



Glasgow City Council

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Item 3 (b)

14th May 2026

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO
CONTRACTS**

Purpose of Report:

To submit for approval the Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Council considers and approves the proposed changes to the Standing Orders Relating to Contracts.

Ward No(s):

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No x

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The existing Standing Orders Relating to Contracts have been amended to reflect changes to financial thresholds contained in the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, the Utilities Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016 and the Concession Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2016.
- 1.2 Scottish Ministers review and update these threshold values every two years to align with the thresholds set out under the World Trade Organisation's Government Procurement Agreement (GPA).
- 1.3 The revised thresholds apply to procurement exercises commencing on, or after 1 January 2026. Further information on these changes can be found here: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/public-procurement-updates-to-thresholds-derived-from-the-gpa-sppn-4-2025/>.
- 1.4 The existing Standing Orders Relating to Contracts have also been amended to reflect the operation of delegated authority arrangements within the Council. Certain Standing Orders exercised by the Executive Director of Financial Services, Director of Legal and Administration and the Head of Corporate Procurement may be delegated to officers within their respective services.

2. Proposed Amendments

- 2.1 The updated threshold values contained in the procurement legislation are reflected in the Contents Page, Parts 1 – 4, Part 7 and Appendices 1, 2 and 3.
- 2.2 The officers authorised to exercise certain Standing Orders on behalf of the Executive Director of Financial Services, Director of Legal and Administration and the Head of Corporate Procurement are outlined in a new Appendix 7.

3. Business Bureau

- 3.1 The updated Standing Orders Relating to Contracts, incorporating the amendments outlined above, were submitted to the Business Bureau for consideration on 19th March 2026 and it was agreed that the Standing Orders should proceed to Council for final approval.

4. Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications: N/A

Financial: N/A

Legal: N/A

Personnel: N/A

Procurement:

Council Strategic Plan: N/A

Equality and Socio- Economic Impacts: N/A

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25? Please specify. N/A

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report? N/A

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage. N/A

Climate Impacts: N/A

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify: N/A

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal? N/A

Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target? N/A

Privacy and Data Protection Impacts: N/A

Are there any potential data protection impacts as a result of this report Y/N

If Yes, please confirm that a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) has been carried out.

5. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Council considers and approves the proposed changes to the Standing Orders Relating to Contracts, including the updates to the procurement threshold values and the addition of Appendix 7.