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11:00-11:30

Delivering Effective Social Value

(Chair) Darren Knowd, Chief Executive, Darren Knowd Ltd

Laura Savage, Director of Partner and Social Value Service, People Plus

Dan Ebanks, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Social Value Exchange

Lorraine Cox, Chair, National Social Value Task Force

Isabelle Parasram OBE, Chief Executive Officer, The Institute for Social Value

12:00-12:30

What Does AI mean for the Future of Public Procurement?

(Chair) Gavin Freeguard, Freelance Consultant

Philip Orumwense, Commercial Director and Chief Technology Procurement Officer, Crown Commercial Service

Andrew de Whalley, Senior Manager, Deloitte

Amardeep Gill, Partner, Trowers & Hamlin LLP

13:00-13:30

How Can Suppliers Maximise the Benefit of New Flexibility in the Procurement Act?

(Chair) Martin Traynor OBE, Non Executive Chair, Institute of Hospitality

Deborah Wilkie, Director - Civil Cartel Enforcement, Competition and Markets Authority

Shirley Cooper OBE, Small Business Crown Representative, Cabinet Office

Lorraine Cox, Chair, National Social Value Task Force

Shamayne Harris, Head of Procurement, Pagabo

14:00-14:30

Procurement as a Force To Drive Innovation in Organisational Strategy

(Chair) Dhurvinder Johal, Market Partner, Capita Procurement Solutions

Kate Greenbank, Deputy Director - Complex Transactions Team, Cabinet Office

Shirley Cooper OBE, Small Business Crown Representative, Cabinet Office

Kavita Cooper, Chief Executive Officer, Novo-K Procurement Solutions

15:00-15:30

What New Skills Will Public Sector Buyers Need to Thrive in the Future?

(Chair) Emma O'Dell, Skills and Capability Planning Director, BPP Education Group

Carl Thomas, Procurement Reform Stakeholder & Policy Lead, Welsh Government

Ian Schollar, Head of CIPS Study Centre, CIPS

Carolyn Bayley, Head of Bid Management, BPP Education Group



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10:10 - 10:30

Ministerial Address

Georgia Gould MP, Parliamentary Secretary for the Cabinet Office

10:30 - 11:00

Procurement Act 2023 - Aspirations Post Commencement

Lindsay Maguire, Deputy Director for Procurement Reform, Cabinet Office

11:00 - 11:30

Central Digital Platform - What's Happened So Far and What's Next?

Euan Slack, Deputy Director, Digital Services, Government Commercial Function

11:30 - 12:00

How Data Supports Public Sector Supply Chain Resilience and the Requirements of the Procurement Act

Martin Skeens, SME/Third Party Risk & Compliance, Dun & Bradstreet

Duncan Hale, Senior Analytics Consultant, Dun & Bradstreet

12:00 - 12:30

National Procurement Policy Statement: What's Changed and How Can Buyers Benefit from it?

Darren Knowd, Chief Executive, Darren Knowd Ltd

12:30 - 13:00

How eSenders are Helping to Deliver the Procurement Act

Kevin Lewis, Senior Business Development Manager, Delta eSourcing

13:00 - 13:30

A Catalyst for Change: Unlocking the Potential of the Procurement Act

Alan Heron, Director of Procurement, Places For People

13:30 - 14:00

Pipelines, Frameworks and Dynamic Markets - Benefiting From the New Commercial Tools

Richard Hassett, Senior Policy Lead - Transforming Government Procurement, Crown Commercial Service

14:00 - 14:30

What does the Revised National Procurement Policy Statement Mean for Buyers and Suppliers?

