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Dear Sir

Auditor-General's performance audit report – Procurement Management in Local Government – Your Reference: D22/20663

I refer to your letter dated 19 May 2022 and apologise for the delay in replying.

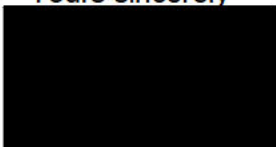
With respect to recommendation 2 (procurement training) contained in the Auditor General's performance audit report referred to above, I can confirm that all employees with purchasing delegations have completed procurement training in accordance with the recommendation.

By way of explanation the training had been made available to all relevant staff as part of the Council's 2020/21 and 2021/22 training plans. At the time of Council's last response dated 2 February 2022 the training had been completed by all relevant staff except for one. One employee had not completed the training due to an oversight however the training has now been completed.

With respect to the other recommendation referred to in your correspondence regarding assessment of supplier performance, Council's response initially focused on high value/high risk procurements. A risk-based approach was adopted having regard to Council's limited resources and noting that an assessment of supplier performance was occurring in low value/low risk procurements in an informal way, although steps needed to be taken to more formally document these assessments.

I trust this information clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely



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