

**COUNCIL, 13 JULY 2016**

## **REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

### **CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGY**

At its meeting on 26 May 2016 the Governance Committee considered a report which sought to make significant changes to the Contract Procedure Rules (CPR) and Procurement Strategy. This was based on the fact that the CPR currently in place, had been agreed in 2012 and was therefore overdue for revision. The report set out the approach and process for achieving improved procurement performance, greater efficiency and improvement in the delivery of community and economic outcomes from our procurement activity.

The current Procurement Strategy had been agreed in 2011 and had expired in 2014 and so needed to be brought up to date. Recent changes to EU thresholds and the introduction of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 were also reflected within the documents.

The Committee accepted the report subject to certain amendments being completed. The report attached contains those amendments.

#### **The Governance Committee accordingly recommends to Council that it:**

1. **Agree to adopt** the draft Contract Procedure Rules set out in **Appendix A** to the attached report with immediate effect and authorise the Monitoring Officer to make any such changes as may be necessary to the Council's Constitution.
2. **Note** the attached Procurement Strategy set out in **Appendix B** to the report.