



Comhshaol, Pobal agus Rialtas Áitiúil
Environment, Community and Local Government



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Notice on Publication of Purchase Orders over €20,000

Dear Manager,

I am directed by the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to refer to the above.

Under the Public Service Reform Plan, every purchase order made by a Government Department or Local Authority or Agency must be published online by the end of 2012. The Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (D/PER) have interpreted the Reform Plan commitments as referring only to payments for **goods or services procured** and consequently have omitted any other payments. They have also excluded purchase orders if the publication would be precluded under Freedom of Information legislation. Please see <http://per.gov.ie/purchase-orders> for details of the information published by D/PER.

To ensure that the timeframe set out in the Public Service Reform Plan is met, all Local Authorities should now arrange to have appropriate processes put in place for the publication of purchase orders online. Initially the publication will be on your own website.

Updates on the progress of this reform will be included in the Integrated Reform Delivery Plan for the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government and Local Authorities are asked to submit confirmation of delivery of this reform to LizM.O'Brien@environ.ie with a copy to Ruth.Nolan@environ.ie before 31st December 2012.

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