

Table 1: Competitive Tenders

Title of Tender	Proposed Contract Duration	Est. Max Contract Value	SRO	Short description of goods / services	On published pipeline (Y/N)	Prior Committee approval (Y/N) If Y name Committee & Date	External Funding (Y/N)
Software application to support employers	Up to 18 months	£225,000	D Martin	To utilise advanced, intelligent software to develop bespoke system to improve employer engagement and navigation of employability and skills programmes, especially for micro/SME employers who currently face barriers accessing support. Funded by UFI VocTech Trust to advance development of prototype tool	N	N	Y
Telephony VOIP	Up to 3 years	£70,000	P Gribben	To provide modern telephony services with SIP/VOIP for all currently connected BCC sites.	N	N	N
Printing of City Matters magazine	Up to 3 years	£350,000	E McConville	Specialist printing contractor is required to print residents' magazine	Y	N	N
Curation of Fringe Programme for the Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann	Up to 2 years	£650,000 p.a.	D Martin	To appoint a curator(s) to support the development and delivery of the Fringe, and elements of the Core Programme, of the Fleadh which will complement the Comhaltas programme of competitions, concerts and the Scoil Éigse.	N	N	N

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				Programming for Fleadh 27 needs to progress urgently due to work required with planning; however, the tender will include clauses to allow for renegotiation to account for any lessons learned exercises from Fleadh 26 when complete.			
Provision of fuel cards	Up to 3 years	£700,000	D Sales	To facilitate OSS operations, numerous satellite vehicle muster locations for street cleansing and parks operational vehicles are spread across the city of Belfast to avail of local petrol filling stations to reduce operational downtime to fuel vehicles.	N	N	N
To supply Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil 'HVO' bulk fuel	Up to 15 months	£2,375,000	D Sales	To ensure Belfast City Council vehicles use the lowest carbon fuel available, to aid ourselves in achieving a zero net carbon output by 2030/2040/2050 through low carbon fuels, new technologies and new vehicles	Y	N	N
Supply and Delivery of Tyres	Up to 4 years	£250,000	D Sales	To provide a range of tyres at a competitive price for our diverse fleet at BCC. New tyres are essential to keep the vehicles in roadworthy condition.	Y	N	N

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Table 2: Single Tender Actions

Title	Duration	Est. Max Contract Value	SRO	Description	Supplier	STA Reason	Other Committee approval (Y/N) If Y name Committee & Date	External Funding (Y/N)
MTC for annual planned, preventative and reactive maintenance for fire, smoke and AOV systems throughout the BCC Estate	Up to 2 years	£150,000	S Grimes	Supplier is the proprietary supplier/installer for Colt and Safeguard systems throughout Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. No other supplier can service this fire, smoke and AOV system.	G.S. Stothers Smoke Ventilation Specialists Ltd	3.	N	N
Oracle technical support and software license for use of systems with 1000 users	Up to 3 years	£84,000	P Gribben	This is the site license for BCC and Oracle technical support and software license. For systems with less than 1,000 named users. No other supplier can provide these licences.	Oracle Premier Support Digital Renewal Center	3.	N	N
Delivery of the Co-Builders Blueprint business development project	Up to 1 year	£152,703	D Martin	The requirement is to appoint Catalyst to deliver Co-Builders programme specifically for Belfast based individuals and businesses with new, innovative and scalable business ideas. This project is directly aligned to the Innovation and Digital Pillar of the City Deal and the Council's enterprise and business growth work plan. Catalyst is the only supplier who can deliver the Co-Builders programme as they designed it originally.	Catalyst (Northern Ireland Science Park (Holdings) Ltd	4.	N	N

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Specialist pest control, pest removal and extensive cleaning of Assembly Rooms and ancillary buildings	Up to 3 weeks	£40,000	S Grimes	The interior of the assembly rooms requires specialist cleaning and vermin removal which has hit a critical juncture where no repair works can be carried out internally due to health and safety concerns and conditions which are hazardous to human health. BCC are also currently under legal obligation (NDA) for disclosure of the internal condition of the assembly rooms. Given this and timescales involved STA considered only feasible route to procure service	Termapest	3.	N	N

