

### Making places better



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# Why are Manchester bothered about sustainable procurement?

- a number of significant challenges facing the City:
  - Worklessness
    - 20% of working age population
    - Up to 40% of working age population in some wards
  - Low skills
  - High levels of deprivation
    - 4th most deprived local authority in the country



### Task 1

- Government spends £220billion a year on procuring goods and services
- Local Government spends £50billion a year on procuring goods and services
  - What additional benefits should this be bringing for economies and communities?



### Why Local Multiplier models?

#### **Fuelled by 2 key frustrations:**

- Under recognised role of the public sector in the local economy
- Lack of understanding of the catalytic and multiplier effects of public spend within commercial and social economies

#### What we set out to do

- Gather evidence on how and where public sector resources are being spent
- Develop a replicable method and model of measuring the economic impact of public sector spend on the local economy
- Enable strategic directors and managers to make better economic decisions around services delivery



## The Local Multiplier 3 (LM3) model

#### The LM3 model

- Round 1 total spend
- Round 2 spend upon (local) suppliers
- Round 2 spend upon (local) direct employees
- Round 3 re-spend of local suppliers upon their own local suppliers and their own local employees
- Round 3 re-spend of direct employees upon good and services in the local economy
- LM3 = Round 1 + Round 2 + Round 3Round 1



## The pro's and gaps of the research

#### Pro's

- Provides a multiplier figure
- Provides a data based understanding of the supply chain
- Provide a data based understanding of re-spend
- Provides a perspective for a specific department

#### Gaps

- Does not provide a detailed understanding of the practices of suppliers
- Does not always get into the bones of procurement strategy



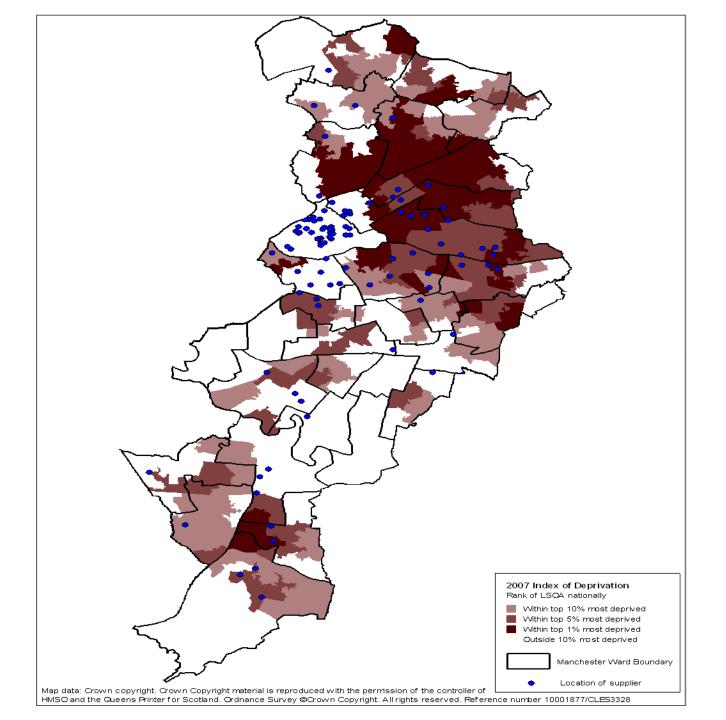
## Wider procurement research in Manchester

- To understand the extent to which procurement spend upon the top 300 suppliers stays in Manchester
- To understand what happens to procurement spend once it reaches suppliers
- To understand the activities of suppliers
- To explore the validity of Manchester City Council procurement strategy and any key barriers within the system
- To seek to link procurement spend to key local economic development challenges for Manchester and the city region



### Key results of research (1)

- MCC spent £357,382,215.03 upon its top 300 suppliers (08/09)
- MCC spent £183,967,557.15 upon Manchester based suppliers (51.5%)
- £43,164,744.32 is spent in Ardwick
- £87,541,509.18 is spent in Manchester neighbourhoods in 10% most deprived nationally
- £106,954,708.29 is spent with indigenous Manchester firms
- £309,055,609.74 (86.5%) is spent in Greater Manchester





## Key results of research (2)

- All suppliers re-spent £89,345,553.76 in the Manchester economy
- This equates to 25p in every £1 received
  - Manchester based suppliers re-spent 23p in every £1 received
  - Greater Manchester based suppliers re-spent 45p in every £1 received
  - National based suppliers re-spent 12p in every £1 received
- The catalytic impact of spend for the Manchester economy is £687,030,798
- Manchester procurement contributes towards the support of 5225 jobs in the Manchester economy



### Key results of research (3)

- Employment choice
  - Recruitment policy can support the recruitment of local labour
  - Community benefit is embedded into the practices of the construction sector
  - City council priorities can drive supplier policy
- Supplier choice
  - Supplier choices dependent upon the nature of the suppliers business
- Environmental considerations
  - Suppliers consider the environment in employee choices, supply choices and wider operational practices



## Conclusions of Manchester research

- Good evidence of policy and practice BUT:
  - More gain could be achieved for Manchester economy
  - MCC could influence the practices of the supply chain further
  - Procurement still viewed as complex and silo-ed
  - Economic and procurement functions not always linked
  - Geographical and sectoral gaps in delivery
  - Significant challenges facing the City
- Recommendations
  - Embed greater cross-departmental relations for procurement delivery
  - Identify wards and sectors to target for business support
  - Provide better direct advice to suppliers



- Through adopting a dually focussed sustainable procurement strategy
  - To ensure that balanced consideration of social, environmental and economic impacts are undertaken throughout the procurement process;
  - To ensure that Manchester City Council employees, contractors and suppliers are aware of the Council's commitment to long-term social, ethical, environmental and economic sustainability



- Thorough an understanding of the power of procurement to regenerate:
  - Through job creation
  - Through apprenticeships and skills programmes
  - Through adopting sustainability principles
  - Through recognising the multiplier effect



#### Through a range of tools:

- North West Construction Hub and Framework
- Manchester People into Apprenticeships Scheme
- Sustainability criteria in tendering
- Clauses around labour, apprentices, and the environment
- Meet the buyer events and training
- Gap analysis and support for Manchester business
- Supplier Network
- Cross Departmental Procurement Group



- Through challenging silos and cultural barriers:
  - Working across service departments
  - Maximising the benefits within EU constraints
  - Through engaging directly with the supply chain to understand their ethos



#### • Through a need to make efficiencies:

- Leader of NWIEP project to realise potential of collaborative procurement and sharing of innovation
  - 5 sub-regional and 2 regional hubs
  - Regional procurement network
  - Sub-regional infrastructures to ensure procurement efficiency at local level
  - Shared improvement and development programme
  - Capacity building around sustainable procurement understanding



### Task 2

- What are the key barriers to achieving wider benefit?
- How can these barriers be overcome?



### **Concluding thoughts**

- Procurement is changing local authorities need to:
  - Assess the cost benefits of procurement decisions and delivery
  - Further influence suppliers in delivering community benefit
  - Adopt centralised procurement but work cross-departmentally
  - Recognise the importance of small business and social enterprise to local economies



## Finishing off

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