



Essex County
Fire & Rescue Service

Procurement Dashboard

June 2023



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Executive Summary

- The clock is ticking down to 20 July when the UK Parliament's summer recess begins to see whether or not the Procurement Bill gets Royal Assent. The Bill went through the report and third hearing in the Commons with a few amendments and is now with the House of Lords for further consideration. Next stage is for both houses to agree final amendments, which is not expected to result in any major confrontation. The scheduled go live date is October 2024.

The Cabinet Office have also released the first of two public consultations on the regulations that will be enacted under the Bill when it becomes law. The first one focusses on areas of the Bill that would "require lists, calculations or further definitions", including scope of "light touch regime" contracts and reservable light touch services, vertical and horizontal activities calculations (relevant to the replacement of the Teckal and Hamburg exemptions). The deadline for this consultation is 28 July. The second one will address transparency obligations, including information to be included in the new notices that will need to be published.

- Procurement Alliance for Essex group meeting hosted at KP to discuss contract management. The purpose of the meeting was to share learning, processes and look at collaborative training opportunities.
- The new Category Manager for Property and FM joined the Property away day alongside the Procurement Manager.
- There were no STA's in June.
- Collaborative PPE contract in discussions with the framework owner.
- Savings data for the first quarter of FY22/23 is presented in Appendix A.
- Collaboration data will be presented in next months dashboard following review with Jon Wilson and Greg Myddelton.
- Work ongoing to review transparency requirements.



Property / FM Category Headlines

Work progressing on the following projects:

- **PPM Electrical** – estimated costs £670k – 3 year contract with a 2 year extension option. Evaluation complete, Decision Sheet requires approval to commence to contract award.
- **Cleaning** - NFCC collaborative tender with 3 other Fire and Rescue Services – evaluation complete, Decision Sheet submitted for approval for contract award.
- **Asbestos** – approx. spend £25k for the initial term, 3 year contract with 2 x 12 month extensions available, joint procurement run by 7 Forces – tender cancelled by & Forces and awaiting new timetable for the re-tender exercise to begin.
- **BA Chambers** (Harlow and Saffron Walden) – estimated cost £475,000 to £550,000 – tender went live under the Essex Construction Framework, the tender closes on the 14th July.
- **Orsett Fire Station Fire Risk Assessment & Whole Time Fire Station Refurbishment** – expected cost £600k – tender closed and evaluation of responses underway. Decision sheet will be submitted due to the value for approval to proceed to contract award.
- **External Redecoration and Drill Tower Repairs** – various locations – estimated cost £150,000, re-tender once again attracted zero replies, reassessing procurement options.



ICT Category Headlines

Work progressing on the following projects:

- **Financial Software replacement** – 4 year contract (with extension options up to 10 years) awarded at cost of £550k. Contract awarded via London Procurement Partnership IM&T framework Lot 4.2 of finance software.
- **Fire station Network resilience data sims** – 2 year contract term of £10k per year, two contracts awarded as a direct award call off under CCS RM6261 Lot 1.
- **Extension of 8X8 telephony** – Extension of our telephony system used via Teams for year 3 of 4 agreed £70k.
- **Award for Planner backup BaaS** – Awarded contract for one year for resilience specific Backup as a Service for Microsoft Planner. Savings of £45k documented.
- **Email Delivery Platform** – 3 year contract term at £17,000 for the replacement and implementation of the current existing solution to assist the communications team. This was sourced and now awarded via G-Cloud 13. Implementation to begin early July.
- **Expansion of Freshworks ITSM** – Additional demand for more work licenses from the IT Service Management tool (Freshworks) with integration of HR. Contract variation complete for an additional £13,800 for the extra licenses.



Corporate Services and Operations Category Headlines

Work progressing on the following projects:

- **New Fleet Appliances** - budget £4m over 2 years – awarded, signed and prebuild meeting scheduled for early July.
- **Treadmills** - budgeted at £181k for 6 years – awarded, signed and new installs and exchanges underway.
- **Workwear** – tender preparation nearly finalised, some delay with timing due to Laundry service developments and timelines adjusted for evaluations for operational colleagues.
- **Laundry services** – for contaminated workwear. This trial will generate a future STA, final quotation and contract draft underway to ensure coverage for all stations for all contaminated workwear following an incident.
- **Heavy plant and operator provision** – tender closed and one response received, a decision sheet will be submitted for approval to proceed to tender award.
- **Public Perception Survey** – Tender underway. Due to close 7th August.
- **Tyres** – working with Fleet on the procurement of tyres under the CCS framework establishing a waste disposal agreement with supplier to support carbon reduction footprint.
- **Degreasing system** – Request for quote underway – for safe solvents to clean parts at workshops. Low value but H&S requirements.



