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A future for libraries after a period of loss

Across the UK, communities continue to feel the impact of widespread library closures, with 190 libraries shutting their doors in the past five years as councils grapple with financial pressures. For many residents, these buildings were places of sanctuary, connection and crucial digital access.

While closures have caused deep disruption, 2026 marks a turning point. A series of national programmes aims to restore and revitalise community library spaces. The Libraries Improvement Fund will support local authorities to refurbish or transform libraries, with funded projects beginning from April 2026.

In addition, the government has pledged to create a library in every primary school by 2029. Together, these initiatives signal hope: an opportunity not only to rebuild physical spaces, but to restore the vital communities so many people have lost.

At **Procurement Services**, we have a series of frameworks to aid these restoration projects. Visit the frameworks page today to see how we can support the refurbishment of these community libraries.

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Implement a smarter tendering strategy



Andrew Armstrong



Emma Purling

By using the expertise of our Managed Procurement Service Team, you can maximise your tendering strategy and be confident in your procurement. Our team provides a full range of services, including:

- Procurement advisory support.
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- Delivery of any procurement process, whether it is an Open Tender, Competitive Flexible Procedure or Further Competition.
- Expert support and consultation for an organisation running their own procedure.



Jan Rabusic



Lee Daniels

"Lee Daniels and his team were able to support us through an MIS tender exercise and guided us through the new regulations, making it a straightforward process, and ensured we were not challenged through the standstill period by providing the companies with details as to why they were unsuccessful"

NEAT Academy Trust

Get in touch with us

Should you ever need support running any of your procurement processes, our team is here to help. Whether it's a call-off through a Procurement Services framework or a completely separate tender, we've got a highly experienced team covering a wide range of categories.

If you'd like to find out more, feel free to contact Andy Armstrong, Senior Procurement Manager, at Andrew.Armstrong@csltd.org.uk or call **01865 648127**

Explore funding options for your organisation with our **Financial Leasing Solutions framework**

At a time where budget pressures and regulatory requirements are increasing, our Financial Leasing Solutions Y23029 framework provides public sector organisations with access to pre-approved, competitively priced leasing solutions for a wide range of assets.

We can advise on the most suitable funding options and support your organisation in financing capital purchases through innovative solutions.

With strong recognition in the marketplace and access to leading finance providers, we offer manageable, flexible payment terms across multiple Lots, covering different asset categories.

Our frameworks offer a range of benefits, such as:

- Free to access.
- Competitive pricing.
- Quick, compliant procurement via direct award (PCR 2015).
- Safe, protective terms and conditions.
- Full support from our procurement services team.

[Visit the framework](#)

Meet our Head of Leasing - **Laura Whelpdale-Edwards**

"I've been with the company for 21 years and I love helping clients navigate the world of leasing (no mission too tricky!). I enjoy working with funders to deliver innovative, value-driven solutions. It's rewarding to see clients thrive with outcomes that truly make a difference".

Get in contact today | Laura.whelpdale-edwards@csltd.org.uk



Y23029 Financial Leasing Solutions

Framework Lots at a glance

Lot 1 – Catering and Domestic Services Equipment

- Catering equipment
- Vending machines
- Water coolers
- **See more**



Lot 2 – Courier and Logistics Equipment

- Fork lifts
- Pallet jacks
- Containers
- **See more**



Lot 3 – Education Services Equipment

- Audio visual equipment
- Classroom furniture
- Gymnasium equipment
- **See more**



LOT 4 – Estates and Facilities / Ground Maintenance Equipment

- Estates plant and machinery
- Waste disposal
- Tractors/trailers
- **See more**



LOT 5 – Green Technology Equipment

- Solar
- Heat pumps
- Bio-mass
- **See more**



LOT 6 – ICT and Telecommunications Equipment and Software

- Radio
- Photocopiers
- Network architecture
- **See more**



LOT 7 – Laboratory and Pathology Equipment

- Microscopes
- Mass spectrometers
- Tissue processors
- **See more**



LOT 8 – General Medical Equipment

- Nuclear medicine
- MRI scanners
- Surgical robots
- **See more**



LOT 9 – Temporary and Semi-Permanent Buildings

- Portable offices
- Demountable car parks
- Mobile trailers/cabins
- **See more**



LOT 10 – Vehicles

- Lorries
- Vans
- Coaches
- **See more**



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Building smarter transport:

Improving bus stops and passenger experience

An important component of public transport is the bus network, particularly the infrastructure that supports it and the funding required to keep it effective and accessible.

