



FACT SHEET

How to Do Business with Local Government

Spotting Procurement Opportunities

- Search Council Websites: Look for 'procurement' or 'doing business with the council' guides.
- Contracts Finder: Higher value tenders (over £30,000) are published here.
- **Email Alerts:** Sign up for free alerts on local portals.



Professional Buying Organisations (PBOs)

- Examples: ESPO, NEPO, YPO, Crown Commercial Service (CCS).
- **Expertise:** These organisations assist the sector with procurement.

Council Procurement Requirements

- Social Value: Councils seek suppliers who can help meet social goals.
- **Example:** Employing local apprentices in a construction project.





Additional Tips

- **Supplier Days:** Attend events advertised by councils or chambers of commerce.
- **Networking:** Collaborate with other suppliers for joint bids.
- **E-Invoicing:** Get familiar with electronic invoicing.









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