

Management response form

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R1	<p>We found that the Council has arrangements to secure value for money when commissioning services, but these are not consistently used.</p> <p>To ensure that its approach to commissioning consistently secures value for money, the</p>	<p>The Council has made significant progress to improve, support and provide flexibility to service areas in commissioning and other reviews to secure value for money.</p> <p>This has included improvements to the Council's Procurement and gateway approach; and to the Council's project management toolkit, which is available</p>		Head of People, Policy & Transformation	

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	Council should put arrangements in place to ensure that all service areas use the Council's corporate processes and tools when commissioning services.	to all officers. This is acknowledged in the report. To support this continuous improvement, communications and training promoting the use of the Project Management toolkit to support commissioning services (where it is appropriate to do so) will also be completed.	30 th September 2025		