According to GOV.UK, the UK Department for Transport has published bus funding allocations to Local Transport Authorities (LTAs) across England for 2025 to 2026. This includes £670 million in funding to enable LTAs to deliver their Bus Service Improvement Plans. An additional £285 million was provided through the Bus Service Operators Grant to maintain services and support delivery.

This funding aims to enhance bus services and keep fares down across the country, as part of a broader effort to improve bus infrastructure and services. These funds include infrastructure improvements such as bus shelters, real-time information systems, and accessibility upgrades.

How do we support this?

A key part of enhancing public transport is ensuring bus shelters are maintained to the highest standards.



Our **Bus Shelters and Associated Services framework Y22030** make this possible by providing access to a wide range of solutions, including:

- Bus shelters, canopies and walkways.
- Real-time passenger information systems.
- Associated services for installation and maintenance.

With six awarded suppliers across two Lots we offer a reliable route to keep your public transport safe and welcoming for public sector customers.

[Discover more about the framework](#)



Meet the **Public Sector Engagement Team**

Watch two members of our Public Sector Engagement Team introduce themselves and explain the vital role their team plays in supporting your procurement journey with us.

Priya Parmar

MJ Hussain



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Is your organisation protected against ransomware?

Ransomware is one of the more insidious tools cybercriminals are using to compromise the public sector; now more than ever, it's vital to defend your business against attacks.

With our solution, you'll access the technology to proactively detect, react, and respond to threats, to recover with your data and reputation intact. Find out why over 500 public sector organisations decided to protect themselves with Ricoh's unique solution, [click here to learn more.](#)

Ricoh Cybersecurity experts are ready with intelligent solutions aligned to your hybrid working practices.

For a friendly chat and expert guidance, why not speak to our public sector cybersecurity lead via **Procurement Services**.

We're here to help! _____

Ricoh is an awarded supplier on our **Audio Visual Solutions, Managed Services for Business Solutions, Multi-Functional Devices and Digital Solutions and Records Information Management frameworks.**

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Smarter Lighting, Safer Communities:

Explore our new framework

One of the most immediate benefits of intelligent street light installations is its positive impact on urban safety, with studies showing that well-lit areas linked to a **36% reduction** in overall crime rates as reported by the College of Policing. Adaptive and responsive street lighting systems enhance visibility in real-time, helping public areas feel safer and remain occupied after dark.

To support these safety benefits, we've launched our new **Street and External Lighting Solutions framework Y23044**, designed to help organisations implement lighting systems.

This framework facilitates the procurement of a full range of street and external lighting solutions and associated services, including central management systems, consultancy & back-office support, funding application assistance as well as supply and installation for all public sector organisations.

This framework agreement has three awarded suppliers, across three Lots:

- **Lot 1:** Supply and installation of street and external lighting solutions, including LED and incandescent options, such as dark sky lighting, functional lighting, smart lighting and much more.
- **Lot 2:** Supply and installation of street lighting lamp posts, columns and bollards with built in electric vehicle charge points and associated services including LED and incandescent options.
- **Lot 3:** Consultancy and design of street and external lighting solutions and associated services



By leveraging this framework, public sector organisations can accelerate the adoption of smarter lighting solutions that make communities safer and more sustainable.

Explore the full details today and take the next step toward brighter, smarter streets.

[Find out more](#)

Eyes in the Sky

Supporting Faster Emergency Response



As reported by Public Sector Executive, the **Metropolitan Police** has started trialling drones as first responders to support officers attending emergency calls across London.

This initiative aims to enhance public safety by delivering faster, high-definition intelligence, deployed directly from the Met's control room - arriving within just **two minutes**.

The drones can assist in various situations, including searching for missing persons, tracking suspects, capturing evidence at crime scenes, and more.

As quoted by the Public Sector Executive, Laurence Taylor, Assistant Commissioner & National Lead for Drones said:

“We are building a Met that is more precise and efficient than ever before, and this new technology gives us a vital new tool to tackle crime in the capital.”

