







SFT Outcomes

Demonstrating progress with impact

PRIMARY OUTCOME

SECONDARY OUTCOMES





PUBLIC ASSET CONDITION AND PERFORMANCE IS IMPROVED



PPP expertise ensures handback of building is in line with contractual standard

Across Scotland, there are many essential buildings such as schools and hospitals built and maintained through Public Private Partnerships (PPPs).

PPP contracts require the public sector to make monthly payments to a private sector company who in turn ensure the buildings are properly looked after. These historic contracts are often complex and need active management by the public sector.

For over ten years, SFT's Operational Contract Management team has offered and provided support to public bodies on their operational PPP projects which in many cases has led to improved public service delivery and financial savings.

Many PPP contracts last for 25 years after which the private sector company that has been looking after the building for that time, will hand it over to the public body. It is important for public sector bodies that the building are returned in their proper, contracted condition.

The Operational Contract Management team at SFT established an End of Contract Programme to assist the public sector in taking ownership of buildings at the end of their term in the best possible condition that the contract allows.

For one local authority and its PPP secondary school, the SFT team visited the building to assess its general condition. In order to assist in achieving specific handback requirements, a condition survey was undertaken to ascertain current compliance with contract requirements at the school and to highlight any shortcomings.

The team then provided support to the authority in scoping, procuring and undertaking a full condition survey.

A post-survey support was provided and used to start discussions with the private sector company to implement necessary works that were highlighted in the condition report as being non-compliant.

The survey report provided a detailed analysis of works that were required to be undertaken immediately to bring the facility back up to the contractual standard.

During the process, SFT's team provided ongoing support to the authority in negotiations with the private sector company in agreeing the extent of works to be undertaken, prioritisation of these works and the timeframes within which they were to be completed.

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