

D1/January 2018

Diploma in procurement and supply

Contexts of procurement and supply

Date **Wednesday 24 January 2018**

Time **Start 09:30 End 12:30 Duration 3 hours**

QUESTION PAPER

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

This examination has **FOUR** compulsory questions worth 25 marks each.

1. Do not open this question paper until instructed by the invigilator.
2. All answers must be written in the answer booklet provided.
3. All rough work and notes should be written in the answer booklet.

QUESTIONS

You are advised to spend 45 minutes on each question.

- Q1** (a) Explain **FIVE** potential benefits of a supply chain management (SCM) approach to procurement and supply. **(20 marks)**
- (b) Outline why supply chain management (SCM) may be unattractive for some organisations. **(5 marks)**
- Q2** (a) Explain **THREE** reasons why clearly defining needs adds value in the sourcing process. **(9 marks)**
- (b) Describe **FOUR** types of electronic system that can be used in the sourcing process. **(16 marks)**
- Q3** (a) Explain **THREE** advantages to an organisation when adopting a devolved procurement structure. **(9 marks)**
- (b) Describe **FOUR** benefits delivered to an organisation by an outsourced procurement function. **(16 marks)**
- Q4** (a) Compare a private sector organisation with a public sector organisation in the following **THREE** areas:
- (i) Legal and regulatory environments
 - (ii) Organisational objectives
 - (iii) Importance of corporate social responsibility. **(15 marks)**
- (b) Describe **FIVE** ways in which the charitable status of a third sector organisation impacts on its procurement function. **(10 marks)**

END OF QUESTION PAPER



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