain) is the APUC supply chain sustainability web portal, a central hub where sector suppliers can complete and store sustainability compliance data. The portal is the core supply chain sustainability tool supporting HE and FE institutions and their suppliers in delivering a transparent, environmentally positive, ethical, and socially responsible supply chain.



Supported business means an economic operator whose main aim is the social and professional integration of disabled or disadvantaged persons, and where at least 30% of the employees of the economic operator are disabled or disadvantaged persons.

Supported employment programme means an employment programme operated by an economic operator, the main aim of which is the social and professional integration of disabled or disadvantaged persons, and where at least 30% of those engaged in the programme are disabled or disadvantaged persons.

Sustainable Procurement A process whereby organisations meet their needs for goods, services, works and utilities in a way that achieves value for money on a whole life basis and generates benefits, not only for the organisation but also to society, the economy, and the environment.

Third-Party Expenditure is calculated based upon the total value of invoices paid per annum, excluding VAT, to all suppliers for the purchase of goods and services. It is defined as including goods – tangible products such as stationery, which are often also known as supplies. Services – provision of an intangible product such as refuse collection, elderly home care, whether carried out internally or externally. Works – including construction works and utilities – energy costs. It excludes employee costs, non-cash expenditure (e.g., depreciation), grants, trust payments and other non-controllable payments to other publicly funded bodies but should include spending on agency staff, capital expenditure and programme spend on commodities and services.



Annual Procurement Report template

[NOTE: reference to contract is also to be construed as meaning a framework agreement]

1. Organisation and report details	
a) Contracting Authority Name	Edinburgh Napier University
b) Period of the annual procurement report	1 August 2022 - 31 July 2023
c) Required by s18 Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014 to prepare an annual procurement report? (Yes / No)	Yes
2. Summary of Regulated Procurements Completed	
a) Total number of regulated contracts awarded within the report period	50
b) Total value of regulated contracts awarded within the report period	£8,279,405
c) Total number of unique suppliers awarded a place on a regulated contract awarded during the period	40
i) how many of these unique suppliers are SMEs	24
ii) how many of these unique suppliers how many are Third sector bodies	1
3. Review of Regulated Procurements Compliance	
a) Number of regulated contracts awarded within the period that complied with your Procurement Strategy	50
b) Number of regulated contracts awarded within the period that did not comply with your Procurement Strategy	0
4. Community Benefit Requirements Summary	
Use of Community Benefit Requirements in Procurement:	
a) Total Number of regulated contracts awarded with a value of £4 million or greater.	0
b) Total Number of regulated contracts awarded with a value of £4 million or greater that contain Community Benefit Requirements	N/A
c) Total Number of regulated contracts awarded with a value of less than £4 million that contain a Community Benefits Requirements	1
Key Contract Information on community benefit requirements imposed as part of a regulated procurement that were fulfilled during the period:	
d) Number of Jobs Filled by Priority Groups (Each contracting authority sets its own priority groups)	0
e) Number of Apprenticeships Filled by Priority Groups	0
f) Number of Work Placements for Priority Groups	0

g) Number of Qualifications Achieved Through Training by Priority Groups	0
h) Total Value of contracts sub-contracted to SMEs	0
i) Total Value of contracts sub-contracted to Social Enterprises	0
j) Total Value of contracts sub-contracted to Supported Businesses	0
k) Other community benefit(s) fulfilled	0
5. Fair Work and the real Living Wage	
a) Number of regulated contracts awarded during the period that included a Fair Work criterion.	10
b) Number of unique suppliers who have committed to pay the real Living Wage in the delivery of a regulated contract awarded during the period.	8
c) Number of unique suppliers who are accredited Living Wage employers and were awarded a regulated contract awarded during the period.	1
d) Number of unique suppliers who have signed up to the Scottish Business Pledge and were awarded a regulated contract awarded during the period.	1
6. Payment performance	
a) Number of valid invoices received during the reporting period.	19055
b) Percentage of invoices paid on time during the period ("On time" means within the time period set out in the contract terms.)	59%
c) Number of regulated contracts awarded during the period containing a contract term requiring the prompt payment of invoices in public contract supply chains.	0
d) Number of concerns raised by sub-contractors about the timely payment of invoices within the supply chain of public contracts.	0
7. Supported Businesses Summary	
a) Total number of regulated contracts awarded to supported businesses during the period	0
b) Total spend with supported businesses during the period covered by the report, including:	N/A
i) spend within the reporting year on regulated contracts	N/A
ii) spend within the reporting year on non-regulated contracts	N/A
8. Spend and Savings Summary	
a) Total procurement spend for the period covered by the annual procurement report.	£36,331,595
b) Total procurement spend with SMEs during the period covered by the annual procurement report.	£24,489,674

c) Total procurement spend with Third sector bodies during the period covered by the report.	Unknown
d) Percentage of total procurement spend through collaborative contracts.	31%
e) Total targeted cash savings for the period covered by the annual procurement report	N/A
i) targeted cash savings for Cat A contracts	N/A
ii) targeted cash savings for Cat B contracts	N/A
iii) targeted cash savings for Cat C contracts	N/A
f) Total delivered cash savings for the period covered by the annual procurement report	£1,387,845
i) delivered cash savings for Cat A contracts	£493,825
ii) delivered cash savings for Cat B contracts	£872,238
iii) delivered cash savings for Cat C contracts	£21,782
g) Total non-cash savings value for the period covered by the annual procurement report	£144,000
9. Future regulated procurements	
a) Total number of regulated procurements expected to commence in the next two financial years	40
b) Total estimated value of regulated procurements expected to commence in the next two financial years	£18,325,982

NOTES

- Reference to contract is also to be construed as meaning a framework agreement.
- Please provide exact figures wherever possible, rather than estimations.
- Please distinguish between the '0' value and where information is either not recorded or not available.

