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2010 5 24 of the 500 pfi contracts that are in the operational stage over half have a provision for periodically testing the value of certain services such as catering and cleaning in most contracts the exercise will be undertaken every 5 7 years and the value testing could be done either by benchmarking or market testing this report is based on an examination of the contractual provision of 34 pfi contracts to assess their expected effectiveness in addition 11 projects that had already undertaken value testing were also examined it was found that some of the initial cases of value testing showed value for money was being achieved but in other cases the outcome was uncertain most ministry of defence projects funded by pfi deals are delivered satisfactorily on time and on budget in six of the eight projects examined by the nao the department has generally achieved value for money through effective allocation and management of risks failures to identify and manage risks reduced the value for money achieved from the other two projects reviewed by the nao most mod pfi projects are now providing important support to

military and civilian staff they cover a portfolio of more than 50 projects delivering a broad range of services such as equipment buildings training and communications the department has developed commercial disciplines for scrutinising the value for money of its pfi procurements and has extended these into other projects while the mod allocates and manages many of the project risks effectively it does not always have the robust data necessary to understand the risks it is asking the private sector to bear in at least seven projects the decision to use pfi has been reversed overall the pfi projects surveyed took an average of 37 months to procure compared with the pfi average across government of 34 months and larger pfi projects with a capital value over 50 million took the mod an average of 45 months to procure this longer procurement time reflects the complexity and special requirements of the department s projects but there is scope for the department to improve the speed at which it closes larger deals it is seeking to do so through improvements to the oversight of its capital procurements the nao also highlight the risk that contractors may incorrectly report performance which would otherwise lead to payment deductions what is the private finance initiative what will pfi mean for me is this project me how to bid for a pfi project negotiating the contract delivering the service and generating the revenue long term issues lessons learned bibliography appendix the private finance initiative has been seen as a way of achieving the egan report s objective of better client value for money from construction

based projects this report presents the findings of a study set up to test the proposition that pfi will yield vfm value for money by stimulating innovation back cover this topical and timely book presents an innovative approach to dealing with the complexities of cost planning in pfi pfi ppp projects have a significantly different costing environment from conventionally procured projects requiring cost analysts to use their expertise and innovative thinking to develop whole life cost solutions that deliver value for money to the client thus improving public building assets performance abdelhalim boussabaine provides a thorough grounding in the theory of pfi from its early evolution through to examples of current projects in particular the rationale for private financing of public services arguments for and against pfi and value for money mechanisms are discussed the book presents an innovative framework for whole life value and calls for changes in the way whole life cycle value is perceived created and exchanged cost planning of pfi and ppp building projects provides the reader with existing knowledge as well as present innovative thinking for future development and management of pfi ppp cost planning processes given the importance and novelty of this book academics professionals undergraduate and postgraduate students will find this book valuable the department of health and the department for communities and local government the departments are responsible for sizeable portfolios of pfi projects covering hospitals and social housing by april 2009 there were 76

operational pfi hospitals in england and over 13 000 homes had been built or refurbished through pfi the letting of contracts and the responsibility for managing them is devolved to nhs trusts and local authorities the departments are responsible for overseeing their pfi programmes and reporting to the public and parliament on value for money the committee can find no clear and explicit justification and evaluation for the use of pfi in terms of its value for money in many cases local authorities and trusts chose the pfi route because the departments offered no realistic funding alternative other concerns are central government s failure to use the market leverage that comes from overseeing multiple contracts and the lack of robust central data to support effective programme management it is clear that the implementation of pfi projects could be improved many pfi housing procurements have taken very much longer and cost a great deal more than originally planned on hospitals most are receiving the services expected at the point contracts were signed and are generally being well managed there are however wide and unexplained variations in the cost of hospital support services such as cleaning catering and portering departments are not using their own buying power to leverage gains for the taxpayer this nao report forms part of a number of nao reports looking at pfi private finance initiative projects undertaken across the public sector pfis are contractual arrangements with private sector companies to design build finance and operate institutions such as schools and hospitals at

present there are over 500 operational projects throughout the uk with a combined capital of 44 billion it is also estimated that including future payments with many projects running up until 2031 32 capital will rise to 91 billion given the length of many of the contracts it is inevitable that operational changes to services will be required so it is important that pfi contracts have flexibility with built in value for money the report is divided into three parts with appendices the nao has set out a number of finding including that pfi deals are offering sufficient flexibility to the public sector that some projects achieve better value than others but that i higher value changes were not always competitively tendered ii for minor works there was little consistency in the methods used by the public sector iii that the cost of replacing items throughout the life of the contract was also inconsistently applied iv that contractors had often charged additional fees which were not specified in the original contract the nao recommendations include where there is a relevant contract clause competitive tendering should be undertaken for existing contract deals authorities employing contractors need to put in place consistent and robust means to validate the costs of small changes public authorities should explore with their private sector partners the feasibility of clarifying current contracts so they follow current best practice contract management should be properly resourced in order to manage the change process public sector authorities could improve value for money of operational changes by adopting a

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the home office or school this book constitutes revised selected papers from the thoroughly refereed proceedings of the third international human centered computing conference hcc 2017 that consolidated and further develops the successful icpca sws conferences on pervasive computing and the networked world and which was held in kazan russia in august 2017 the 48 full and 20 short papers presented in this book together with 2 invited keynotes were carefully reviewed and selected from numerous submissions this proceedings present recent advances in human machine interfaces wireless and mobile network technologies and data analytics which make computer services truly human centric this report analyses mod s annual report and accounts 2004 05 published in october 2005 later than planned as hc 464 session 2005 06 isbn 0102935424 which combines mod s annual performance report and the consolidated departmental resource accounts overall mod s performance against its seven public service agreement psa targets has been mixed three were met two were partly met one was on course to be met and one was not yet assessed on recruitment and retention partly met all three armed services are suffering from critical shortages in various specialist trades including aircrew and medical personnel although mod reported 400m of savings in the operating costs of the defence logistics organisation the committee criticizes the fact that not all of them could be validated on procurement mod did not meet the targets relating to project time slippage cost decreases of 699 million were

