

# LUPC Strategy 2021-2024

Working together to achieve shared goals in a changing world

# **Strategic goals**

- Deliver compliant framework agreements that are commercially advantageous for our members.
- Enhance LUPC's position as a leader in Responsible Procurement.
- Foster a culture for members and employees to network, share best practice, learn, develop, and grow.
- Collaborate widely to share, learn, and streamline activity to ensure maximum benefit for our members and to raise the profile of procurement.
- Develop a range of member benefits that add value.
- Ensure customer service excellence in all we do.

# Goals, objectives and KPIs

1. Deliver compliant framework agreements that are commercially advantageous for our members.

### **Objectives**

## Working with UK Universities Purchasing Consortia (UKUPC) we will:

- Deliver frameworks that meet the requirements of the new public procurement regulations.
- Consider the commercial requirements of our members widely at every stage.
- Reflect member needs consistently in our framework offerings in terms of value, scope, and sustainability.
- Ensure innovation is contemplated at all appropriate times throughout the procurement process.
- Apply continuous improvement protocols to each framework iteration.

#### **KPIs**

- 1a) Use the annual survey to seek wider feedback on current and future use of framework agreements. Target >90% satisfaction rate.
- 1b) After allowing for inflation, a year-on-year increase on spend through framework agreements.

# 2. Enhance LUPC's position as a leader in responsible procurement

#### **Objectives**

- Implement effective supplier due diligence.
- Communicate our activity regularly through media, events, and training opportunities.
- Investigate opportunities for collaboration with appropriate bodies where learning can be shared across the three pillars (Environmental, Social, Economic).
- Provide 1:1 and group support to our members via our dedicated responsible procurement lead.
- Work with suppliers and our members to help them achieve their net zero emissions targets.
- Improve the Equality, and Inclusion (EDI) understanding of our staff and our members procurement teams.

# KPIs

- 2a) Achieve the KPI's in the LUPC Responsible Procurement Strategic Plan.
- 2b) Using the annual survey, seek members' views of LUPC's position as a leader in responsible procurement: Target >85%.

- 2c) Ensure all those in contracting roles, as well as the director and deputy director, maintain Chartered MCIPS status.
- 2d) Deliver procurement related EDI training for staff and members.

# 3. Foster an inclusive culture for members and employees to network, share best practice, learn, develop, and grow.

# **Objectives**

- Provide regular and ample opportunities for networking and collaboration in person and online.
- Identify gaps in knowledge or participation where LUPC can support its members in development.
- Support members in the development of their commercial thinking specifically with regards to the effective and efficient use of framework agreements.
- Create an environment where all LUPC staff feel valued and continuous learning is the norm.

#### **KPIs**

- 3a) As a minimum, deliver 24 group events for members per year.
- 3b) Develop a new online networking platform for our members.
- 3c) Target a >50% response rate to our annual survey.
- 3d) Undertake an annual staff survey, managed externally, to measure staff satisfaction.
- 4. Collaborate widely to share, learn, and streamline activity to ensure maximum benefit for our members and to raise the profile of procurement.

#### **Objectives**

- Continue working closely with UKUPC and its working groups.
- Work proactively with a wide range of external stakeholders to establish and learn best practice protocols to share with members.

#### **KPIs**

4a) For every framework we deliver we will invite appropriate representation from other sector associations/groups to the tender working party.

# 5. Develop a range of member benefits that add value.

## **Objectives**

- Provide detailed annual member benefits reports.
- Distribute accurate and informative spend data to members.
- Adopt a continuous improvement approach to the range of benefits we offer.

# **KPIs**

5a) Proactively work to increase the number of members we provide individual spend data reports for using 2020 as the base year.

# 6. Ensure customer service excellence in all we do.

## **Objectives:**

- Understand and respond appropriately to our members' needs.
- Establish clear and effective internal processes in customer service.

# **KPIs**

- 6a) Gain and maintain an annual formal Customer Service Excellence accreditation.
- 6b) Through the annual member survey, measure member satisfaction. Target >95% agree or strongly agree that we provide excellent customer service.

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