1. Organisation and report details

- a) Enter the name of the contracting authority to which the report refers.
- b) Enter the actual period of the report (for example, 101 April 18 to 31 March 19 or 1 August 18 to 31 July 19.)
- c) Has the report been prepared because there is a requirement to do so under Section 18 of the 2014 Act?

2. Summary of regulated procurements completed

- a) This is the total number of all regulated contracts that were awarded during the reporting period as a result of regulated procurements.
- b) This is the total estimated value (excluding VAT) of all regulated contracts that were awarded during the reporting period as a result of regulated procurements.
- c) This is the total number of unique suppliers that were awarded a place on a regulated contract which was awarded during the reporting period. (where a supplier has been awarded more than one framework, or contract only one instance should be recorded).
 - i) Number of unique SME suppliers that were awarded a place on a contract awarded during the reporting period. (An SME means an enterprise which employs less than 250 staff.)
 - ii) Number of unique Third sector suppliers that were awarded a place on a contract awarded during the reporting period.

3. Review of regulated procurements compliance

- a) Total number of regulated contracts awarded within the reporting period that complied with the commitments and policies set out in your corporate procurement strategy.
- b) Total number of regulated contracts awarded within the reporting period that did not comply with commitments and policies set out in the corporate procurement strategy.

4. Community benefit requirements summary

- a) Total number of individual regulated contracts awarded within the reporting period with a value of £4 million or greater.
- b) Total number of individual regulated contracts awarded within the reporting period with a value of £4 million or greater that contain Community Benefit requirements.
- c) Total number of regulated contracts with a value of less than £4 million that contain that contain Community Benefit requirements.
- d) Total number of jobs filled by individuals within a priority group during the period of the report.
- e) Total number of apprenticeships filled by priority groups during the period of the report.
- f) Total number of work placements delivered for priority groups during the period of the report.
- g) Number of qualifications achieved during the period of the report through training by priority groups.
- h) Total value of contracts subcontracted to SMEs during the period of the report
- i) Total value of contracts subcontracted to Social Enterprises during the period of the report.
- j) Total value of contracts subcontracted to Supported Businesses during the period of the report.
- k) Other community benefits that were fulfilled during the period of the report that do not fall into one of the preceding categories.

5. Fair Work and the real Living Wage

- a) Number of regulated contracts awarded during the reporting period where it was relevant to include a scored Fair Work First criterion.
- b) Total number of unique suppliers that have committed to pay the real Living Wage to persons involved in producing, providing or constructing the subject matter of regulated procurements; this number will include suppliers who are awarded onto a framework agreement and will also reflect those suppliers who are accredited as Living Wage employers.
- c) Number of unique suppliers who are accredited Living Wage employers and were awarded a regulated contract during the period of the report; this number will include suppliers who are awarded onto a framework agreement.
- d) Number of unique suppliers signed up to the Scottish Business Pledge and were awarded a regulated contract during the period of the report; this number will include suppliers who are awarded onto a framework agreement.

6. Payment performance

- a) Total number of valid invoices received during the period of the report.
- b) The percentage of valid invoices received during the period of the report that were paid on time (for example, within the time period set out in the contract terms).
- c) Total number of regulated contracts awarded during the period of the report that contained a contract term requiring the prompt payment of invoices in public contract supply chains.
- d) Total number of concerns raised by sub-contractors within the timeframe covered by the report about timely payment of invoices relating to the supply chain of public contracts.

7. Supported businesses summary

- a) Total number of all regulated contracts that were awarded to supported businesses during the reporting period (this includes contracts reserved for supported businesses)
- b) Total amount of spend with supported businesses during the reporting period (through regulated and non-regulated contracts).
 - i) Total spend with supported businesses during the reporting period through regulated contracts (*including spend within the period on contracts placed before the period*).
 - ii) Total spend with supported businesses during the reporting period through non-regulated contracts (*including spend within the period on contracts placed before the period*).

8. Spend and savings summary

- a) Total amount of procurement spend during the reporting period.
- b) Total amount of procurement spend with SMEs during the reporting period.
- c) Total amount of procurement spend with Third Sector bodies during the reporting period.
- d) Percentage of total procurement spend during the reporting period that is through collaborative contracts.
- e) Total amount of cash savings that was targeted / forecast for the period of the report.
 - i) Total amount of cash savings that was forecast for the period of the report through Cat A (National) contracts.
 - ii) Total amount of cash savings that was forecast for the period of the report through Cat B (Sectoral) contracts.
 - iii) Total amount of cash savings that was forecast for the period of the report through Cat C contracts.
- f) Total amount of cash savings delivered for the period of the report.
 - i) Total amount of cash savings delivered during the period of the report through Cat A (National) contracts.

- ii) Total amount of cash savings delivered during the period of the report through Cat B (Sectoral) contracts.
- iii) Total amount of cash savings delivered during the period of the report through Cat C contracts.

9. Future regulated procurements

- a) Total number of all regulated contracts that are expected to commence in the next two financial years.
- b) Total estimated value of all regulated contracts that are expected to commence in the next two financial years.