Not only is it cheaper and quieter, but it's also significantly more environmentally friendly than helicopters. The high-quality footage allows responders to ensure the right resources are deployed efficiently.

Our **Emergency Response and Rescue Equipment framework Y23046** is the perfect route for procuring drones or any emergency equipment needed. Under our seven Lots, we can support equipment and services for working at heights, restricted and confined spaces, water rescue, thermal imaging, and more!

Explore the framework today and connect with our **Public Sector Engagement Team** to start your emergency services procurement journey!

[Visit here](#)



Enhancing Search & Rescue

Read about how the Maritime & Coastguard Agency procured drones from our **Emergency Response and Rescue Equipment framework**.

“ Following an initial trial using drone technology within the Coastguard Rescue Service, the next phase looks to formalise our drone response capability through the creation of dedicated response teams, allowing to us to better evaluate the impact of this technology and understand the opportunities available to enhance Search and Rescue operations around the coastline of the UK. The procurement of these drones and the associated equipment has been a major step in allowing that evaluation process to begin. ”

Max Hawkins, Team Leader, HM Coastguard Operations





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Transforming School Security: **LIVE**

08:00 – 09:00	Arrival	Arrival, registration & breakfast networking
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome	Event overview Procurement Services & The DMS Digital Group
09:10 – 09:30	Safeguarding	Safeguarding, compliance & procurement considerations for schools
9:30 - 10:00	Martyn's Law	What Schools Need to Know & How to Prepare – Terence Hargreaves DMS
10:00 – 10:45	Verkada & DMS	Modern school security solutions & live demonstrations
10:45 – 11:10	Break	Break & Networking
11:20 – 12:00	Keynote:	Leadership, Preparedness & Decision-Making in High-Risk Environments - Maxine Hulme
12:00 – 13:00	Networking	Networking lunch & peer discussions

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Episode 1:
Procurement Act in Practice –
What Buyers Really Think



Tarryn Kerr
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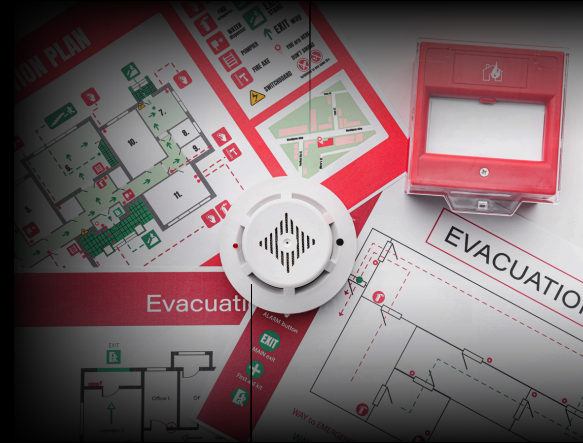


Simon Davis
AD of Procurement,
Procurement Services

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The Importance of an Evacuation Plan

Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan



It is essential for all establishments to have a clear and effective evacuation plan to ensure the safe evacuation of all occupants. Individuals with disabilities or temporary impairments that affect their ability to evacuate independently must have a **PEEP** in place to support a swift and safe exit in the event of a fire.

This is necessary for those who can relate to the following:

- People with visual or hearing impairments
- People with mobility issues
- People experiencing severe PTSD
- Those on the autism spectrum

According to GOV.UK, the residential PEEPs process includes a suite of measures:

- The responsible person (typically the building owner or manager) identifying residents who need Residential **PEEPs**.
- A person-centred fire risk assessment to understand their particular risks and identify how their fire safety and evacuation can be improved.
- An emergency evacuation statement of what the resident should do in the event of a fire.
- Information for the Fire and Rescue Authority to help inform any operational response and in case they need to undertake evacuation.
- An ongoing duty to review the person-centred fire risk assessment / emergency evacuation statement, and the building emergency evacuation plan.

At Procurement Services, we have a **Fire Safety Products & Associated Services framework Y23025** that can provide access to fire risk assessments and fire awareness training. With this support in place, establishments can ensure everyone is safely evacuated in the event of a fire, quickly and with as much ease as possible.

[Learn more here](#)

Empowering the UK Housing sector to deliver connected services

At **Procurement Services**, we deliver compliant, high-value solutions that help housing associations and public bodies strengthen operations, manage risk and maximise budgets. Our solutions span frameworks, category and contract management, digital procurement, leasing, lifecycle management and vehicles, bringing market insight and innovation together to improve supplier performance and accelerate delivery.

