

Procurement

Version 3

1. Policy statement

The Police Federation of England and Wales believes that there should be a national procurement strategy for the provision of goods and services including uniform, equipment and information technology.

2. Responsibility

The National Board is responsible for all policy formation.

3. Summary

Police forces in England and Wales procure a wide range of goods and services ranging from uniforms and police vehicles to estate and facilities management services such as cleaning. However, common specifications for many goods and services do not exist, for example for uniform and police vehicles; instead, there can be up to 43 different versions. PFEW believes that the Home Office, Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Officers should develop more national specifications for common types of goods and services to improve forces' buying powers and make savings.

PFEW believes that PCCs and Chief Officers should extend the use of collaborative procurement to rationalise the management of procurement and achieve greater economies of scale.

4. Procedures/implementation

PFEW will press the National Police Chiefs Council and the Association of Police and Crime Commissioners to extend collaborative procurement arrangements and to develop specifications for common types of goods and services.

Responsibility is delegated to the National Secretary and/or the appropriate sub-committee.

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Signed by:



National Chair



National Secretary