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SUMMARY SUPPLIER SPEND

Based on Supplier Invoicing

£1.6M

Month Supplier Spend

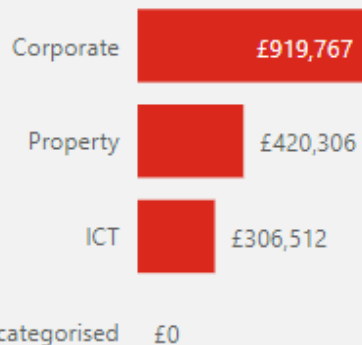
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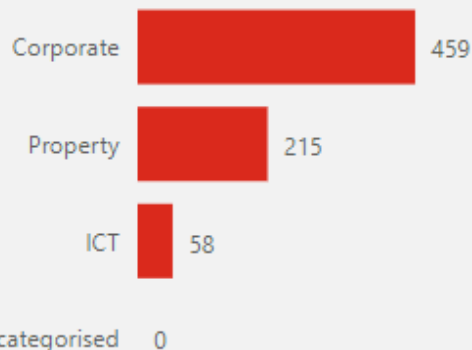
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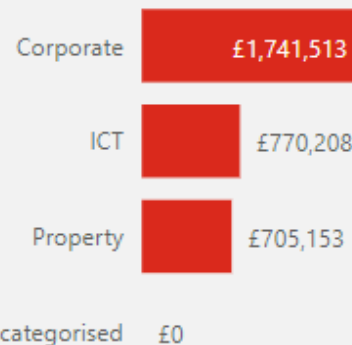
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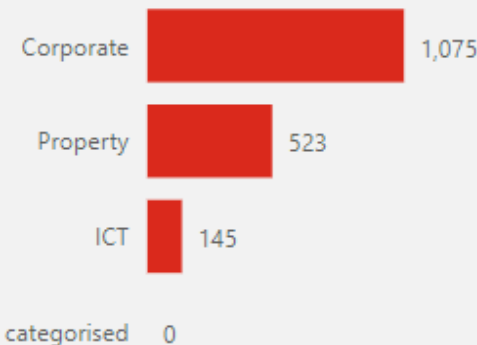
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YTD Total by Category

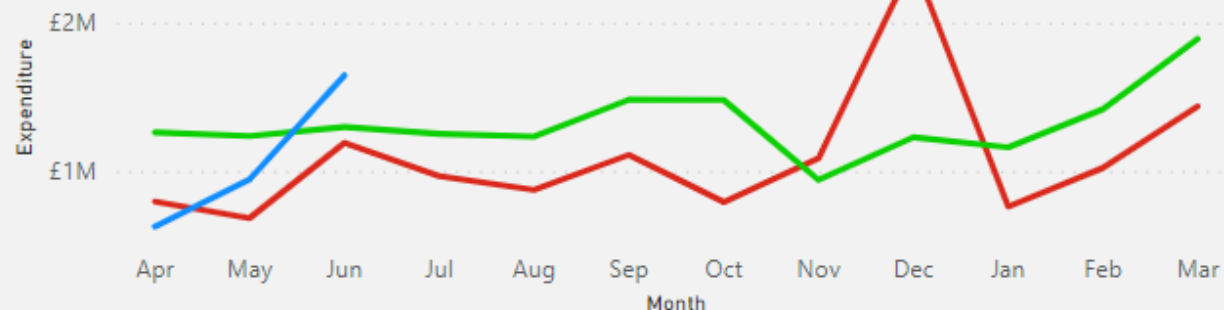


YTD Invoices by Category



Expenditure by Month and Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year ● 21-22 ● 22-23 ● 23-24





