

Commissioning of public services

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'Making it easier for sector to work with the state'

Longer term contracts based on outcomes

Social impact test

Participation of smaller organisations

Bids on basis of price not cost

Minister / Office for Civil Society

Select Committee/ Compact

'Making it easier to run a charity, social enterprise or voluntary organisation'

Reduce regulation, monitoring and reporting

Joint Task Force to reduce bureaucratic burden

Improve effectiveness of infrastructure

'Getting more resources into the sector'

Better access to strategic capital

Fair Deal on grants

Reform Big Lottery Fund

Improve government grant making

Inspiring people to give more time and money

More opportunities to deliver public services

Any willing and credible provider



‘Public services are facing complex challenges..increasing demand.. constrained budgets..and competing priorities. The way in which the public sector commissions services could help to meet these challenges.’

(NEF - A Better Return - January 2009)

‘We will work with local authorities to promote the delivery of public services by social enterprises, charities and the voluntary sector.’

(The Conservative Manifesto-2010)

‘Understanding the needs of service users and communities; closeness to people the public sector wants to reach; ability to deliver outcomes the public sector finds it hard to deliver on its own; innovation in developing solutions; and performance in delivering services.’

(Successful Commissioning Toolkit - National Audit Office May - 2010)

‘We will support the creation and expansion of mutuals, co-operatives, charities and social enterprises and enable these groups to have much greater involvement in the running of public services.’

(The Coalition: Our programme for government - May 2010)

Thank you.