

**NHS 24
BOARD**

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FOR APPROVAL**

NHS 24 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

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Action Required	The report is presented to the Board for approval.
Key Points	<p>NHS24 is required to produce and publish both a Procurement Strategy and Annual report. This Strategy is an enabler to support NHS 24 to deliver their corporate objectives in line with public procurement legislation, the Scottish Model of Procurement and Scottish Government policy.</p> <p>This paper introduces the Planning and Performance Committee to the Procurement Strategy for 2019-2021</p> <p>In line with recent guidance from Scottish Government this strategy has been revised to include updates on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The Vision and role of Procurement within NHS24▪ Procurement policies▪ A summary of key priorities over the next 3 years▪ Annual Procurement Report updates
Financial Implications	There are no financial implications.
Timing	Revised to conform with current guidance and format introduced by Scottish Government (SG) .
Contribution to NHS 24 strategy	This paper demonstrates progress against the NHS 24 organisational priority of meeting its financial targets and delivering best value
Contribution to the 2020 Vision and National Health and Social Care Delivery Plan (Dec 2016)	Ensuring NHS 24 has robust procurement processes in place and demonstrates value for money is key to the contribution NHS 24 makes to the 2020 Vision and National Health and Social Care Delivery Plan (Dec 2016) on an ongoing basis.
Equality and Diversity	The procurement strategy complies with all requirements in relation to equality and diversity.

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Board approves the Procurement Strategy for publication.

BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Procurement Reform Act (Scotland) 2014 placed a requirement on all public bodies with an annual turnover in excess of £5,000,000 to have a Procurement Strategy in place and to produce an Annual Report.
- 2.2 NHS 24 Procurement Leadership and provision is provided via an SLA by GJNH Procurement Team. The attached document sets out the Procurement Strategy, which is a legal requirement for NHS Boards to publish and review annually.
- 2.3 The Procurement Strategy was presented and endorsed by the Planning and Performance Committee at its August 2019 meeting.