

# Sustainable Procurement

D&G Council Procurement Improvement Project

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Local Authority Forum Meeting

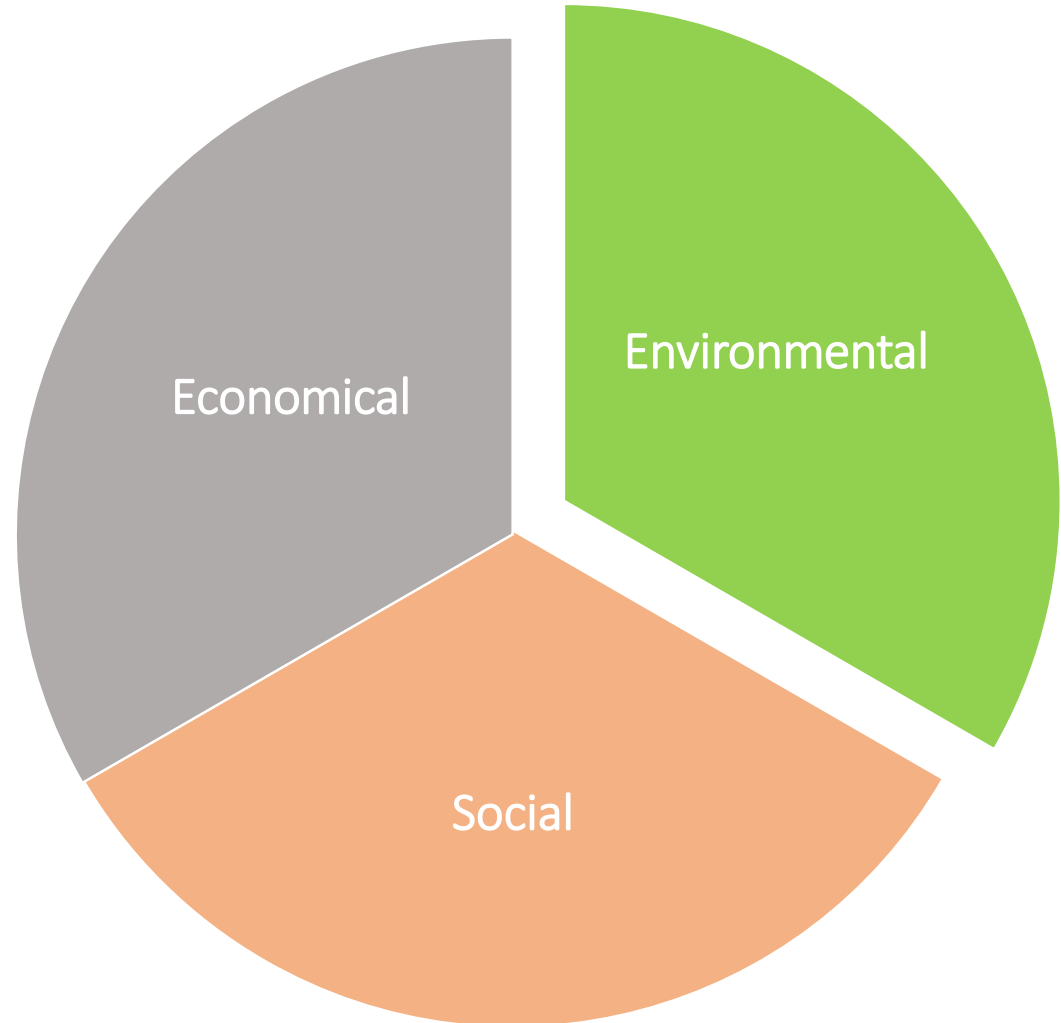
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# What do we mean by sustainable procurement?

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*“Sustainable procurement means making sure that the products and services we buy are as sustainable as possible, with the lowest environmental impact and most positive social results.”*

(UNDP)



Sustainable public procurement **aims to make the best use of public money, helping us to achieve our overarching purpose and strategic objectives.**

Its benefits include:

Improve the social, environmental and economic wellbeing of the area

Help combat climate change

-Reduce inequality

-Encourage involvement of SMEs, 3<sup>rd</sup> sector bodies and supported businesses

-Promote innovation

-Increase savings

-Reduce risk of reputational damage

# How can we adopt sustainable procurement?





What a good sustainable procurement looks like?

