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Bringing a commercial perspective to our Facilities Management Services

- The need to become more commercial
- Turning our services into a business
- Where do we see potential opportunities?



Commercialism What does it really mean?

- Emphasis on the maximising of profit
- The activities or attitudes of people who think that making a profit is more important than anything else
- The practices, methods, aims, and spirit of commerce or business
- An attitude that emphasises tangible profit or success
- The attitude or actions of people who are influenced too strongly by the desire to earn money



Enterprising DG Vision

"Building the local economy by developing and delivering a range of high quality, value for money entrepreneurial services, in partnership with local small and medium sized enterprises"

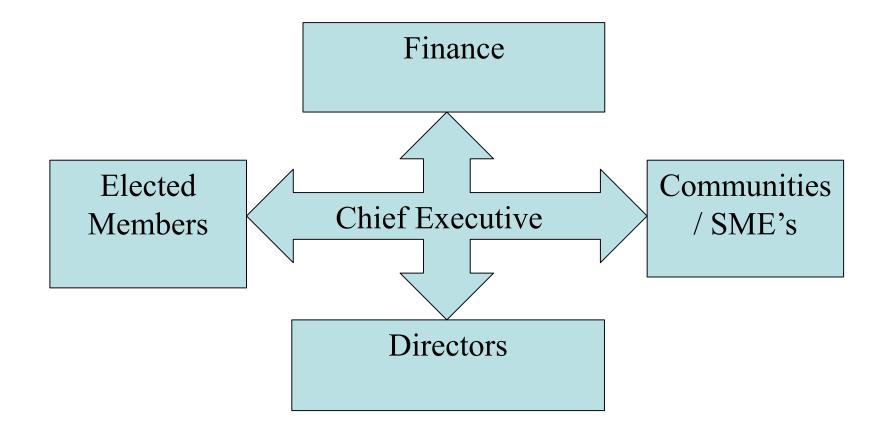


Commercial Development Plan Principles

- To generate a surplus, to be available for re-investment in the service or to support other priority front-line services;
- To maximise the utilisation of the workforce and other assets;
- To develop the skills of our workforce to enrich their jobs and allow us access to new markets;
- To develop a market that currently does not contribute to the economy of our Region; and
- To maintain and build our SME community, through Enterprising DG leadership.



What/Who is the Priority?









Turning our Services into a business

- Establishing FM into a commercial group
- Let go of non commercial functions
- Establish a team of key staff
- Economies of scale
- Challenge the Establishment
- Diversifying
 - Establish a group of services
 - Mobile Cleaning Teams
 - Provenance Chef
 - Look across your council for opportunities



Look for Opportunities

- Catering
- Cleaning
- Portable appliance testing
- Window cleaning
- Bus shelter cleaning
- Bus cleaning
- Fire extinguisher maintenance
- Water cooler maintenance
- Confidential waste service
- Caravan sites
- Etc.



Winning Contracts

- Saturate your internal business
- Look at local small business opportunities
- Grow into larger contracts
- Expand the services offered
- Venture further afield
- Work collaboratively with other local authorities



Never forget





