

Collaborative Procurement Member Authority Report 2015/16

Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council

This report covers 1st January to 31st December 2015 for both solution usage and rebate income, and 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016 for all other data.

Summary

	2015/16
Use of Solutions	36 out of 60*
Average Use across NEPO Member Authorities	38
Total Spend via Solutions	£10,039,001.46
Rebate Income Received	£156,031.43
Membership Fee	£76,259.24
Return on Investment (ROI)	£343,772.19

Contracts

Working under a shared service agreement, NEPO and its members have arranged over 60 contracts leveraging the bulk purchasing power of the region. The contracts range from electricity to food supplies, from construction contractors to road surfacing and from vehicles to DfE non-maintained and independent special schools and colleges. The members continue to grow the portfolio of contracts through a regional Collaborative Procurement Work Programme and continue to develop effective contract management processes to manage and maximise the value from each contract.

System Usage

Being a member of NEPO gives us access to an e-Procurement System called ProContract at a significantly reduced rate. The system includes functionality for tendering/ quotes, e-auctions, market engagement, a contract register and links to the Government's contract finder platform. We also have access to a spend analysis software system called ProSpend. The system provides intelligence and analysis of our spend patterns, supply chain and supply chain distribution.

The table below provides data on the system usage.

	2015/16
Restricted Tender Process	3
Open Tender Process	4
Requests for Quote	39
Market Consultation via NEPO Portal	3
Further Competitions	20
Number of Stockton Suppliers registered on NEPO Portal	607 = 7% of regional suppliers
Use of ProSpend (Logins v Highest MA)	Logins 52/1605 (7th out of 11)* Edits 6/1698 (6th out of 11)**

*Logins = frequency of access to run reports/review data

**Edits = engagement with data to ensure accuracy

Regional Voice

Being part of NEPO means the region can engage Government and other bodies such as the LGA Procurement National Advisory Group with one voice and ensure a coordinated input into national procurement policy and best practice.

Business Club

NEPO arrange and deliver a programme of supplier support events. These include training on how to access public sector contract opportunities, how to write winning tenders etc. The programme is run throughout the region.