



Focus on Procurement Emissions



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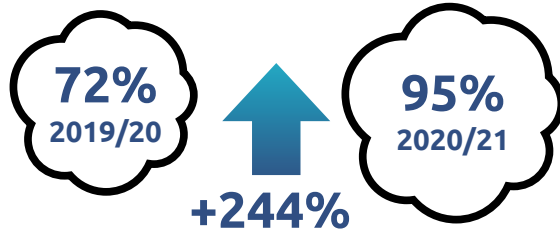
Procurement is the goods and services a public body buys to enable it to function and deliver its priorities and services

In Wales, procurement is one of the key corporate areas for change identified in the Well-being of Future Generations Act, encouraging us to think about how and where to spend money in the interest of current and future generations.



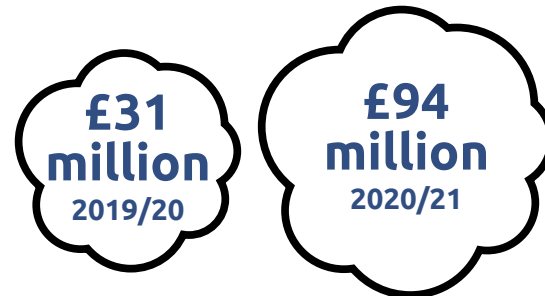
Key messages

PHW's procurement and supply chain emissions accounted for the majority of PHW's total emissions



This is due to COVID-19 and the PPE equipment and consumables required.

PHW's Procurement costs



The current way of calculating procurement emissions does not factor in sustainable procurement choices (which can sometimes cost more) with reductions only being achieved by spending less.

Procurement emissions represent a significant decarbonisation challenge, common with many public sector organisations

Welsh public sector spends **over £7 billion** each year on procurement

62% of the carbon footprint for NHS Wales was from purchase of medical supplies in 2018/19

Recommendations for PHW



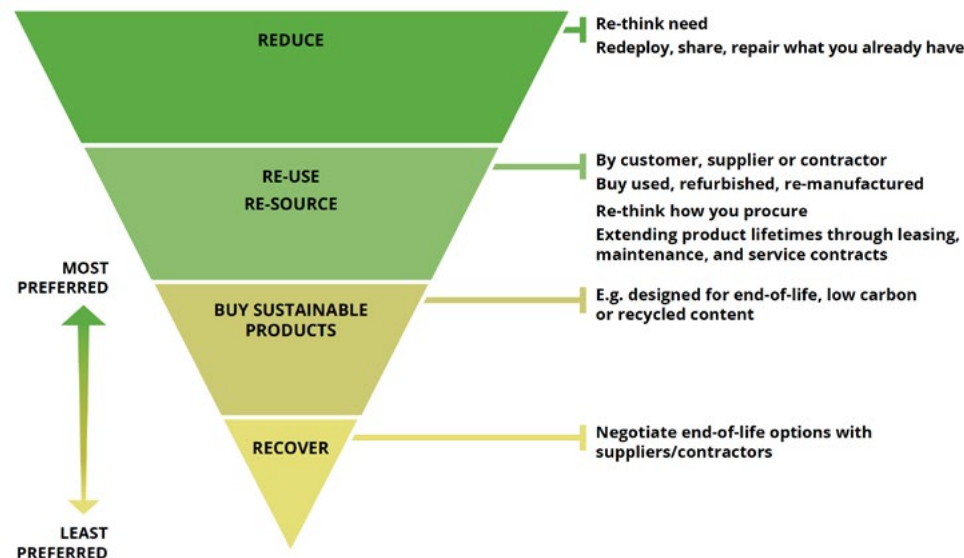
As part of the Well-being of Future Generations Act, sustainable procurement allows us to reduce our impact on the environment and support local businesses, to achieve a globally responsible Wales.

- Engage with your supply chains to find out what they are doing to reduce carbon emissions associated with goods and service delivery.
- Capture improvements to reduce emissions in the supply chain to support PHW reporting on decarbonisation activities and emissions.

How can you help?

- Sustainable procurement can mean not buying things at all, buying energy and resource efficient goods, think ethically and buy local goods to support the local economy.
- Before you buy, look at options to share, lease or reuse items and encourage suppliers to use less packaging.
- Follow the Sustainable Procurement Hierarchy to consider environmental impact when making purchasing decisions.

Sustainable Procurement Hierarchy



- Consider the whole life cycle costs – including creating raw materials, purchasing/ leasing, maintenance, operation, training, and disposal.
- The Hub's [Be the Change - Reducing our Waste Measurements](#) guide highlights some of the practical ways you and your team can reduce the amount of waste you produce to create a lower carbon (greener) society.
- The Hub's [Be the Change - Procurement that doesn't cost the earth](#) guide highlights how we can think about sustainability as we go through the procurement process, to help reduce our carbon footprint.

