



What is the Innovation Procurement Empowerment Centre (IPEC)?

The Innovation Procurement Empowerment Centre (IPEC) is a specialised initiative focused on creating new value by bringing in innovative solutions through procurement. Our aim is to empower councils and local authorities to embrace innovative procurement practices, driving positive regional and national strategic outcomes by doing things better, cheaper, faster, greener and safer for public authorities through market innovation.

To achieve this IPEC offers guidance, resources, and support in navigating the how innovative solutions can support procurement barriers. Our services include access to best practices, training programs, expert consultations, and networking opportunities designed to improve procurement strategies. Through our partnerships with industry experts and stakeholders, IPEC facilitates the identification, evaluation, and implementation of innovative solutions tailored to the requirements of public authorities.

What is our mission this year?

This year we rely on your knowledge and insights to achieve our mission to:

- Identifying the obstacles arising from procurement within the public sector.
- Creating a secure environment for sharing procurement failures, shifting away from a culture of blame towards embracing lessons learned.
- With the introduction of the Procurement Act 2023 we now have a framework for establishing the benchmark for excellence in procurement.

What difference has IPEC made to date?

Since it was created two years ago, IPEC has facilitated the implementation of innovative procurement practices across various councils and local authorities.

By fostering a culture of innovation and collaboration, IPEC has enabled public authorities to streamline processes, achieve cost savings, accelerate project timelines, reduce environmental impact, and enhance safety standards. The centres efforts have resulted in tangible improvements in service delivery, infrastructure development, and overall operational efficiency within the public sector.

How can IPEC support you?

We provide innovation guidance, training, and shared learning to tackle the procurement barriers you encounter. We also run a funded annual cohort programme where we work closely with five local authorities to find innovative solutioned to their specific procurement challenges and goals.

Additionally, we share insights open access learning through case studies to aid other local authorities confronting similar challenges.

What to find out more, share your barriers in procurement or get involved? Here is how

- Stay informed by signing up to receive industry-leading insights and latest updates from IPEC.
- Follow us on LinkedIn.
- Join our IPEC Community on LinkedIn and share insights with like minded professionals.
- Finally you can email us directly at contact@ipec.org.uk

More information on the work IPEC is doing can be found on our website.

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