



Request

In reference to the councils current Capita One contract, with the new procurement bill that comes in to play on 24th Feb 2025 and states:

- Clause 12 says that contracting authorities “must have regard” for delivering value for money, maximizing public benefit, transparency and acting with integrity, and must treat suppliers equally. "

With the above in mind please can you outline when procurement activity will begin for this contract.

Response

Thank you for your query. As a Contracting Authority, Wigan Council is familiar with the objectives of the Procurement Act 23.

Please can we politely direct you to Chapter 4 of the Procurement Act 23, which details “Awards under Frameworks”:

- (1) “A contracting authority may award a public contract in accordance with a framework.”

The Procurement Act allows for the use of compliant frameworks as a commissioning route to satisfy the objectives defined in Clause 12 of the Act.

Commissioners are proposing to use the Crown Commercial Service's G-CLOUD 14 ICT Framework as the proposed route to market. Transparency notices will be actioned if an award is made from this framework.