Frameworks & Compliant Routes to Market

Housing organisations can access our pre-tendered, fully compliant frameworks across 12 categories (from construction and property management to technology), aligned to PCR 2015 or Procurement Act 2023. These routes speed up delivery, support value and social outcomes. As one customer attested:

“Procurement Services frameworks have improved our efficiency, reduced costs and ensured compliance.” - Jonathan Nicklin, Senior Procurement & Contracts Business Partner, Maritime & Coastguard Agency.

Leasing & Financial Flexibility

Our specialist advisors help housing providers decide when to buy versus lease, structure fair, manageable payment plans, and run compliant mini-competitions which supporting capital planning, IFRS 16 considerations and long-term asset decisions.

Lifecycle Contract & Supplier Management

Procurement Services Lifecycle transforms contract management into a proactive driver of savings and operational efficiency. With tools like our Lifecycle Index and the OPTIMiSe platform, organisations gain visibility of renewals, maintenance, replacement costs and supplier performance which adds to safeguarding value over time. **“OPTIMiSe gives us full visibility, the biggest benefit is more effective supplier management. It drives better outcomes across the board.” – James Lewis, Associate Director of Engineering & Estates, Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust.**

Digital Procurement & MFD Solutions

Our market-leading multifunctional device and digital solutions framework enables safer, faster technology spend. Procurement Services also supports wider digital transformation, supplier partnering, project management, training and installation, this freeing housing teams to modernise with confidence.

Vehicles & Fleet Solutions

From community transport to estates vans and EVs, we design compliant, tailored fleet solutions with flexible lease/purchase options, maintenance support and telematics to improve efficiency. **“Managing our fleet has become significantly more streamlined and stress-free, the team has gone above and beyond, safeguarding us from unexpected costs.” - Lisa Tobin, Business Manager, Commercial Operations at KCC Highways.**

We can equip housing providers with an integrated, scalable toolkit, we can deliver safer, better value homes and services while meeting compliance, sustainability and budget goals.

[Read more on this page](#)



Youth Matters: Government Launches 10-Year Plan to Rebuild Real-Life Connections

The UK Government has announced a 10-year plan to tackle rising youth isolation and rebuild support for young people. The new National Youth Strategy, **Youth Matters**, is backed by over £500 million and aims to provide young people with “**somewhere to go, something meaningful to do, and someone who cares about their wellbeing**” as reported by GOV.UK.

With input from more than 14,000 young people, the strategy responds to sharp declines in youth services, including a **73% drop** in local spending and the closure of over 1000 youth centres since 2010. The plan includes building or refurbishing up to 250 youth centres, equipping 2500 organisations, and creating 50 Young Futures Hubs by 2029 to support wellbeing and career development.

The government aims to give 500,000 more young people access to a trusted adult and help shift young people away from online isolation toward real-life connection.

At Procurement Services, our **Playground, Fitness and Sports Equipment and Leisure Facilities framework** can help enhance and complete these youth centres and Young Futures Hubs.

Get in touch today to start the journey and supply these organisations with the best equipment by excellent suppliers.

[View the framework here](#)



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IFRS[®] 16

Post-Implementation Review

What public sector organisations need to know

When **IFRS 16** was introduced, it changed the way leases are reported, bringing most leases onto the balance sheet. While this improved transparency, it also created new challenges for public sector organisations – from understanding lease terms to managing the additional accounting workload.

Recently, the **European Financial Reporting Advisory Group (EFRAG)** published its post-implementation review of IFRS 16. The review confirms that the standard is generally performing well, but highlights several areas where organisations struggle.

Key challenges identified by EFRAG:

- Scope and classification – uncertainty about whether some contracts, such as software licences or cloud services, should be treated as leases under IFRS 16.
- Judgement and complexity – distinguishing between a lease and an in-substance purchase remains difficult in practice.
- Disclosure and presentation – organisations need clearer guidance on how to report lease-related cash flows and financial information.
- Interaction with other standards – applying IFRS 16 consistently alongside IFRS 9 and IFRS 15, particularly for lease modifications and sale-and-leaseback transactions, continues to cause confusion.