Benefits of adapting the circular economy  
in Scotland Excel's  
Domestic Furniture Framework



# Procurement Improvement Project in consultation with the Council's Climate Emergency Team

## Strategy Development

- Sustainability as part of a contract's benefits section (contract strategy)

## Documents Development

- Guidance on writing specifications

## Selection & Award

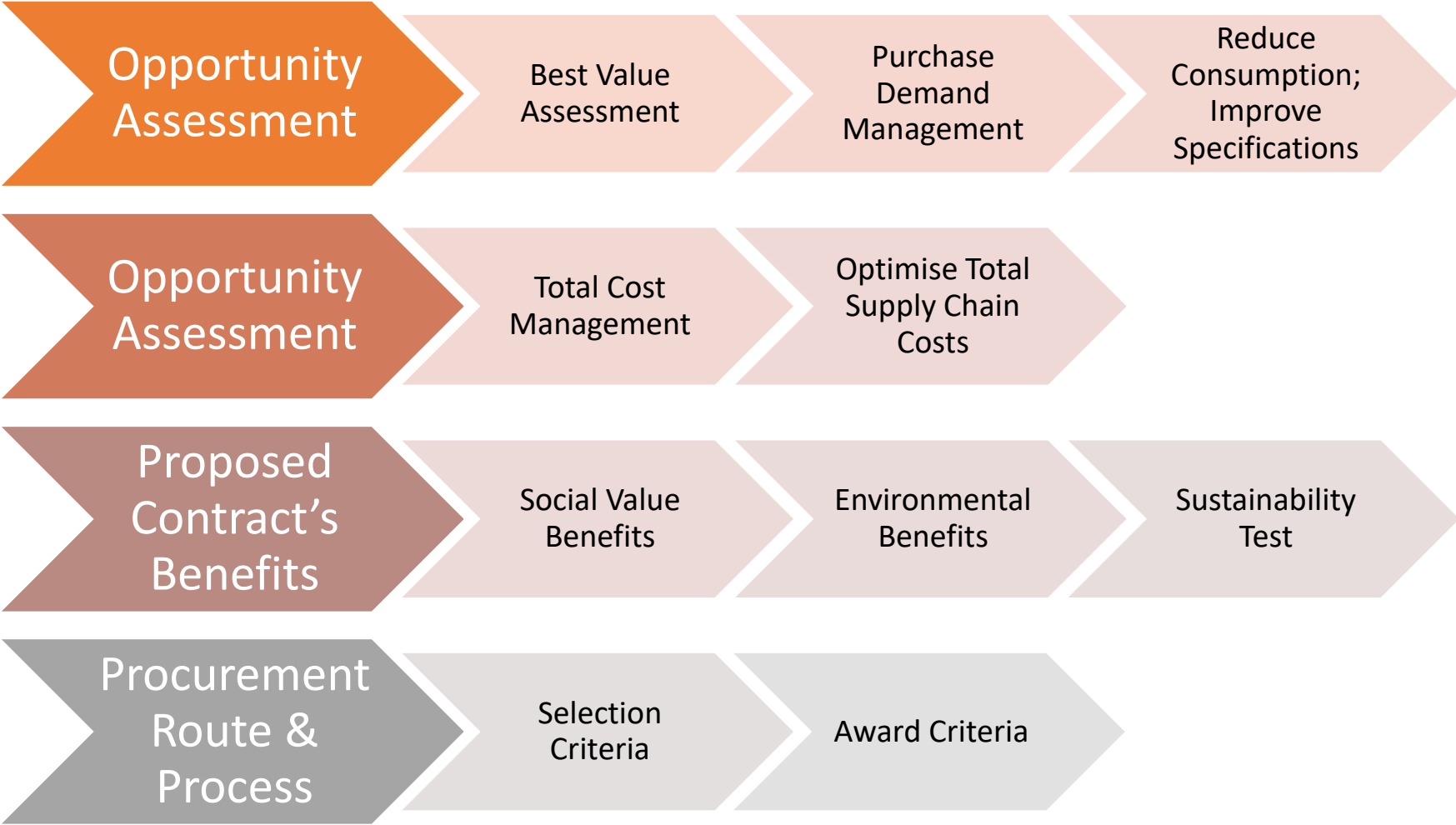
- Examples of selection & award questions

## Contract & Supplier Management

- Community Benefits Forum

# Contract Strategy

## Sustainability Considerations Stops



## Tender Documents

### Sustainability Considerations Stops

- **Climate Emergency Statement to be included in the ITT**
  - Climate action is a collective effort,
  - Suppliers are encouraged to support climate emergency aspirations
  - As partners we strive together towards a more resource efficient, lower carbon and circular economy.
- **Guidance on criteria selection and specifications based on the Scottish Government's guidance (<https://sustainableprocurementtools.scot>)**
  - Supplier Selection - SPD (Single Procurement Document)
  - Specification Development
  - Supplier Award



