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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)
Traffic management service for Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 27	Up to 1 year	£400,000	D Martin	Due to this expanded scope and the need for a dedicated, event-specific solution, a new standalone contract must be procured to ensure safe, compliant and effective delivery of traffic management services for Fleadh 2027. Please note that due to time required in planning and road closure notices this tender was advertised w/c 3rd August to allow sufficient time for award and implementation.	N	N	N
Provision of the cleaning services	Up to 5 years	£1,000,000	N Largey	Critical service to ensure facilities are clean and operational for staff, visitors and commercial partners across a wide range of facilities and services across Belfast This contract is used across Departments to cover assets and buildings not historically covered by in-house cleaning teams.	Y	N	N
Supply and delivery of playground parts	Up to 3 years	£60,000	S Leonard	This contract will ensure a steady supply of replacement playground parts for the Council's playground inspection teams.	Y	N	N

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Supply, delivery and installation of summer plants and containers	Up to 3 years	£250,000	D Sales	This contract supports OSS and Bereavement Services with hanging baskets, flower towers, wall mounted manger baskets and barrier/troughs for Belfast in Bloom	Y	N	N
Assessment of biodiversity enhancement opportunities across parks and open spaces, pitches, playgrounds and amenity spaces	Up to 18 months	£41,667	S Leonard	One of the specific deliverables within the Nature Towns and Cities Project is professional work on the topic – Enhancing existing parks and open spaces for nature and climate resilience	N	N	N
Hotel Accommodation for Fleadh 2027	Up to 8 days	£300,000	D Martin	The contractual agreement between Council and Comhaltas includes the provision of hotel accommodation and business suite facilities. Dates for Fleadh 27 need to be secured with hotel accommodation asap.	N	N	N
Annual abstract of accounts training, technical guidance & treasury management advice	Up to 4 years	£31,200	T Wallace	Specialist consultancy services and training required for compliance purposes Please note that this procurement was conducted by Newry, Mourne & Down District Council on behalf of all NI councils with contracts award in July 26.	N	N	N
Web streaming and AV services at Roselawn Crematorium	Up to 3 years	£90,000	P Gribben	To facilitate secure remote access to funeral services for invited attendees who are unable to attend in person. This will enhance the quality and accessibility of the service provided to bereaved families during a difficult time.	N	N	N

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)
Delivery of Output Belfast - Ireland's biggest one-day music conference	Up to 4 months	£22,000	K Forster	There are no other suppliers who can deliver the conference activity. The Output Conference is a key event within the City of Music programme and Music Matters strategy. 2 months & £11k being reported as retrospective	Score Draw Music Ltd	2.	CG&R committee 15/04/2026	N
The provision 3D model, design and planning software	Up to 3 years & 8 months	£48,500	P Gribben	The current platform is widely used by key architectural practices across Northern Ireland who subscribe to the VU.CITY model. Replacing the current supplier at this stage would require a significant system configuration, implementation, migration of historical and live data, testing, user training and managed transition to a replacement platform.	VU.City	7.	N	N

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Table 3: Retrospective Single Tender Actions

Title of Contract	Duration	Est. Max Contract Value	SRO	Description	Supplier	STA Reason	Other Committee approval (Y/N) If Y name Committee & Date	External Funding (Y/N)
Park & Ride management for Fleadh 26	Up to 8 days	£170,000	D Martin	The end-to-end car park management solution is required for 3 x park and ride locations with Translink as part of Fleadh 26. The requirement emerged late in the planning stages and did not allow sufficient time to tender. This requirement will be procured via open competition for Fleadh 27.	Car Parking Services	5.	N	N
Delivery of Output Belfast - Ireland's biggest one-day music conference	Up to 2 months	£11,000	K Forster	Further to STA request above this is retrospective STA approval to cover services from July and Aug 26	Score Draw Music Ltd	2.	CG&R committee 15/04/2026	N
The provision 3D model, design and planning software	Up to 4 months	£4,500	P Gribben	Further to STA request above this is retrospective STA approval to cover services from 4 months from May to Sept 26.	VU.City	7.	N	N

Table 4: Modification to Contract

Title of Contract	Original Duration & Value	Modification	SRO	Description	Supplier
Research on Advanced Wireless Investment Models (T2696)	Up to 3 months & £70k	Additional 3 months	S McNicholl	Initial contract provided for a second sprint to develop proposals for investing Enabling Infrastructure Funds but subsequent agreement with DfE was that developing a business case would be an improved outcome for that work. The modification is retrospective.	Bloom Procurement Services (NEPRO3)
Health & Safety advice for Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 26	Up to 1 year & £30k	Additional £20,000	K Forster	The additional funds are required due to the increased level of support required from the contractor in the months leading up to and over the delivery period of the Fleadh. The nature of the support will not change. The modification is down to the increased level of support required to deliver this event for the first time. Contract is being reported as it now exceeds £30k.	Paul Scott
Deliver the resourcing plan to support the Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 26	Up to 3 months & £29k	Additional £8,500	K Forster	The Eventor is already in contract to manage this programme for Fleadh and therefore it makes sense that they continue to manage the additional asks and pressures on the programme and budget. The nature of the support will not change. The modification is down to the increased level of support required to deliver this event for the first time. Contract is being reported as it now exceeds £30k.	The Eventor

Table 5: Contracts awarded by Arc 21 on behalf of the Council

Title of Contract	Original Duration & Value	Modification Required	SRO	Description	Supplier
The receipt and processing of kerbside mixed dry recyclables – lot 1	Up to 7 years & £4.5m (BCC Spend)	Additional 6 months & £330k	D Sales	Arc21 are in the process of procuring a new contract for reception and treatment of dry recyclables (our blue bin waste) but due to delay in the DAERA consultation on future collections schemes Arc 21 are going to extend their contract for an additional six months.	Contract managed by arc 21

Table 6: Non-Procurement Expenditure

Title	Duration	Value	SRO	Description	Supplier
The Northern Light Incubation Project at Studio Ulster	Up to 2 years	£700,000	D Martin	As part of the Council's Local Economic Partnership Ulster University have been selected to support the delivery of this project. This is considered an exempted contract under the Act in line with Schedule 2, section 3 (1) - horizontal arrangement. Externally Funded	Ulster University

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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
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 council 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

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	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