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**Request:**

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Query:

Do you have a model/methodology that you use when determining whether or not to buy or replace vehicles or equipment.

Many thanks in anticipation

**Response:**

Responded: 21/07/2010

Dear

Thank you for your request for information, placed under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) (FOIA).

I understand from my colleagues in our Procurement unit that broadly speaking, the decision to purchase vehicles or replace existing equipment involves an application to Senior Managers Group for consideration with a supporting business case setting out the Financial, Strategic, Commercial & Management elements with supporting evidence, i.e. cost benefits, cash flows, operational benefits, (risks) etc.

If approved the matter is referred to Procurement to determine the appropriate purchasing strategy i.e. whether we can utilise existing frameworks, what type of supplier & contract would be optimum, what does the specification need to contain for tendering etc.

Yours sincerely

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