

Transparency: A guide to Categories of Spend.

Cleveland Fire Authority spends around £5 million each year on the procurement of goods, services and works from a diverse range of suppliers.

It is our public duty to ensure this money is spent in the most effective way whilst delivering value for money and complying with our statutory duty.

As a public sector organisation the way in which we procure is governed by both internal regulations and National and European legislation.

The annual spend of £5m (Which excludes direct employment costs) covers a range of works, goods and services, examples of which are highlighted below.

Works

Construction costs (Development of new build properties, refurbishments) Major repair works (Major repair programmes to properties, buildings)

Goods

ICT equipment (Hardware, software, printers, telecoms equipment) Fixtures and fittings (Minor fixtures and fittings such as carpets) Firefighting Clothing & Equipment (Clothing & PPE equipment) Corporate Clothing Printing & Stationary Materials (Building materials) Vehicles Tyres

Services

Cleaning services (Commercial, domestic, deep clean) Vehicles (Leasing, repairing commercial vehicles, company car) Fuel (Fuelling commercial fleet) Communications & Marketing costs Cyclical maintenance (Works such as grounds maintenance, decoration, and legislative) Professional services (Architects, engineers, project management)

Professional fees (Industry membership, professional subscriptions) Insurance (Corporate insurance) Recruitment costs (Cost of recruiting staff, advertising, agency fees, and temporary staff) Staff development (Staff training requirements) Business Travel/Accommodation (Staff travel/accommodation) Utilities (Gas, Electricity, Water) Pension services Staff benefits (Childcare, cycle to work)