

Statement on Modern Slavery 2017-18

Introduction

This statement is made pursuant to Section 54 part C of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and sets

- Ensured that our commitment to equality, ethical business and the health and wellbeing of all who work for us forms a key part of our Strategic Plan 2018-2025;
- Undertaken a major review of our Financial Regulations, including their purchasing and procurement provisions, to ensure a) awareness and compliance across our organisation and b) that proper priority is given to the risks of modern slavery in every procurement that we make;
- Expanded our use of industry framework agreements to take advantage of and

support sector-wide compliance;

- Conducted an initial audit on two major suppliers;
- Developed training for all staff;

What we will do next year

Following a review of the effectiveness of the steps we have taken this year, in the coming year, we will:

- Begin a review of the provision of procurement opportunities with our organisation;