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Innovation, sustainability, meeting KPI's and market development are all examples of added \_\_\_\_? - answerValue

\_\_\_\_ costs are not directly attributable to the end product or service - answerIndirect

Which of the following are recognised categories of expenditure within procurement: Direct, Indirect, Capital, Operational, Fixed, Variable - answerDirect, Indirect, Capital and Operational

The correct management style according to Mendelow for High Interest Low Power stakeholders is \_\_\_\_ - answerKeep informed

The correct management style according to Mendelow for High Interest High Power stakeholders is \_\_\_\_ - answerManage Closely

True or False: Total lifecycle costs and total cost of ownership are broadly the same - answerTrue

True or False: Organisational costs can be classified as Direct, Indirect, Fixed and Variable - answerTrue

True or False: There are eight rights procurement and supply - answerFalse, There are 5

True or False: Sustainability does not contribute towards added value - answerFalse

True or False: Overheads are stock procurements - answerFalse, overheads are usually intangible such as heating and mobile data

True or False: Procurement and purchasing are not the same thing - answerTrue

Value for money is only about price - answerFalse

True or False: Fixed assets to an organisation are usually capital purchases - answerTrue

True or False: Added value includes innovation from suppliers - answerTrue

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Topic	Details
Topic 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Public, private, charity, not-for-profit, manufacturing, retail, construction, financial, agriculture, and service sectors. It also covers analyzing the impact of the public sector on procurement and supply chain activities public sector objectives, regulations, competition, accountability, and value for money. It finally covers the impact of the private sector on procurement or supply chain activities.</li></ul>
Topic 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Understand and analyse the need for compliance: This section measures skills of compliance officers and sector-specific procurement managers in understanding different economic and industrial sectors such as</li></ul>

Topic 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand and analyse the key steps when procuring goods or services: This section measures that skills of purchasing managers and procurement officers in identifying and evaluating stages in the sourcing process, planning, supplier selection, and contract management.</li> </ul>
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### CIPS Scope and Influence of Procurement and Supply Sample Questions (Q29-Q34):

#### NEW QUESTION # 29

Provide a definition of a stakeholder (5 points) and describe 3 categories of stakeholders (20 points).

#### Answer:

Explanation:

See the solution in Explanation part below.

Explanation:

Essay Plan:

Definition of Stakeholder- someone who has a 'stake' or interest in the company. A person or organisation who influences and can be influenced by the company.

Categories of stakeholders:

1) Internal Stakeholders- these people work inside the company e.g. employees, managers etc

2) Connected- these people work with the company e.g. suppliers, mortgage lenders

3) External Stakeholders - these people are outside of the company e.g. the government, professional bodies, the local community.

Example Essay:

A stakeholder is an individual, group, or entity that has a vested interest or concern in the activities, decisions, or outcomes of an organization or project. Stakeholders are those who can be affected by or can affect the organization, and they play a crucial role in influencing its success, sustainability, and reputation.

Understanding and managing stakeholder relationships is a fundamental aspect of effective organizational governance and decision-making and there are several different types of stakeholders.

Firstly, internal stakeholders are those individuals or groups directly connected to the daily operations and management of the organization. Internal stakeholders are key to success and are arguably more vested in the company succeeding. They may depend on the company for their income / livelihood. Anyone who contributes to the company's internal functions can be considered an internal stakeholder for example:

This category includes

1) Employees: With a direct influence on the organization's success, employees are critical internal stakeholders. Their engagement, satisfaction, and productivity impact the overall performance.

2) Management and Executives: The leadership team has a significant influence on the organization's strategic direction and decision-making. Their decisions can shape the company's future.

Secondly, connected stakeholders are those individuals or groups whose interests are tied to the organization but may not be directly involved in its day-to-day operations. Connected stakeholders work alongside the organisation and often have a contractual relationship with the organisation. For example, banks, mortgage lenders, and suppliers. These stakeholders have an interest in the business succeeding, but not as much as internal stakeholders. It is important to keep these stakeholders satisfied as the organisation does depend on them to some extent. For example, it is important that the organisation has a good relationship with their bank / mortgage provider/ supplier as failing to pay what they owe may result in the stakeholders taking legal action against the organisation.

This category includes:

1) Shareholders/Investors: Holding financial stakes in the organization, shareholders seek a return on their investment and have a vested interest in the company's financial performance.

2) Suppliers and Partners: External entities providing goods, services, or collaboration. Their relationship with the organization impacts the quality and efficiency of its operations.

Lastly external stakeholders are entities outside the organization that can influence or be influenced by its actions. This category includes anyone who is affected by the company but who does not contribute to internal operations. They have less power to influence decisions than internal and connected stakeholders.

External stakeholders include the government, professional bodies, pressure groups and the local community.

They have quite diverse objectives and have varying ability to influence the organisation. For example, the government may be able to influence the organisation by passing legislation that regulates the industry but they do not have the power to get involved in the day-to-day affairs of the company. Pressure groups may have varying degrees of success in influencing the organisation depending on the subject matter. This category includes:

1) Customers: With a direct impact on the organization's revenue, customers are vital external stakeholders.

Their satisfaction and loyalty are crucial for the company's success.