Our team can help to:

- Develop robust business cases that align with both revenue and capital budgets.
- Navigate accounting requirements without compromising operational goals.
- Maximise value for money through compliant and sustainable lease arrangements.
- Stay in control of your leasing portfolio across its full lifecycle.

With expert guidance, leasing remains not only a suitable option, but essential to achieving long-term value.



Read more in our blog



Contact us at psleasing@csltd.org.uk

Your Complete Cleaning Solution

Public and office buildings are prime environments for the spread of germs and bacteria, given the constant flow of employees, visitors, and contractors using shared spaces and equipment throughout the day. From meeting rooms and break areas to restrooms and reception zones, these high-traffic areas often receive only surface-level cleaning during daily maintenance routines.

To ensure a truly hygienic and safe environment, it is essential that all areas undergo regular deep cleaning to a professional standard.

According to **GOV.UK**, infections can spread through direct contact with an infected area or contaminated surfaces, which is the most common route of cross infection. Preventative measures, such as cleaning and managing the environment safely, is vital.

Our **Cleaning Services framework Y23005** offers all establishments comprehensive cleaning services, including:

- Essential cleaning tasks such as kitchen and bathroom cleaning
- Washroom cleaning including refilling consumables
- Litter picking and emptying bins
- Ad hoc/ one-off deep cleans
- And much more!

Our **awarded suppliers** on this framework can deliver a clean, safe and orderly environment for everyone.

[Learn more here](#)



Multi-Functional Devices and Digital Solutions **New Case Study**

**catch
22**

Catch22 has been a customer with Procurement Services Digital for over 20 years; we spoke with them to gain a deeper insight into their experience with the team and our DfE approved framework.

As a registered charity, Catch22 is funded by the public sector and local authorities to run their services. One challenge they face is that funding may be withdrawn, requiring the organisation to return their MFDs.



This case study details how our account specialist, Cameron, has helped Catch22 in their MFD procurement process, finding the best prices via their awarded supplier, Ricoh.

Explore the benefits of using our DfE approved framework and Digital Solutions, and read first hand how Procurement Services Digital can help your organisation.

[Read the full Case Study](#)



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Every sector faces unique pressures. Our flexible approach to contract management helps you achieve compliance, efficiency, and measurable results. Here are two scenarios showing how we adapt to different sectors:

Supporting Universities Through Financial Pressure

Challenge:

Universities are under increasing financial strain, with rising costs and tighter budgets impacting teaching and research.

Our Solution:

Universities UK (UUK) has highlighted the need for sector-wide efficiency, and at Procurement Services, we can turn these challenges into opportunities through smarter procurement in the following seven ways:

1. Our team create a supportive regulatory environment by ensuring compliance and benchmark spend through **OPTIMiSe**.
2. We enable shared services and infrastructure by **managing procurement and contracts** for consistent delivery and savings.
3. Our experts harness sector buying power using our **Lifecycle Index** to help maximise contract value and reduce risk.
4. We drive digital transformation by streamlining processes and providing full visibility with **OPTIMiSe**.
5. Our team promote efficiency and benchmarking by comparing costs and performance across the sector.
6. We strengthen leadership and governance by freeing leadership time through **managed procurement and compliance**.
7. Our experts help to build a collaborative structure by designing strategies with shared **KPIs and strong governance frameworks**.

Read the full blog



Helping Housing Teams Achieve More

Challenge:

Housing procurement teams are operating in a challenging environment. According to Procurement Magazine, with regulations evolving rapidly and resources stretched thin, many teams are struggling to keep up.

Our Solution:

With decades of experience supporting public sector procurement, here are the eight ways we help housing procurement teams succeed:

1. Whole-of-market approach to sourcing.
2. All suppliers. All sourcing routes. Fully explored.
3. Guidance on the right route to take - e.g. **framework vs open process**.
4. We guide you to the most effective and compliant route.
5. A library of category specific contract specifications.
6. The ability to speak the language of your stakeholders and gain internal buy-in.
7. Savings that go above and beyond typical direct award processes.
8. We build in **KPIs** that drive performance, not just reporting.

