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## AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

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### 1 **REPORT PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an update on the College's recent Procurement and Commercial Improvement Programme (PCIP) assessment.

### 2. **RECOMMENDATION**

Committee Members are invited to review and discuss this paper.

### 3. **BACKGROUND**

Colleges and Universities are now periodically assessed by Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC) through the Procurement and Commercial Improvement Programme (PCIP) which replaced the previous Procurement Capability Assessment Programme (PCA).

Glasgow Clyde College is subject to a 'Lite' assessment which applies to institutions with a non-pay spend value between £2 million and £15 million per annum.

The PCIP programme focuses on the policies and procedures driving procurement performance and, more importantly, the results they deliver. The key points of the PCIP are:

- Organisations will be assessed every two years (previously annually)
- New assessment questions set
- New scoring and performance bandings
- Introduction of a new Medium Assessment to complement the Lite and Full Assessments

- Introduction of a Level 4 – High Performing Assessment to the Full Assessment
- The assessment results will not be comparable in any way to the previous Procurement Capability Assessment (2009-2014).
- New assessment methodology, including information being submitted and assessed in advance of the assessment day.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016, the College was assessed against the new PCIP programme and achieved a Gold score, which is the highest performance band. The College expects to be re-assessed in the Academic Year 2018/19.

The assessors' summary statement: *“The PCIP Lite score achieved by Glasgow Clyde College is an excellent one. Sound procurement processes are well embedded and understood. These are demonstrably linked to outcomes and benefits that support optimal use of College resources in meeting corporate strategic objectives, as well as broader collaborative opportunities that arise through the GRPT and the wider public sector procurement programme. A key factor in the success of the College procurement operations and their sustained improvements journey, is the ongoing support of College senior management. This has been an essential element in the facilitation of excellent performance.”*

A detailed version of the PCIP assessment report is attached to this paper.

#### **4. RISK ANALYSIS**

There are no specific risk implications in this paper.

#### **5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/ FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/ REGIONAL OUTCOME AGREEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

There are legal implications in terms of the College's procurement arrangements which must comply with the relevant legislation. There are no specific Financial or Regional Outcome Agreement implications within this paper.

#### **6. HAS AN EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT BEEN CARRIED OUT**

N/A