

## **Public Contracts Regulations 2015**

Model Standing Orders currently adopted by Stokenham Parish Council made reference in clause 18(f) to Public Contracts Regulations 2006. These regulations were repealed by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

These Regulations are engaged when (a) local councils in England are procuring a public works, public service or public supply contract with an estimated value of £25,000 or more and (b) local councils in England are procuring (i) a public works contract with an estimated value of currently £4,104,394 or more or (ii) a public service or public supply contract with an estimated value of currently £164,176 or more. The financial thresholds for proposed contracts in (b) are set by the European Commission and are confirmed in the Public Contract Directive 2014/24/EU. The thresholds are adjusted every two years and usually take effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January.

The National Association of Local Councils recommends that current Standing Orders and Financial Regulations adopted by councils be amended to observe the requirements of the 2015 Regulations.

### **Proposal:**

It be AGREED that

- (a) the adopted standing order 18a(v) be amended to confirm that the procurement and award of contracts comply with the 2015 Regulations when they have an estimated value of £25,000 or more and in turn that the Contracts Finder website be used and
- (b) the adopted standing order 18f be amended to reflect the relevant thresholds in the 2015 Regulations (which may vary from time to time).
- (c) the adopted Financial Regulations 11.1b, f, h and k) – Contracts, be read so as to comply with the terms set out in the 2015 Public Contracts Regulations until such time as the National Association of Local Councils provide updated model Financial Regulations.

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