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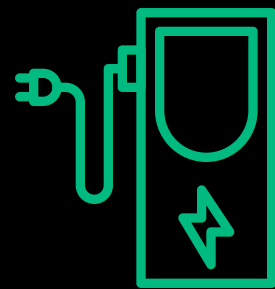


Did you know?

42% of procurement professionals feel undertrained on new regulations. Get in touch with us today at lifecycle@csltd.org.uk to see how we can help.

Plugging in progress:

Government plans to improve EV charging accessibility



Electric vehicle owners across the UK will soon find it easier and cheaper to charge at home, thanks to new government plans announced on 29 October 2025, aimed at making EV charging fairer for renters and those without private driveways.

Key proposals include mandating charge points in new covered car parks and removing planning permission for discreet cross-pavement charging gullies. These measures aim to ensure fair public charging costs, protecting tenants from being overcharged by landlords, and improve connection quality and speed for public charging infrastructure.

Building on this momentum, our **Electric Vehicle Infrastructure and Associated Solutions framework Y23049** supports public sector organisations with a full range of solutions. This includes auditing of existing equipment, providing expert advice and solutions as well as supply and installation, for public sector customers.

[Find out more here](#)

Introducing our new Budget-Friendly Transport Solution!



At Procurement Services, our **Vehicles Team** understand the financial pressures and challenges facing the public sector today, especially schools and multi-academy trusts.

Whilst costs are rising, funding isn't quite matching up to inflation rates, so finding cost-effective procurement solutions is more important than ever.

We created our **Used Minibus Solution** to provide your educational organisation with the vehicles you need to fit your budget, without compromising on quality.

All vehicles are RAC approved, checked and wheelchair-accessible for inclusion and convenience.

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Breaking Barriers: Inclusive Physical Activity for All Children

A recent Local Government Association (LGA) report urges the Government to prioritise care-experienced children in its upcoming physical activity strategy. It calls for better infrastructure, inclusive environments, and coordinated efforts to remove barriers that prevent children from engaging in regular physical activity.

“ Sadly care-experienced children and young people are often a hidden group that is overlooked. This is why we are urging the Government to ensure care-experienced children and young people are a part of its forthcoming physical activity strategy, so we can better support their needs to help them develop and flourish in life.

— Chair of the LGA's Culture, Tourism and Sport Committee, Cllr Julie Jones-Evans ”

This aligns closely with the objectives of our **Playground, Fitness, Sports Equipment, and Leisure Facilities framework Y23064**. The framework provides public sector organisations with a compliant, efficient route to procure high-quality equipment and services that promote physical wellbeing.

It covers a wide range of solutions, from playground design and installation to outdoor gym equipment, sports surfaces, and waterplay features. Importantly, it incorporates SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) provisions and inclusive design principles, ensuring all children can access engaging, accessible environments.

With a strong emphasis on social value, the framework encourages suppliers to deliver community-focused outcomes and long-term impact.

Together, we can create inclusive spaces that empower every child to thrive.

[Explore the framework](#)



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Smarter Print Solutions for Education

DfE Approved & Built for Value

Discover a better way to manage your print strategy with our DfE approved Multi-Functional Devices and Digital Solutions framework, designed specifically for education and public sector organisations. Trusted by schools across the UK, our framework delivers flexibility, transparency, and long-term value - without the surprises.

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You can book a free Teams consultation with a member of our team and find out how our framework can support your goals.

You can also visit our website to explore user guides, our frameworks catalogue, and other digital solutions that support your wider IT goals.

Access our Digital
Solutions online

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No annual price increases, meaning you're able to budget with confidence

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Free staples, where applicable

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Network, toner & maintenance included, no hidden costs

Access to market leading suppliers

Dedicated account support, from quote to contract and beyond



Compliant, Safe & Best Value for Money

We Pride Ourselves On:

- 1 Compliance:** We support schools in navigating the complex landscape of procurement regulations, ensuring that every purchase is fully compliant with statutory and legal requirements. By following established frameworks and aligning with DfE standards as well as local authority policies, schools can be confident that their procurement decisions are both lawful and ethical.
- 2 Safe Pre-Agreed Terms & Conditions:** Our service provides schools with the security of pre-agreed terms and conditions that have been carefully vetted to safeguard their interests. This approach eliminates the need for lengthy negotiations with suppliers, saving valuable time and reducing administrative burdens.
- 3 Benchmarking Service:** Through our benchmarking service, schools gain clear evidence of value for money by comparing supplier offers against market standards. This ensures transparency between schools and suppliers, fostering trust and fairness in every transaction.
- 4 Efficiency & Cost Savings:** We simplify procurement by streamlining processes and offering easy-to-use frameworks that reduce complexity and administrative workload. By combining cost savings with operational simplicity, we help schools achieve more with less, without compromising on quality or compliance.