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CORPORATE & OPS

£920K

Month Total

459

Invoices in Month

£1.7M

YTD Total

1,075

Invoices YTD

MONTH

YEAR TO DATE

Top 10 Suppliers (Month)

Volvo Car Uk Limited	£330,946
Bristol Uniforms Ltd Re Bris...	£117,143
Pulse Fitness Limited	£65,978
Certas Energy Uk Ltd	£42,480
Fire Ladders Ltd	£21,750
Waddington Brown Limited	£21,039
Lex Autolease Ltd	£20,269
Cipher Medical Consultanc...	£19,100
People Asset Management ...	£17,675
Hopp Rider Training	£16,200

Top 10 Nominals (Month)

Fixed Assets Under Constr...	£330,946
Managed Personal Protecti...	£116,282
Fixed Assets Under Constr...	£65,978
Petrol and Diesel	£51,087
Operational Equip-Initial P...	£45,337
Stocks & WIP (Purchasing ...	£41,732
Occupational Health	£34,159
Externally provided operati...	£33,131
Community Safety	£32,316
Casual and Temporary Staff	£20,476

Top 10 Suppliers (YTD)

Volvo Car Uk Limited	£330,946
Bristol Uniforms Ltd Re Bris...	£176,371
Cmt Flexibles Limited	£132,548
Certas Energy Uk Ltd	£123,864
Pulse Fitness Limited	£65,978
People Asset Management ...	£35,350
Hunter Apparel Solutions Ltd	£35,247
Lex Autolease Ltd	£34,364
Waddington Brown Limited	£29,869
Allstar Business Solutions Ltd	£25,821

Top 10 Nominals (YTD)

Fixed Assets Under Constr...	£347,317
Fixed Assets Under Constr...	£205,028
Managed Personal Protecti...	£177,504
Petrol and Diesel	£149,423
Stocks & WIP (Purchasing ...	£108,228
Community Safety	£90,211
Occupational Health	£70,022
Externally provided operati...	£63,701
Consultancy Fees	£56,742
Operational Equip-Initial P...	£51,891

Points to note for June:

- Volvo Car UK Limited – new Volvo Hybrid fleet cars for officers.
- Pulse Fitness Limited – New treadmills for all the stations and removal of existing ones that are being replaced.
- Fire Ladders Ltd – replacement ladders for appliances.
- Hopp Rider Training – advanced firebikes training course – for training motorbike riders in Essex.



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ICT

£307K

Month Total

58

Invoices in Month

£770.2K

YTD Total

145

Invoices YTD

MONTH

YEAR TO DATE

Top 10 Suppliers (Month)

Dell Corporation Ltd	£165,832
Support Warehouse Limited	£20,861
Remsdaq Ltd	£19,841
Airwave Solutions Ltd	£16,515
Frequentis	£15,937
Insight Direct (Uk) Ltd	£10,273
Working Time Solutions Li...	£9,500
Cellnex Uk Ltd	£6,674
8X8 Uk Limited	£5,913
Forfront Limited	£5,870

Top 10 Nominals (Month)

Fixed Assets Under Constru...	£167,070
IT Maintenance and Contra...	£93,370
IT Communications	£15,641
IT Consumables	£11,582
Consultancy Fees	£9,500
Media Expenses	£5,870
Recruitment	£2,852
Furniture and Fittings	£289
Stocks & WIP (Purchasing ...	£137
Postage Direct Mailing & C...	£123

Top 10 Suppliers (YTD)

Dell Corporation Ltd	£165,832
Airbus Defence & Space	£107,678
Civica Uk Ltd	£63,895
Remsdaq Ltd	£55,325
Virgin Media Business Limit...	£49,109
Metacompliance Limited	£31,160
3Tc Software	£30,392
Data Pro It Limited	£27,167
Insight Direct (Uk) Ltd	£24,050
Support Warehouse Limited	£20,861

Top 10 Nominals (YTD)

IT Maintenance and Contra...	£402,405
Fixed Assets Under Constru...	£189,243
IT Communications	£78,537
Essex Digital Partnership	£31,160
IT Consumables	£30,671
Subscriptions - Corporate	£12,192
Consultancy Fees	£9,500
Media Expenses	£5,870
Departmental training (L&D)	£4,900
Recruitment	£2,852

