

The role of procurement and its relationship with finance

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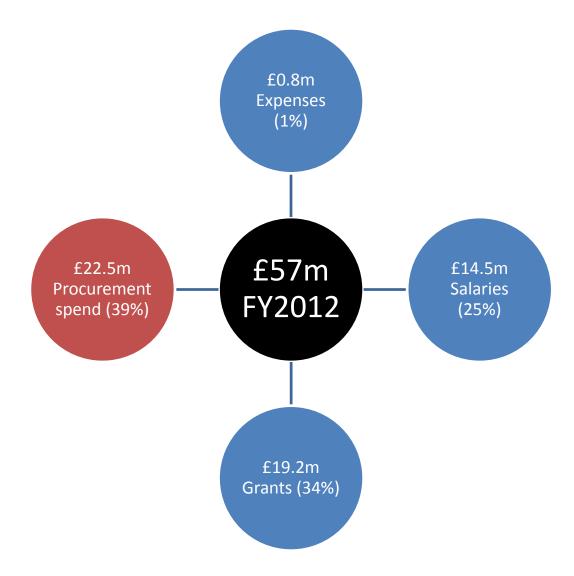


What we're going to cover

- 1. Why bother setting up a managed procurement function?
- 2. What we have done to date (and what have we learnt)?
- 3. The benefits
- 4. Plans for the future
- 5. Question



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Contracting – no central record of contracts, contracts being raised late and inefficiently, lack of awareness re expiry of contracts

Value for money - no evidence that procurement rules being complied with, no procurement expertise

Controls e.g. segregation of duties, conflicts of interest



Step 1

Recruited Head of Procurement





Implemented a procurement system

- Tender process 5 months
- Contract 3 months
- Design and configuration 6 months
- UAT and training 3 months
- Go Live Jan 2013



Implementing a procurement system - Top Tips

Tender process:

- What do you want?
- Involve key users
- Ensure key functionalities work
- References
- Agree T&Cs



Implementing a procurement system - Top Tips

Design and configuration:

- Project manager
- Scrutinise customisations
- Be prepared to change existing processes
- Review who the users will be



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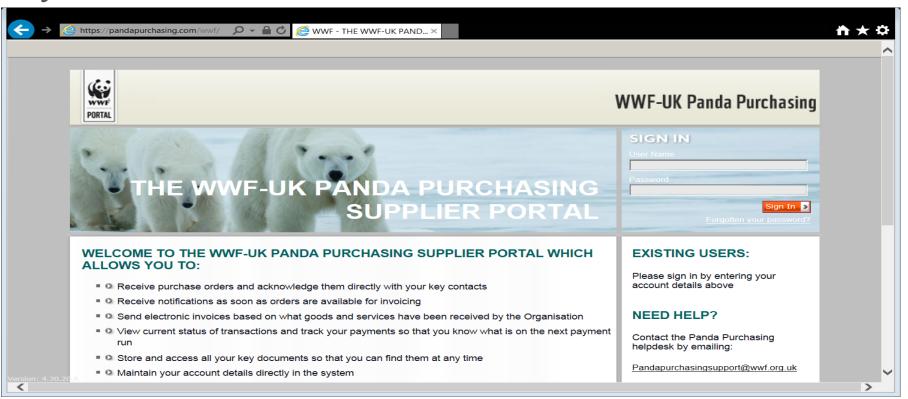
UAT and training:

- Think outside the box
- Engage users in the process
- Communicate, communicate, communicate



Step 2

System Go Live Jan 2013





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Post Go Live issues included:

- Browser compatibility
- Supplier pages
- User perception



Step 3

Recruited Procurement Manager (Sept 2014)





Step 4
Implement KPI and Savings reporting (Mar 2015)

	FY17 Total		FY16 Total		FY15 Total	
	£'000	%	£'000	%	£'000	%
Competitive spend (ie. subject to tender, quotes or market assessment)	6,262	53.2%	10,787	46.1%	9,242	37.2%
Purchase orders <£5,000 - competition not required per existing						
procurement rules	1,080	9.2%	2,358	10.1%	1,711	6.9%
Sole source spend	562	4.8%	1,806	7.7%	1,413	5.7%
	7,904	67.1%	14,951	63.9%	12,366	49.8%
Not subject to competitive process but satisfactorily benchmarked	2,089	17.7%	3,059	13.1%	2,632	10.6%
Non-competitive spend	1,780	15.1%	5,375	23.0%	9,840	39.6%
	11,773	100.0%	23,385	100.0%	24,838	100.00%



Step 5

New approach to procurement planning (Sept 2016)

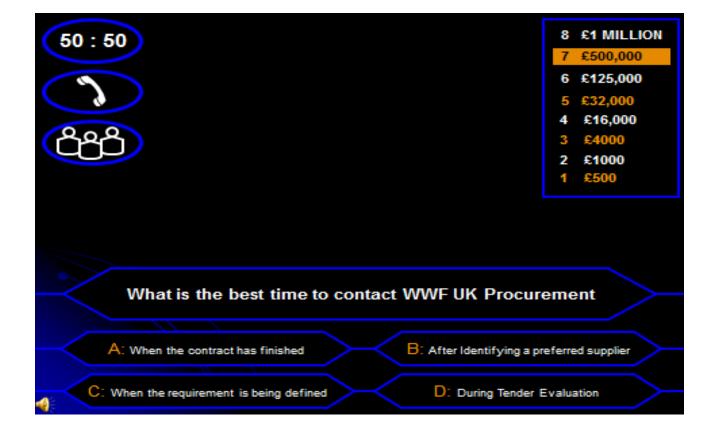




Step 6

New training module (procurement and finance) for staff

(Jan 2017)





3. The benefits

- Secured procurement influence on more than £100m spend
- Delivered savings of £2.5m (gross), >£1.7m (net)
- Reduced red rated spend from 40% to 15%
- 100% POs with contracts (majority standard T&Cs)
- 80% e-invoicing
- Improved contract management



4. Plans for the future

- Reduce our red rated spend to less than 10%
- Improve supplier sourcing and market intelligence
- Further improve negotiating and contract management skills
- Increase the amount of collaborative spend



5. Question

- Are you happy with quality of procurement systems, controls and staff? Eg:
 - Do you know the level of compliance with the procurement policy?
 - Is there a genuine segregation of duties?
 - Are the contractual terms recorded/readily available?
 - Do staff have the requisite training in procurement?
 - Are the procurement and finance functions joined up?



Thanks for listening!

Q&A?

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