



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

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TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND STANDING ORDERS TO COMPLY WITH CHANGES TO EU LEGISLATION

Background and summary

The current version of the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations are published on the Council's website. Section 18 of Standing Orders (Financial controls and procurement) and Footnote 2 to Section 11.1 (Contracts) of the Financial Regulations require updating to reflect changes in the thresholds for the application of the EU Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016.

Report

Section 18 of Standing Orders – Financial controls and Procurement (parts f and g) – require the highlighted thresholds to be updated as follows:

f) A public contract regulated by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 with an estimated value in excess of **£189,330** for a public service or supply contract or in excess of **£4,733,252** for a public works contract (or other thresholds determined by the European Commission every two years and published in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)) shall comply with the relevant procurement procedures and other requirements in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 which include advertising the contract opportunity on the Contracts Finder website and in OJEU.

g) A public contract in connection with the supply of gas, heat, electricity, drinking water, transport services, or postal services to the public; or the provision of a port or airport; or the exploration for or extraction of gas, oil or solid fuel with an estimated value in excess of **£378,660** for a supply, services or design contract; or in excess of **£4,733,252** for a works contract; or **£663,540** for a social and other specific services contract (or other thresholds determined by the European Commission every two years and published in OJEU) shall comply with the relevant procurement procedures and other requirements in the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016.

In Section 11.1 Contracts, the Council's Financial Regulations need to have the corresponding thresholds at Footnote 2 amended to read:

- a. For public supply and public service contracts £189,330
- b. For public works contracts £4,733,252.

Recommendation

Councillors are requested to agree these amendments to both Standing Orders and Financial Regulations to reflect the legal requirements set out above.

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