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revised insights into making project finance deals the second edition offers a balanced view of project financing by combining legal contractual scheduling and other subjects its emphasis on concepts and techniques makes it critical for those who want to succeed in financing large projects with extensive cross references and a comprehensive glossary the second edition presents anew a guide to the principles and practical issues that can commonly cause difficulties in commercial and financial negotiations provides a basic introduction to project finance and its relationship with other financing techniques describes and explains sources of project finance typical commercial contracts e g for construction of the project and sale of its product or services and their effects on project finance structures project finance risk assessment from the points of view of lenders investors and other project parties how lenders and investors evaluate the risks and returns on a project the rôle of the public sector in public private partnerships and other privately financed infrastructure projects how all these issues are dealt with in the financing agreements the increasing industrial demand for reliable quantification and management of uncertainty in product performance forces engineers to employ probabilistic models in analysis and design a fact that has occasioned considerable research and development activities in the field notes on stochastics eventually address the topic of computational stochastic mechanics the single volume uniquely presents tutorials on essential probabilistics and statistics recent finite

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Constructor's Key Guide to PFI 1998 what is the private finance initiative what will pfi mean for me is this project me how to bid for a pfi project negotiating the contract delivering the service and generating the revenue long term issues lessons learned bibliography appendix

The Role of Cost Saving and Innovation in PFI Projects

2000-06-02 the private finance initiative has been seen as a way

of achieving the egan report s objective of better client value for money from construction based projects this report presents the findings of a study set up to test the proposition that pfi will yield vfm value for money by stimulating innovation back cover

Cost Planning of PFI and PPP Building Projects 2013-04-03 this topical and timely book presents and innovative approach to dealing with the complexities of cost planning in pfi pfi ppp projects have a significantly different costing environment from conventionally procured projects requiring cost analysts to use their expertise and innovative thinking to develop whole life cost solutions that deliver value for money to the client thus improving public building assets performance abdelhalim boussabaine provides a thorough grounding in the theory of pfi from its early evolution through to examples of current projects in particular the rationale for private financing of public services arguments for and against pfi and value for money mechanisms are discussed the book presents an innovative framework for whole life value and calls for changes in the way whole life cycle value is perceived created and exchanged cost planning of pfi and ppp building projects provides the reader with existing knowledge as well as present innovative thinking for future development and management of pfi ppp cost planning processes given the importance and novelty of this book academics professionals undergraduate and postgraduate students will find this book valuable

PFI in housing and hospitals 2011-01-18 the department of health and the department for communities and local government the departments are responsible for sizeable portfolios of pfi projects covering hospitals and social housing by april 2009 there were 76 operational pfi hospitals in england and over 13 000 homes had been built or refurbished through pfi the letting of contracts and the responsibility for managing them is devolved to nhs trusts and local authorities the departments are responsible for overseeing their pfi programmes and reporting to the public and parliament on value for money the committee can find no clear and explicit justification and evaluation for the use of pfi in terms of its value for money in many cases local authorities and trusts chose the pfi route because the departments offered no realistic funding alternative other concerns are central government s failure to use the market leverage that comes from overseeing multiple contracts and the lack of robust central data to support effective programme management it is clear that the implementation of pfi projects could be improved many pfi housing procurements have taken very much longer and cost a great deal more than originally planned on hospitals most are receiving the services expected at the point contracts were signed and are generally being well managed there are however wide and unexplained variations in the cost of hospital support services such as cleaning catering and portering departments are not using their own buying power to leverage gains for the taxpayer

Making changes in operational PFI projects 2008-01-17 this nao report forms part of a number of nao reports looking at pfi private finance initiative projects undertaken across the public sector pfis are contractual arrangements with private sector companies to design build finance and operate institutions such as schools and hospitals at present there are over 500 operational projects throughout the uk with a combined capital of 44 billion it is also estimated that including future payments with many projects running up until 2031 32 capital will rise to 91 billion given the length of many of the contracts it is inevitable that operational changes to services will be required so it is important that pfi contracts have flexibility with built in value for money the report is divided into three parts with appendices the nao has set out a number of finding including that pfi deals are offering sufficient flexibility to the public sector that some projects achieve better value than others but that i higher value changes were not always competitively tendered ii for minor works there was little consistency in the methods used by the public sector iii that the cost of replacing items throughout the life of the contract was also inconsistently applied iv that contractors had often charged additional fees which were not specified in the original contract the nao recommendations include where there is a relevant contract clause competitive tendering should be undertaken for existing contract deals authorities employing contractors need to put in place consistent and robust means to validate the costs of small changes public

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Lessons from PFI and other projects 2011-09 there are legitimate concerns being expressed about the continuing financial cost of pfi for public organisations such as nhs trusts the committee believes that some of the government s case for using pfi has not been based on robust analysis but on ill founded comparisons and invalid assumptions the costs and benefits identified in business cases need to be revisited after contracts are signed and periodically thereafter to inform future procurement decisions in particular the committee s view is that the government should revisit the tax assumptions it builds into the cost and benefit case for pfi taxpayers could get a much better deal from pfi and the taxpayer s position is also made worse by poor transparency of investor and contract information alongside patchy public sector commercial skills the treasury and departments should make full use of existing contractual rights of access and further investor information to increase transparency and find ways for taxpayers to get a share of the

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Update on PFI Debt Refinancing and the PFI Equity Market

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computing and the networked world and which was held in
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presented in this book together with 2 invited keynotes were
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