## Whole-of-Government Policies, Standards and Priorities – Agency Self-Assessment Template

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| ICT Assurance Framework Investment Principles   | **Business Case Development**  
Business cases must be developed with sufficient resourcing given the complexity of the project and assurance reviews (including via seed funding if necessary).  
All business cases must include the full set of technology and business change costs along with asset, development and other costs.  
**Project Funding**  
Agencies must not release full funding to projects until set up for success.  
**Project Duration**  
Projects must be modular with individual modules not exceeding two years duration to enable them to demonstrate specific benefits for discrete investment. Exemptions may be sought from the Secretaries Board and may involve additional scrutiny under the IAF. | Gate 0  
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| NSW Digital Government Strategy                 | The strategy sets out three digital priorities to realise the digital government vision.  
1. **Customer Experience** – improving customer experience of government services, underpinned by four digital standards, services must be: digital by default, designed around user needs, integrated and seamless, and accessible.  
2. **Data** – better policies, services and decisions enabled by data insights, underpinned by four digital standards: data-informed decision-making, open, real-time and spatial, and observing data sharing provisions.  
3. **Digital on the Inside** – streamlined and simplifies government services, underpinned by three digital standards: user centric, streamlined processes, and automated where appropriate.  
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### Customer-Facing Digital Transactional Services

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Agencies should note the following requirements with respect to Service NSW provision of transactional services:

- Provide the option for a customer to login using their MyServiceNSW account. This applies to new services immediately to the extent possible, and in any event no later than 1 July 2018, and retro-fitted to existing services from 1 January 2021*.
- Utilise the MyServiceNSW Authorisation Service and do not contain proof-of-authority requirements directly within the transaction. This applies to new services immediately to the extent possible, and in any event no later than 1 January 2019, and retro-fitted to existing services from 1 January 2021*.
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### NSW Cyber Security Policy

The Policy applies to all Public Service Agencies and encompasses:

- information and communications technology (ICT) systems, and
- industrial automation and control systems (IACS) that handle government or citizen data or provide critical government services

Mandatory requirements under the policy agencies must:

- implement cyber security planning and governance
- build and support a cyber security culture across their Agency and NSW government more broadly
- manage cyber security risks to safeguard and secure their information and systems

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- improve their resilience including their ability to rapidly detect cyber incidents, and respond appropriately
- report against the requirements outlined in this Policy and other cyber security measures.

A key consideration is the sensitivity of data that is used, impacted or can be potentially compromised as a result of the project and/or solution. Typical questions may include:

- Have security requirements been identified?
- Have the organisation’s security, information management, and asset management standards been built into the design and/or contract?
- Does the project plan/schedule consider cyber security activities, resources and timing?
- Has the project identified key cyber security threats and performed related risk assessments?
- Is security represented as part of the project team and SteerCo?
- Have resources been planned for cyber security testing and remediation?


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### Total Cost of Ownership

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Value is determined by considering all of the costs and benefits associated with an ICT investment, including both price and non-price factors. The value of alternative options will also be considered in deciding the preferred ICT investment. The NSW Procurement Board’s Statement on Value for Money gives agencies guidance about assessing and measuring benefits, costs and risks across the lifecycle of an investment.

Costs and benefits will be considered across the lifecycle of the investment, including acquisition, installation, operation, maintenance, refurbishment and disposal. In other words, agencies need to evaluate the total cost of ownership when considering different ICT enabled solutions.
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<td>The GEA accelerates the development of enterprise architecture capability across the sector. It enables a common, intra and inter-agency approach to the design of digital government by providing direction and practical guidance. Key focus points for Enterprise Architecture are ICT solution rationalisation and the planning, design and delivery of improved Key Service Capabilities including citizen-focused services. DFSI mapping of whole of government ICT investments using the GEA can assist agencies to answer the following questions: Could you leverage any of the existing whole of government building blocks? Could you leverage investments by other clusters uplifting or impacting the same business capability and technology types? For more information: <a href="https://www.finance.nsw.gov.au/ict/priorities/infrastructure-and-managed-services/nsw-government-enterprise-architecture">https://www.finance.nsw.gov.au/ict/priorities/infrastructure-and-managed-services/nsw-government-enterprise-architecture</a></td>
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• a framework of best practice principles and concepts drawn from latest experiences and proven practice in setting up and managing programs that is transferable across NSW agencies  
• a standard approach for benefits realisation management for anyone not familiar with the subject matter, including program directors and managers, change managers project managers, business analysts and program management office (PMO) staff across NSW Government  
• a consistent terminology and benefits categorisation  
• an introduction and guidance for program sponsors and business benefit owners.  
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| Procurement Policy Framework | The framework sets out a single source of guidance on the rules for NSW public sector procurement.  
**buy.nsw**  
buy.nsw is a procurement platform that provides NSW buyers with access to ICT procurement, specifically cloud products and services. The long-term vision for buy.nsw is to be a single government platform for all ICT procurement.  
**ProcurePoint**  
Provides procurement information and tools to help NSW government agencies and current or potential suppliers. It provides detailed information on the NSW | Gate 0  
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| Procurement Board, accreditation scheme, policies and other information related to the procurement reform. Within ProcurePoint, the ICT Services Scheme, provides a comprehensive approach to identifying, sourcing and procuring ICT goods and services, to ensure government harnesses new, innovative and effective approaches. NSW Government agencies have an obligation to use this whole of government scheme: [https://www.procurepoint.nsw.gov.au/scm0020](https://www.procurepoint.nsw.gov.au/scm0020) | Key whole of government supplier arrangements under the ICT Services Scheme: Microsoft - [https://www.procurepoint.nsw.gov.au/contracts/c2318](https://www.procurepoint.nsw.gov.au/contracts/c2318)  

**NSW Government agencies must use the Procure IT Framework to buy information and communications technology (ICT) related goods and services. The framework comprises standard NSW Government legal agreements:**  
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<td>ICT initiatives utilising spatial data should consider the Foundational Spatial Data Framework (FSDF). The FSDF is an Australian standard for authoritative spatial information. All State and Territory governments and the Australian Government are committed to the National FSDF, which is federated from the jurisdictional components. The FSDF is comprised of about 200 data sets in ten broad themes: Administrative Boundaries; Elevation and Depth; Geocoded Addressing; Imagery; Land Parcel and Property; Place Names; Positioning; Transport; Water; Land Cover. Key elements of the FSDF are: • <strong>Address.</strong> A single authoritative source of address is essential for both identity management and for efficient and effective service delivery. NSW Point, an Address Management Service based on the FSDF, has been</td>
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<td><strong>Positioning</strong>: A network of 200 ground-based Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORSnet) accessing Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS), a high-precision (2cm) real-time (&lt; 1 sec) high availability positioning service is available across NSW. In conjunction with the Geodetic framework this provides the authoritative positioning service for NSW.</td>
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<td><strong>Cadastre</strong>: The Digital Cadastral Database (DCDB) provides a spatial ‘fabric’ for the 4.5 million land parcels that make up NSW. While the legal definition of each parcel is held in the Land Titles Registry, the fabric is used as a spatial index to that registry and as a planning, modelling and analytical platform.</td>
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