## Community Benefits Outcomes linked with the Council's Priorities

*“Urgently respond to climate change and transition to a carbon neutral region”*

### Community Benefits Suggestions

- Circular Economy Measures
- Circular Economy Promotion
- School or Further Education Project in a Climate Context
- Environmental Lessons to Schools
- Donations to Local Environmental Projects
- Sponsorship of Local Environmental Projects
- Low Carbon Net Zero Projects

## What helps to deliver sustainable procurement?

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Cross-functional teams

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Closely working procurement and service teams

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Category management

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Early engagement with suppliers

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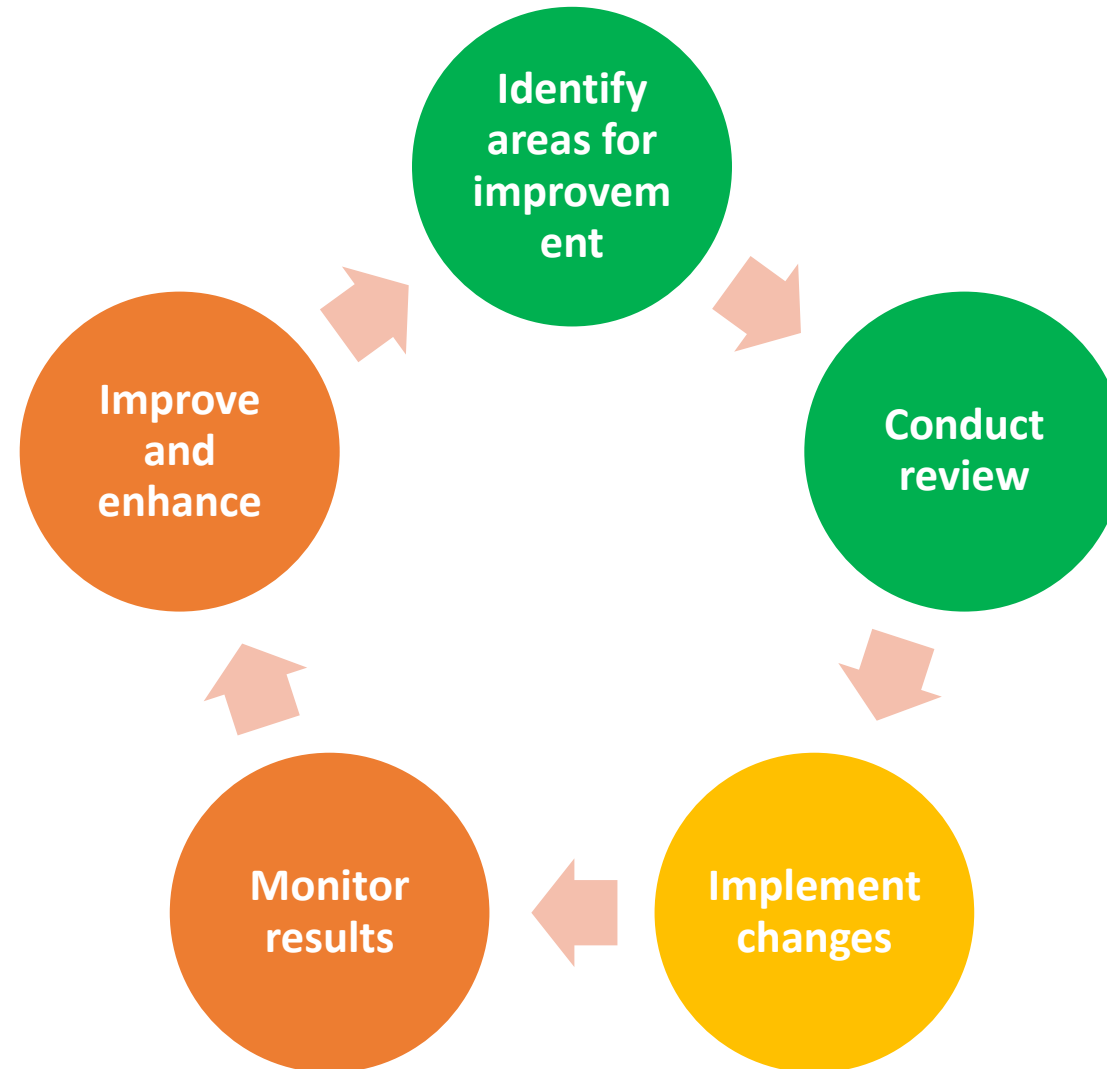
Effective contract management

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Buy-in from senior management

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# Implementing Sustainable Procurement is a continuous journey!



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