



Launch of research exploring the wider local economic, social, and environmental benefits of procurement

Monday 25th October 2010 – The Great Hall, Manchester Town Hall

Agenda

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| 8.30 – 9.30 | Arrival and coffee |
| 9.30 – 9.40 | Introduction from Chair
Sarah Longlands, Director of Policy, CLES |
| 9.40 – 10.00 | The importance of progressive procurement to Manchester’s urban renaissance
Councillor Bernard Priest, Executive Member for Finance and Human Resources, Manchester City Council |
| 10.00 – 10.30 | Understanding the wider benefits of procurement spend – overview of CLES/MCC research
Matthew Jackson, Head of Research, CLES |
| 10.30 – 11.00 | Procurement as a driver of socio-economic improvement in Manchester – the role of the supply chain
Chris Biggins, Laing O’Rourke
Sinead O’Connor, Project Manager, YASP |
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Break |
| 11.30 – 11.50 | Taking the principle of the sustainable procurement strategy forward – case study of G4S
Adrian Sigsworth, Regional Director and Val Dale, HR Director |
| 11.50 – 12.10 | Ensuring procurement reaps maximum local economic benefit – the role of the Area Regeneration Teams
Sara Todd, Assistant Chief Executive (Regeneration), Manchester City Council |
| 12.10 – 12.30 | Balancing progressive procurement with financial austerity
Richard Harries, Deputy Director, Local Government Efficiency, Department of Communities and Local Government |
| 12.30 – 1.00 | Question and answer session |
| 1.00 | Lunch |