

AWE Supply Chain Bulletin



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News from AWE's Supply Chain Management Team

Introduction

Welcome to this first edition of our quarterly Supplier Bulletin.

We recognise that our suppliers are vital to delivering our mission, and that we need to improve our communication with you.

During 2017 the AWE Supply Chain team has worked hard to improve its procurement capability and in particular the way in which we engage with our internal and external stakeholders. To this end we undertook supplier engagement research over the summer which identified improvement areas.

A further exciting development is that we have taken the first steps in achieving CIPS Corporate Certification. Over the next few months, my team will be looking at how we can further improve supplier engagement and I would welcome your feedback on the bulletin and suggestions for topics going forward.

Carol Williams,

AWE's Head of Supply Chain.

Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply

AWE's Supply Chain work towards CIPS accreditation as a function.

CIPS (Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply) Corporate Certification is the recognised global accreditation for achieving excellence in an organisation's procurement and supply chain policies, strategies and procedures. By working toward this standard, AWE will further develop best practice processes and procedures that will benefit both AWE and the supply chain. Suppliers will benefit from greater engagement, improved communication and more effective performance management. A key element will be to build stronger supplier relationships where we can take full advantage of the innovation and expertise that resides within our supply base.

In summary, CIPS Certification will deliver value and improvement that extends beyond AWE to benefit both our supply and delivery partners



Head of Profession

Fiona McGowan appointed Head of Profession for Supply Chain Management at AWE.

Fiona joined AWE in 2004 and has supported a broad range of projects across the AWE programme.

Fiona currently leads the Supply Chain Compliance Team which assures AWE's ability to meet contractual, legislative and regulatory commitments from a supply chain management perspective.

Fiona said "I am passionate about developing supply chain capability and it is an honour to join other Heads of Profession at AWE as we champion our professional disciplines to benefit the AWE programme."



From Left to right: Carole Williams (Chief Procurement Officer and Head of Supply Chain), Joseph Adams (Director Programme and Supply Chain Management) and Fiona McGowan (Head of Profession)

