

Procurement and Environmental Management

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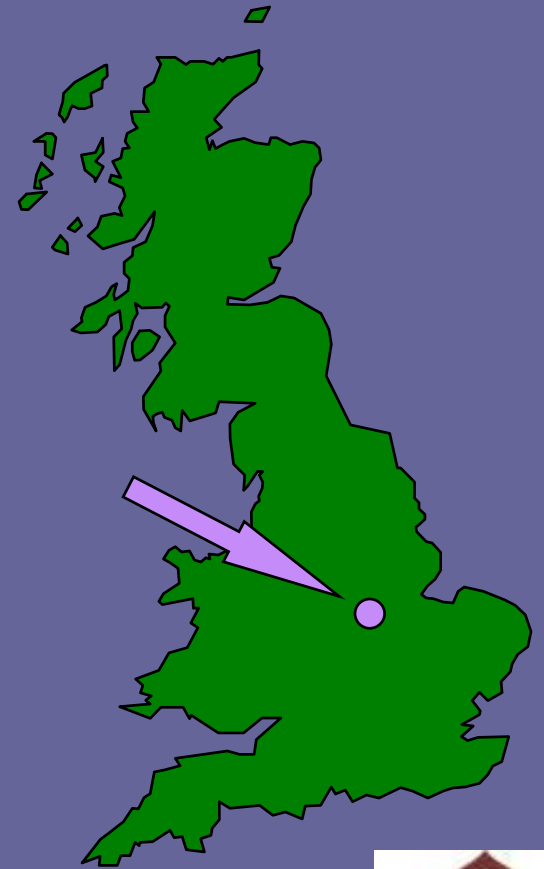
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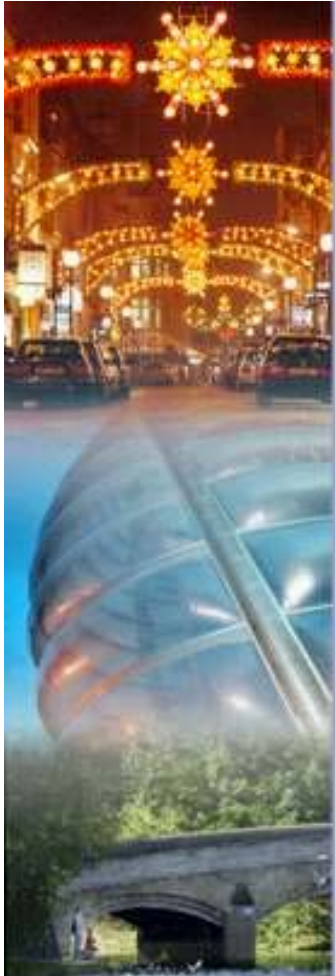




Leicester City Council

- Unitary Authority
 - Social Care
 - Education
 - Parks
 - Museums
 - Leisure centres
 - Roads
 - Waste
 - Housing
- 13,500 staff
- Gross budget €400 million
- €30 million on supplies and Services





Green Procurement in Leicester

Policies include:

- Paper
- Office equipment
- Energy Efficiency
- Cleaning Products
- Vehicle Fuel
- Timber
- Fairtrade
- Pesticides

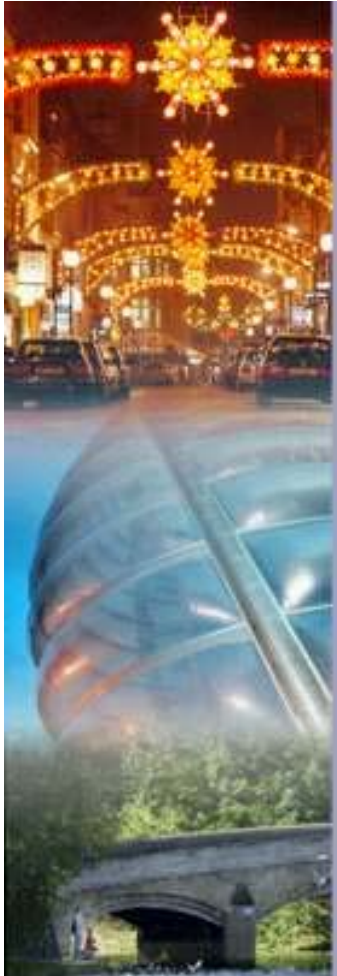




Purchasing

- We have the policies but how do we ensure they are followed?





Eco Management & Audit Scheme -EMAS

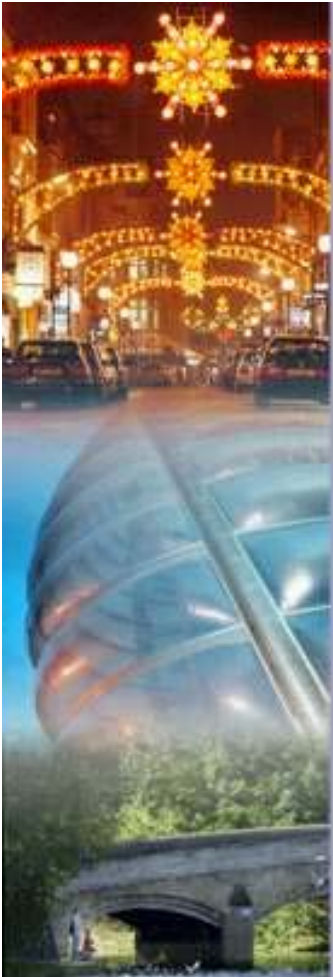
- Eco Management and Audit Scheme.
- A Management System:
 - Identify our Environmental Effects
 - Have Systems in place to Monitor Effects
 - Set Targets to Reduce Effects
 - Day to day control