Table 3: Modification to Contract

Title of Contract	Original Duration & Value	Modification	SRO	Description	Supplier
The programming of live music across two venues during Fleadh 26	Up to 3 months & £29.5k	Additional £7,500	K Forster	Modification required to include additional programming Contract is being reported as it now exceeds £30k.	SD Event Management Ltd

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Table 4: Non-Procurement Expenditure

Title	Duration	Value	SRO	Description	Supplier
Specialist support to deliver key strands of the Resources and Fleet Transition and Improvement Programme	Up to 2 years	£35,000	S Leonard	ASPE are a member organisation and as such we can utilise the required services without undertaking the usual procurement exercise. APSE have unique knowledge and expertise that is required to support this programme of work This is considered an exempted contract under the Act in line with Schedule 2, section 2 (1) - vertical arrangement.	APSE Synergy Ltd

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STA/ Direct Award Reasons

STA Number	Full description
1. Switching to a Direct Award	Switching to a Direct Award: No response or no suitable response following advertised procurement exercise.
2. Single Supplier for Art or Artistic Performance	Single Supplier for Art or Artistic Performance: the creation or acquisition of a unique work of art or artistic performance
3. Single Supplier Absence of Competition for Technical Reasons	Single Supplier Absence of Competition for Technical Reasons: only a particular supplier can supply the goods, services or works required and there are no reasonable alternatives to those goods, services or works
4. Single Supplier Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)	Single Supplier Intellectual Property Rights (IPR): only particular supplier can supply the goods, services or works required due to that particular supplier having IPR or other exclusive rights and there are no reasonable alternatives to those goods, services or works.
5. Urgency	Urgency: Where the goods, services or works to be supplied under the public contract are strictly necessary for reasons of extreme and unavoidable urgency which is not attributable to any act or omission of and could not have been foreseen by the council, and as a result the public contract cannot be awarded on the basis of a competitive tendering procedure using the reduced 10 day period for 'urgent procurements'
6. Prototypes and Development	Prototypes and Development: the production of a prototype, or supply of other novel goods or services (i.e. goods or services designed or developed at the request of BCC), for the purpose of testing the suitability of the goods or services, researching the viability of producing or supplying the goods or services at scale and developing them for that purpose, or other research, experiment, study or development.
7. Additional or Repeat Goods Services or Works	Additional or Repeat Goods Services or Works: Extension or Partial Replacement concerns the supply of goods, services or works by the existing supplier (includes supplier that the council no longer has a contract with) which are intended as an extension to, or partial replacement of, existing goods, services or works in circumstances where a change in supplier would result in the council receiving goods, services or works that are different from, or incompatible with, the existing goods, services or works, and the difference or incompatibility would result in disproportionate technical difficulties in operation or maintenance.
8. Commodity	Commodity: Supplies quoted and purchased on a commodity market
9. Advantageous time-limited	Advantageous time-limited: Supplies or services on particularly time-limited advantageous terms e.g. supplier winding up its business activities

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10. Additional or Repeat Goods Services or Works	Additional or Repeat Goods Services or Works: Similar to Existing Goods Services or Works, concerns the supply of goods, services or works by the existing supplier (includes supplier that the councils no longer has a contract with) that are similar to existing goods, services or works where the existing goods, services or works were supplied under a public contract that was awarded following a competitive procedure within the period of five years ending with the day on which the transparency notice is published, and the tender notice or any tender document in respect of the earlier contract set out the Council's intention to carry out a subsequent procurement of similar goods, services or works in reliance on this direct award justification, and any other information specified in Section 95.
11. Other	Other: Reason not in line with Procurement Act 2023
12. To Protect Life	To Protect Life: where a Minister of the Crown has by Regulations provided that specified contracts may be awarded to protect human animal or plant life or health or protect public order or safety
13. Schedule 2– Exempted Contract	Schedule 2– Exempted Contract: Requirement not considered procurement spend but use of STA process to document and approve spend. https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2023/54/schedule/2