Lorraine Cox, Chair, National Social Value Task Force

Peter Schofield, Head of Integrated Commissioning and Procurement, Manchester City Council

14:30 - 15:00

Using the Procurement Act to Unleash Innovation and Added Value in Public Procurement

John Coyne, Director of Commercial & Procurement, Birmingham City Council

15:00 - 15:30

Understanding the Competitive Flexible Procedure

Rebecca Rees, Head of Public Procurement, Trowers & Hamlin LLP



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Future of Public Procurement Zone



10.30 - 11.00	How AI is Shaping the Future of Public Procurement Philip Orumwense , Commercial Director and Chief Technology Procurement Officer, Crown Commercial Service
11.00 - 11.30	How Does the New Political Landscape and Proposed Legislation Impact Public Procurement? Ben Paxton , Researcher, Institute for Government
11.30-12.00	The Future of Frameworks Michelle Walker , Head of Procurement Services, YPO
12.00-12.30	How Will the Procurement Act Shape the Skills Required for Successful Outcomes? Ian Schollar , Head of CIPS Study Centre, CIPS
12.30-13.00	What Do Recent Political Shifts Mean for the Social Value Movement? Isabelle Parasram OBE , Chief Executive Officer, The Institute for Social Value
13.00 - 13.30	How Mega Trends Insights Can Deliver Innovative Procurement Emma O'Dell , Skills and Capability Planning Director, BPP Group Carolyn Bayley , Head of Bid Management, BPP Group
13.30 - 14.00	Delivering on the Ambition for More Social Housing John Wallace , Procurement Director, Clarion Housing Group
14.00 - 14.30	Bringing VCSEs and Community Organisations Into the Public Sector Supply Chain Dan Ebanks , Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Social Value Exchange
14.30-15.00	Have You Got Your Act Together? We've Got You Covered! - OneAdvanced Silverio Governo , Procurement Digitisation Consultant, One Advanced
15.00 - 15.30	How Councils are Collaborating to Achieve Their Net Zero Ambitions Christopher Hammond , Chief Executive, UK100



PASS Commercial Skills Zone

with **Paul Wright**, PASS Consultant

10.30 - 11.00	Effective Market Engagement for Buyers and Suppliers
11.30 - 12.00	Interpreting the National Procurement Policy Statement
12.30 - 13.00	What does Good Contract Management Look Like?
13.30 - 14.00	The Art of Brilliant Negotiation
14.30 - 15.00	Evaluating AI Generated Bid Responses

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11:00 - 11:30	The Future of Public Sector Procurement Faye Dolan , Framework Director, Procure Partnerships Framework
11:30 - 12:00	Taking Social Value Mainstream Guy Battle , Chief Executive Officer, Social Value Portal
12:00 - 12:30	Selling to Wales - a Welsh Perspective on the Procurement Act Carl Thomas , Procurement Reform Stakeholder & Policy Lead, Welsh Government
12:30 - 13:00	Unlocking the Power of VCSEs as Social Value Delivery Partners Tia Sammallahti , Chief Executive Officer & Founder, whatimpact
13:00 - 13:30	The Role of Frameworks in Supporting the Transparency Objectives of the Procurement Act Oliver Mooney , Head of Category, Fusion21
13:30 - 14:00	How Does the Procurement Act Apply to Defence? Ben English , Head of Procurement Reform, Ministry of Defence Alex Holden , Procurement Reform Assistant Head, Ministry of Defence
14:00 - 14:30	The 'S' in ESG Laura Savage , Director of Partner and Social Value Service, People Plus
14:30 - 15:30	The Role of the Procurement Review Unit Jason Duncombe , Head of Procurement Review Unit, Cabinet Office Amy Headington , Head of Debarment and Investigations, PRU



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11:00 - 11:15	John Coyne , Director of Commercial and Procurement, Birmingham City Council
11:45 - 12:00	John Wallace , Procurement Director, Clarion Housing
14:00 - 14:15	Philip Orumwense , Commercial Director and Chief Procurement Officer, Crown Commercial Service
14:30 - 14:45	Guy Battle , Chief Executive Officer, Social Value Portal
15:00 - 15:15	Andy Hughes , Deputy Head of Operational Procurement and Category Manager, North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium



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28 October - Crowne Plaze, Glasgow



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GO Awards Wales 2025/26
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