

Project Plan - Inquiry into Procurement

Date/Venue	Evidence Gathering Activity	
Procurement Pre-Inquiry Scrutiny Working Group 24 Oct 19 and Revisited 24 Jun 21	Overview of subject area with key officers and Lead Cabinet Member for Procurement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an overview of the structure and make-up of the service, the legal frameworks we work under and the key influencers. • Provide the Procurement Strategy for Swansea • Outline Procurement Framework and probity, legislative and policy influences (national, local and Europe) 	
Evidence gathering - Internal		
Session 1 27 Jul 21	Internal Audit	
Session 2 16 Aug 21	Place	Departmental perspectives/procurement activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive social/local procurement activities • Environmental, ethical and sustainable procurement • Case studies • Consistency in following practice/procedures • Monitoring and enforcing SLAs/contract terms • Joint Procurement activities • Specific legislative/policy influences
Session 3 13 Sep 21	Social Services (including commissioning aspects)	
Session 4 27 Sep 21	Education Corporate centre	
Consultation activities - External		
Session 5 20 Oct 21	Talk to others - local businesses and stakeholders – roundtable meeting remotely	
Session 6 10 Nov 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Wales – training for small businesses • Submissions received from call for evidence • Social and local procurement ...look at practice elsewhere including Cardiff and Preston’s socially responsible procurement info. • Any useful survey or comparison data readily available 	
TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend procurement/buyer meeting/event - tbc 	
Concluding Inquiry		
Meeting 7 24 Nov 21	Findings report and discussion	
Meeting 8 31 Jan 22	Draft Final Report (informal meeting)	
Meeting 9 15 Feb 22	Final Report agreed by Panel (then submitted to Scrutiny Programme Committee on 15 Jul 21 and Cabinet on 21 Apr 21)	