Points to note for June:

- Dell Corporation Ltd– Small form factor PC's for Fire Stations.
- Support Warehouse Limited – Additional Nimble products installed at Kelvedon Park
- Airwave Solutions Ltd – SAN H Radios and Ground Based Network extension for firefighters
- Insight Direct UK Ltd – Azure overage costs from April Closure
- Frequentis – Contract extension of 3rd line support for ICCS 2.9



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PROPERTY

£420K

Month Total

215

Invoices in Month

£705.2K

YTD Total

523

Invoices YTD

MONTH

YEAR TO DATE

Top 10 Suppliers (Month)

Bakers Of Danbury Contrac...	£151,610
Pick Everard	£74,400
Monthind Clean Llp	£34,996
Dunninghams Ltd	£22,558
Pinnacle Housing	£20,211
Balm & Davies Ltd	£18,673
C S Electrical Essex Ltd	£11,982
Hs Door Systems Ltd	£11,115
Gardhams Property Services	£10,826
Mansard Roofing Ltd	£7,496

Top 10 Nominals (Month)

Asset Improvements	£157,868
Consultancy Fees	£78,398
Building Maintenance	£64,011
Building Cleaning	£59,022
Int Decs/Alts & Improveme...	£29,255
Furniture and Fittings	£10,426
Grounds Maintenance	£8,423
Planned Works	£7,927
Asset Protection	£2,918
Canteen Equipment	£1,187

Top 10 Suppliers (YTD)

Bakers Of Danbury Contrac...	£168,145
Pick Everard	£106,828
Monthind Clean Llp	£73,467
Balm & Davies Ltd	£43,043
Munro Building Services Ltd	£35,891
Pinnacle Housing	£31,409
Stace Llp	£31,270
Dunninghams Ltd	£22,558
C S Electrical Essex Ltd	£21,875
Mark Walker (Grounds Mai...	£21,215

Top 10 Nominals (YTD)

Asset Improvements	£201,285
Consultancy Fees	£120,752
Building Maintenance	£112,571
Building Cleaning	£107,484
Planned Works	£57,037
Int Decs/Alts & Improveme...	£51,030
Grounds Maintenance	£23,130
Furniture and Fittings	£14,571
Water Services	£4,757
Operational training item r...	£3,983

Points to note for June:

- Bakers of Danbury – BA Chambers
- Pick Everard – RIBA Stage 2 costs for new live fire training centre
- Dunninghams – container repairs at Wethersfield Training Centre



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CONTRACT SUMMARY

Expiration Period	Contract Value	Number Expiring
Expired	£85,120	1
6 Months	£12,398,584	65
12 Months	£15,542,112	114
24 Months	£21,685,948	134