Dedicated Support from Start to Finish:

You'll have a dedicated account manager throughout the entire process, from initial consultation to contract completion and renewals. We're here to help you find the right solution and manage your contract every step of the way.

Our team handles all supplier interactions on your behalf, including complaints and queries, saving you valuable time and resources.

With us, you can focus on your priorities in the school whilst we ensure everything runs smoothly with your MFD contracts.

Contact the team today!

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Our new IT hardware benchmarking service helps you:

- Benchmark against trade-level pricing to ensure suppliers are offering fair margins
- Negotiate the best possible deal
- Identify overcharging and potential savings
- Make confident, data-backed procurement decisions



Get your free benchmarking review today!

Find out more

Expanding our offerings for the public sector

Asset Management

We will soon be launching a new **asset management solution** for the public sector and would value your insight to ensure it meets real operational needs.

Do you have a few minutes to complete a short survey?

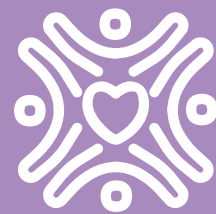
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Your feedback will help us understand current challenges, prioritise the right features, and deliver a solution that genuinely supports you.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about how you can access our asset management solution, please contact catherine.collins@csltd.org.uk





Delivering On Social Value

At Procurement Services, we are proudly committed to delivering social value, through meaningful purchasing decisions, volunteering days and charitable initiatives! Take a look at some ways we have delivered on our values throughout the past three months...

We raised **£110** for **BREAST CANCER NOW** The research & care charity

During October last year, teams got together for Breast Cancer Now's "Wear it Pink" event to raise money for the charity, including wearing pink and pink-themed activities!



Gift donations to the **Oliver Fisher Unit!**



At our most recent collaboration day, teams across Procurement Services provided donations for the unit and had "Purple Days" in support of Prematurity Awareness Month.



We raised **£105** for **Save the Children!**



Teams got into the holiday spirit by wearing their festive jumpers and donating towards Save the Children, who support vulnerable children and families in over 100 countries.



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Framework Highlights

Bus Shelters, Real Time Passenger Information (RTPI) & Associated Services Y22030

1st February 2023 – 31st January 2027

This framework provides a compliant and cost-effective route to procure bus shelters, RTPI systems, and associated services for the public sector. It includes two Lots:

- Bus Shelters and Associated Services
- Real Time Passenger Information Systems and Associated Services

Education Management Systems Y25012

1st July 2025 – 30th June 2029

This framework offers a compliant and efficient route to procure Education Management Systems (EMS) for schools and multi-group establishments. It covers solutions for data management, reporting, and communication, including applications for attendance, safeguarding, HR and payroll, finance, parental engagement, and SEN. Associated services include installation, integration, training, and consultancy.

Integrated Community Care Equipment & Associated Services Y24008

18th November 2024 – 17th December 2028

This framework provides a fully compliant, cost-effective route to procure community care equipment and associated services for the public sector. It includes three Lots:

- Integrated Community Care Equipment and Associated Services
- Technology Enabled Care Products and Services
- Wheelchairs, Motorised Mobility Products and Services

IT Hardware, ITAD & Associated Services Y26005

14th November 2025 – 13th November 2029

This framework provides a fully compliant, cost-effective, and high-quality route to procure IT hardware, IT asset disposition (ITAD), and associated services for the public sector. It includes four Lots:

- New IT Hardware
- Remanufactured and Refurbished IT Hardware
- IT Asset Disposition Services
- One-Stop Shop

Software Products and Associated Services Y23065

1st March 2024 – 29th February 2028

This framework offers a compliant and efficient route to procure a wide range of software solutions and associated services for cloud-based, on-premise, and hybrid environments. It covers application and system software categories such as CRM, ERP, HR systems, security software, and virtualisation, along with services like installation, integration, and end-user support.

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