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The following paragraphs are additional information for the above report:

## **"8 Procurement Implications**

- 8.1 The proposed procurement strategy has been discussed and developed in collaboration with the Corporate Procurement Group and provides for an efficient method to seek tender proposals, while providing for some elements of flex to ensure income levels are maintained. Contract Procedure Rules 3.4 and 3.6 require that the Head of Procurement must be consulted on the use of framework agreements of this type, and the necessary consultation has taken place and the proposed actions are supported as representing best practice and likely to secure value for money for the service requirements identified.
  - 8.2 Both the ESPO framework and the Council's existing Exchequer Services Contract provide an EU compliant route to provide these services and therefore are arrangements which the Council can use without having to undertake separate (costly) tender activity of its own."