The EMAS Process

Corporate Environmental Policy

- We will aim to purchase goods and materials that can be manufactured and disposed of in an environmentally friendly way
- We will conserve energy and other natural resources





LEAP Project

Local Authority EMAS and Procurement

- Co-ordinated by Leicester City Council
- 11 local authority partners from the UK, Greece, Spain, Portugal and Sweden
- 3 technical partners - ICLEI, Global to Local and SEMCO
- Funded by the European Commission's LIFE Environment Programme
- Running from 2003 to 2006





The LEAP Project

Objectives:

- Develop a suite of tools and guidance to help European public authorities to systematically, effectively and efficiently implement sustainable procurement
- Test Europe-wide joint procurement approaches to aggregate demand for sustainable products and overcome international market differences

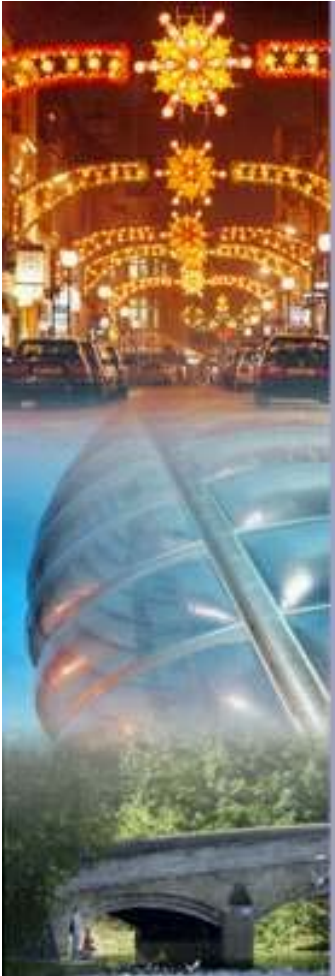




LEAP Toolkit

- Tool 1 - Standard policy for municipal procurement
- Tool 2 - A set of EMS procedures to use throughout the procurement process
- Tool 3 - An tool to assess the perceived barriers to green procurement

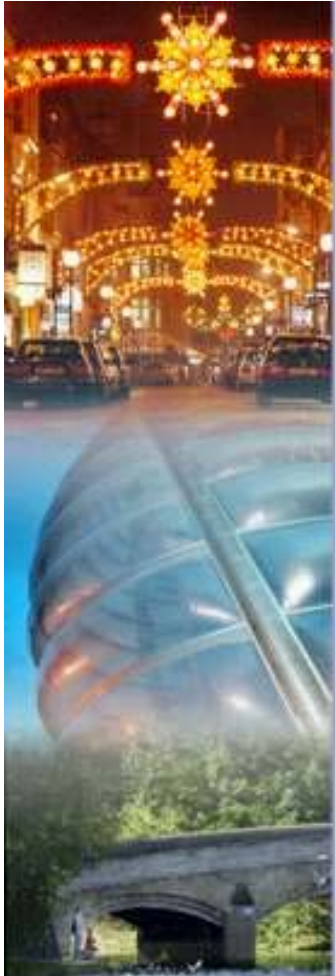




LEAP Toolkit

- Tool 7 - Standard Specifications
 - electricity, IT products, food and cleaning products
- Tool 8 - Tender Evaluation
- Tool 9 - Database of criteria and specifications
- Tool 10 - Development of the supply chain
- Tool 11- Market promotion





LEAP Toolkit

- Tools designed to be used either together or on their own to address specific needs in an authority
- Tools are undergoing final amendments
- Final package available June 2006





Joint Procurement

- 2nd project element - explore the possibilities for Europe-wide joint procurement. Why?:
 - To achieve economies of scale to get the best quality at the lowest price
 - To provide access to a wider European market and help introduce products or lower prices in countries with less developed markets
 - To provide suppliers of less environmentally damaging products with heightened market opportunities





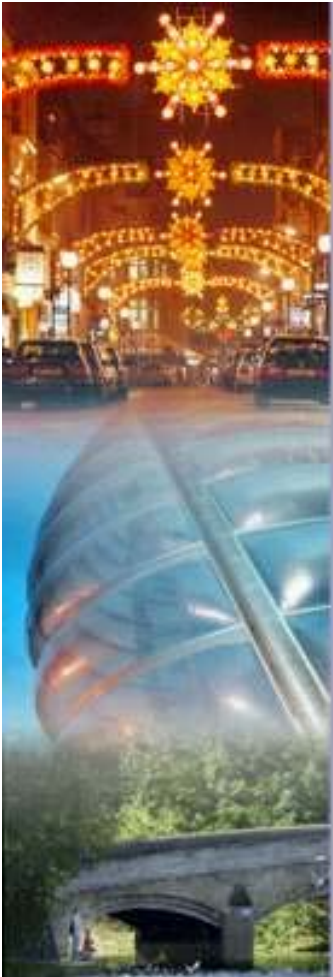
Joint Procurement

- 2 pilot joint procurement actions to be carried out.
- Current status:
 - Legal barriers meant that genuine cross-border joint procurement could not be tested for the first action.
 - Instead two national joint procurement actions launched in the UK and Greece for TFT computer monitors and cleaning products



Joint Procurement

- Hurdles to joint procurement:
 - co-ordinating procurement and procedural requirements of all participating authorities
 - working with different languages



LEAP Project

- Project ends 31st October 2006
- Final Conference in September 2006
- EcoProcura 2006

EcoProcura 2006

20 - 22 September 2006
Barcelona, Spain

