

Strategic Category Manager

Department:	Chief Operating Office
Division:	Commercial Services
Reports to:	Head of Procurement
JE Reference:	COO1003.1
Grade: 13-14	JE Date: 09/12/2020

This role is a link grade of 13 and 14. Appointees who meet the essential skills, experience and requirements of this role would be a grade 14. Appointees that demonstrate some but not all the essential skills, experience and requirements would be considered at a grade 13 and given development opportunities to reach the higher grade

Job purpose

Specialist lead for procurement delivery, providing expert knowledge across high risk categories. Experienced in developing cross-cutting category strategies for business and category areas that maximise value and outcomes. Generating efficiencies and managing commercial risk within the category

Builds and leads an effective category team that develops strategic commercial and procurement initiatives, delivering high quality commercial outcomes across GoJ and proactively seeking innovative supply chain solutions that contribute to the attainment of GoJ strategic priorities

Job specific outcomes

• Provide deep category insight across specialised areas of spend to ensure GoJ achieve value for money and enhanced commercial outcomes. Delivering a 1-5 year procurement pipelines, which will identify cross cutting category initiatives and enable the design of work packages. Working across the departments to ensure that category strategies and plans are aligned to the commercial strategies and maximise the organisation's buying position whilst contributing to and delivering GoJ strategic objectives. Moving from a reactive to a proactive procurement service that adds value and insight across the GoJ

• Build and develop trusted relationships at a senior level across the organisation interacting with key stakeholders to provide strategic insights on business needs and develop and deliver innovative and fit for purpose contracting and negotiation strategies whilst securing improved value and contractual outcomes for GoJ

• Develop and influence fit for purpose category, procurement and supplier strategies that include innovative, progressive approaches. Securing goods, services and capital projects that align to, and deliver department strategies maximising the impact and value of commercial decisions and improve social value outcomes to Jersey and its residents.

• Direct and lead the research and analysis of market trends and best practice to ensure procurement and procurement strategies and approaches are current, risks are identified, and governance frameworks are effective, and insight is gained through the analysis of costs,



benefits, and supply markets. Providing in-depth analysis of markets and suppliers and provide relevant, up to date and forward-looking commercial insight that allows customers to make informed decisions

• Ensure Commercial & Procurement play a key role in business development, by developing innovative supply chain solutions that deliver client requirements, identify and mitigate category, procurement and supplier risk

• Ensure on-time delivery of complex, strategic procurement strategies and procurement events that deliver improved value to service users. Providing supply chain assurance to the business, ensuring commercial and service risks are identified, building appropriate mechanisms into contracts to manage the identified risks and ensuring the correct due diligence is in place

• Manage contracts and suppliers in line with the GoJ Supplier Management framework (risk, performance, value). Where appropriate, drive competitive advantage and additional value for GoJ, through collaboration and partnership, fundamental to the delivery of the GoJ strategic agenda, economic and social goals, product/service development and the innovation pipeline

• Ensure strong relationships with key strategic suppliers and stakeholders across GoJ to facilitate the creation and implementation of engagement and change plans and to influence and increase efficiency, value and outcomes in project delivery and supply

• Ensure compliance with all GoJ Commercial policies, standards and processes

• Lead, manage and coach the team and wider business to embed commercial and procurement practices and expertise

Statutory responsibilities

Active engagement, participation and compliance with any other statutory responsibilities applicable to the role, as amended from time to time.

Services (TIER 1,2 and 3 jobs only – DELETE if not applicable)

- Category Management
- Procurement Delivery
- Supplier and Contract Management





Organisational structure



Person Specification

Specific to the role

ATTRIBUTES	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Qualifications	Relevant business degree	
	Up to 5 years equivalent experience to the role	
	MCIPS/CIPS qualified (or equivalent experience)	
Knowledge	Knowledge of commercial and procurement principles and best practices. The post-holder will be required to coach others on the subject and peer-review/review work across GoJ to ensure it meets these standards Excellent knowledge of global category management, Supplier /Partner relationship management and contract models that deliver	Understanding of the Jersey political landscape (how things get done) Understanding of the Government Plan An appreciation of
	increased value throughout the procurement lifecycle. Through development and implementation of multiple relevant category strategies within large, complex organisations Knowledge of embedding extensive social value	the Team Jersey and One Government vision.
	 into multiple, diverse complex contracts to deliver increased value and outcomes throughout the commercial and procurement lifecycle Possesses a knowledge of relevant commercial legal provisions and processes, coupled with the 	



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	skills to use this knowledge to draft and manage	
	appropriate contracts. The post-holder will be required to coach others on the subject and peer-	
	review/review work across GoJ to ensure it meets	
	these standards	
Technical /	Ability to bring together a deep knowledge of the	
Work-based	broader business context and understanding of the	
Skills	business priorities, objectives with market and	
	supplier insights to increase value to GoJ	
	throughout the end to end supply chain	
	Excellent analytical reasoning and data analysis to	
	support insight led decision making. With the ability	
	to interpret and present the information to positively	
	influence decision makers across the organisation	
	Ability to achieve enhanced outcomes through	
	complex, senior negotiations that improve GoJ	
	services, value for money, social value, risk management, innovation and deliver sustainable	
	supplier relationships	
General	Demonstrable interpersonal skills, with the	
Skills/Attributes	presence to be a role model for other team	
	members and the confidence to challenge at all	
	levels	
	Ability to build strong credible relationships based	
	on trust, reliability and constructive challenge with	
	GoJ senior business owners, stakeholders and	
	strategic suppliers	
	Ability to bring together a deep knowledge of the	
	broader business context and understanding of the	
	business priorities and objectives with market and	
	supplier insights to increase value to GoJ	
– .	throughout the end to end supply chain	
Experience	Significant demonstrable experience of developing	
	and implementing complex category strategies	
	within large, complex organisations (preferably	
	within a commissioning environment). Achieving positive outcomes that contribute to the	
	organisation's strategic objectives	
	Significant demonstrable experience of influencing	
	and maximising value from large, complex internal	
	and external commercial relationships in complex	
	businesses that are undergoing significant change programmes	
	programmes	
	Significant demonstrable experience of working in	
	matrix environments undergoing significant	



business transformation. Influencing stakeholders to achieve the right outcomes for the organisation	
Significant demonstrable experience of achieving enhanced value for money, social value, risk management, innovation and sustainable supplier relationships through negotiations pre and post award of contracts	

Core Accountabilities, Attributes and Behaviour Indicators

Delete as appropriate:

Appointees to this role will be required to adhere to and perform their duties in line with the standards identified in the States of Jersey tier 1 to 3 core accountabilities, attributes and behaviour indicators.