EXPIRED CONTRACTS

Top 10 Most Recently Expired Contracts

Contract Title	Contract Value
MFC Sheeting for Hot Fire Training	85,120.00

EXPIRING WITHIN 6 MONTHS

Top 10 contracts expiring in the next 6 months by Total Contract Value

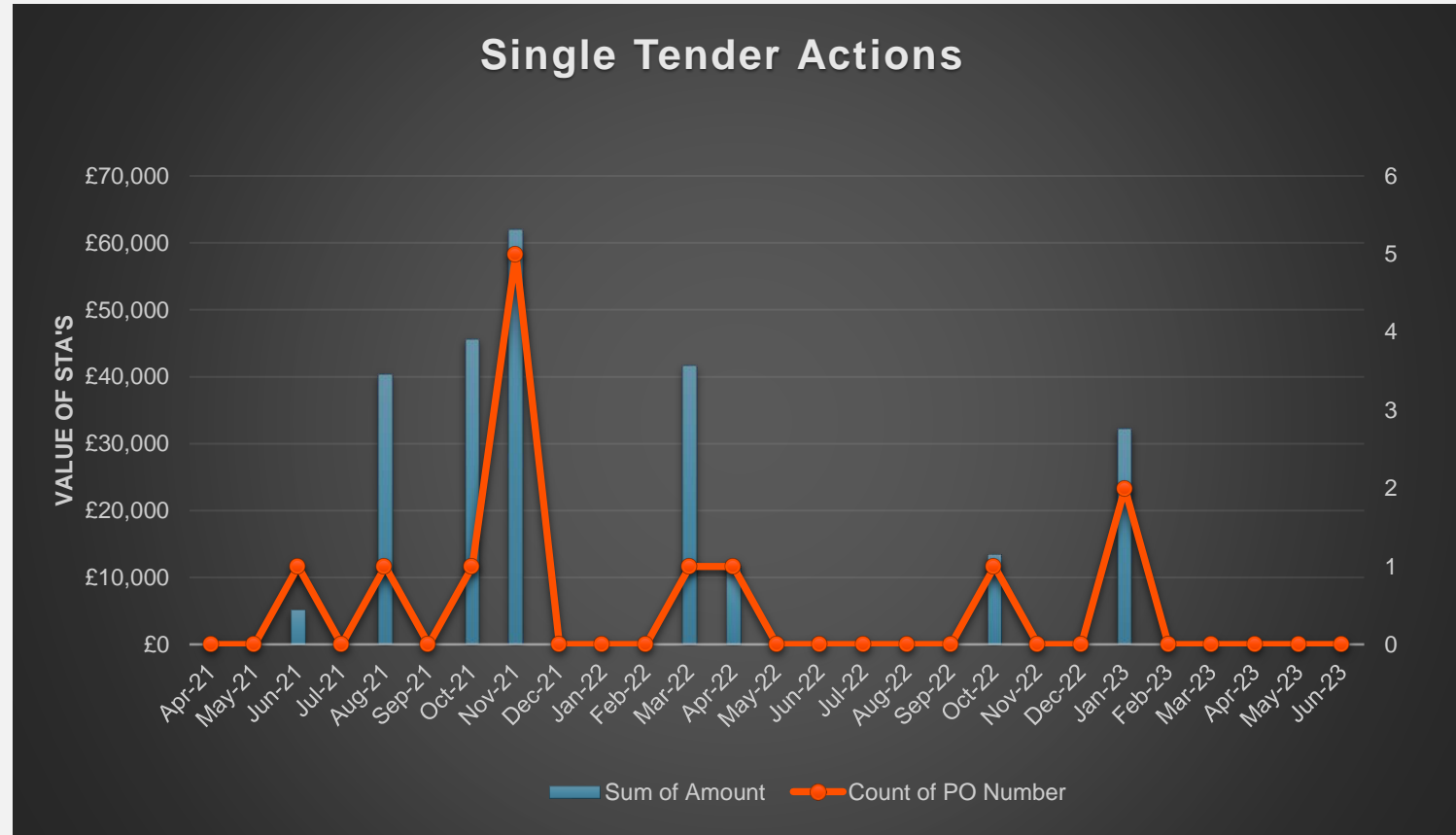
Contract Title	Service Area/Dept	Status	Contract Value
Monthly Wan Services	ICT	To end - Termination noted	2,080,000.00
Emergency Mobilisation & Communications Lot 1	ICT	To end - Termination noted	1,770,200.00
Daily and periodic cleaning	Property Services	To finish at end of term	1,572,363.75
Insurance	Finance	to be renewed	633,526.75
Emergency Mobilisation & Communications Lot 2	ICT	To end - Termination noted	627,186.00
Remsdaq Annual Support	ICT	To end - Termination noted	587,658.25
Daily and periodic cleaning	Property Services	To finish at end of term	524,297.13
E-Learning licensing	ICT	To be extended	394,783.00
Logistics and Office moves	Property Services	Under review	294,696.00
Servicing of Intruder alarms/access control/CCTV/fire alarms	Property Services	Under review	291,619.50

As per update from May dashboard: Contract for MFC sheeting has run past its expiry date, this is due to the workload within the team and other tenders that have had to take priority and therefore delayed this tender being sent out. The tender will be issued in July.



STA Status

There was STA's in June 2023.





Procurement Savings for Q1 FY23/24

Procurement Category	ECFRS Savings Classification	Value of Savings	Savings Description
	Cashable Savings – Capital TOTAL	£155,779.20	
	Cashable Savings – Revenue Budget TOTAL	£63,739.18	
	Cost Avoidance TOTAL	£113,882.65	
	TOTAL SAVINGS FY23/24 APRIL-JUNE	£333,401.03	