2) Government and Regulatory Bodies: External entities overseeing industry regulations. Compliance with these regulations is crucial for the organization's reputation and legal standing.

In conclusion, stakeholders are diverse entities with a vested interest in an organization's activities. The three categories-internal, connected and external -encompass various groups that significantly influence and are influenced by the organization. Recognizing and addressing the needs and concerns of stakeholders are vital for sustainable and responsible business practices.

#### Tutor Notes

- The above essay is pretty short and to the point and would pass. If you want to beef out the essay you can include some of the following information for a higher score:

- Stakeholders can be harmed by, or benefit from the organisation (can affect and be affected by the organisation). For example a stakeholder can be harmed if the organisation becomes involved in illegal or immoral practices- e.g. the local community can suffer if the organisation begins to pollute the local rivers.

The local community can also benefit from the organisation through increased employment levels.

- CSR argues organisations should respect the rights of stakeholder groups

- Stakeholders are important because they may have direct or indirect influence on decisions

- The public sector has a wider and more complex range of stakeholders as they're managed on behalf of society as a whole.

They're more likely to take a range of stakeholder views into account when making decisions. However, these stakeholders are less powerful - i.e. they can't threaten market sanctions, to withdraw funding, or to quit the business etc.

- The essay doesn't specifically ask you to Map Stakeholders, but you could throw in a cheeky mention of Mendelow's Stakeholder Matrix, perhaps in the conclusion. Don't spend time describing it though- you won't get more than 1 point for mentioning it. You'd be better off spending your time giving lots and lots of examples of different types of stakeholders.

- Study guide p. 58

### NEW QUESTION # 30

Explain what is meant by Corporate Governance and why having Corporate Governance structures is important. Discuss 2 obstacles which may impede an organisation achieving high levels of Corporate Governance. (25 points)

#### Answer:

Explanation:

See the solution inExplanation partbelow.

Explanation:

- Firstly start with a definition of Corporate Governance - this means the rules, policies, processes and organisational structures that ensure an organisation adheres to accepted ethical standards, good practices, the law and regulations. It's the systems put in place which directs and controls organisations to do 'the right thing'.

- Then move on to discuss why having this is important - I'd maybe think of 3-4 examples here such as:

protects the interest of shareholders, reduces risk, moral obligations, legal obligations

- The last part of your essay should talk about the 2 obstacles - describe two from the following list: lack of executive support, poor stakeholder co-operation, lack of clarity and / or resources, having poor IT systems, lack of co-ordination of procurement responsibilities. Because you're only talking about 2 here, you'll need to go into detail about them. So pick 2 you know well. Don't be tempted to talk about more than 2. You won't get extra marks.

Example Essay:

Corporate governance refers to the system of rules, practices, processes, and structures by which a company is directed and controlled. It encompasses the relationships among a company's management, its board of directors, shareholders, and other stakeholders. The primary objective of corporate governance is to ensure that the company operates in an ethical, transparent, and accountable manner, safeguarding the interests of shareholders and promoting long-term value creation. Corporate governance can be defined internally (by shareholders/ managers) or externally (by governments and international standard-setting bodies such as ISO) and is important for all organisations. Corporate governance is needed because you can't assume everyone will act ethically- rules and procedures need to be written down and the organisation needs to have recourse for dealing with behaviour that falls

outside of what is accepted. Procurement's role in Corporate Governance includes control over finance and expenditure, ensuring the supply chain is 'clean' (i.e. not involved in unethical business practices such as child labour) and risk management.

Why having a corporate governance structure is important:

- 1) The procurement department has a 'stewardship' role - it controls large sums of organisation's funds. There are many opportunities to commit fraud, make unethical or biased decisions so it's important that there are corporate governance structures in place to prevent this. It protects the organisation from individuals with bad intent, scandal, and legal repercussions.
- 2) Strong Corporate Governance is required to successfully manage a supply chain. It's important to ensure good relationships-suppliers need to see you as a 'good customer'. If your organisation is seen to be unethical or underhand, suppliers may not want to work with you.
- 3) Financial impact - where corporate governance isn't implemented, there may be financial costs for the organisation. For example, in the Public Sector if a supplier successfully challenges a tender award, the buyer may have to award the value of the tender - so there's financial impact on a company if corporate governance isn't followed.

Obstacle 1 - lack of senior management support

Unless there is buy-in from the senior leadership team it will not be possible for departments such as Procurement to implement sound Corporate Governance procedures. Corporate Governance needs to be directed from the top of an organisation to ensure all departments and staff give importance to this. If Senior Leadership are seen not to care about implementing or following Corporate Governance, other staff won't care either. They need to lead by example to ensure the whole organisation 'buys into' the processes.

Obstacle 2 - Poor IT infrastructure.

For Corporate Governance to be effective, an effective IT system must be implemented. For example, to avoid fraud it's not just necessary to have a written anti-fraud policy, there must be ways of checking that fraud isn't being committed. The way to do this is to have an effective IT system which can flag anomaly payments and procurement activities outside of what is considered 'normal'. Therefore, having a poor IT infrastructure is a barrier to effective Corporate Governance.

In conclusion, corporate governance is essential for building trust among stakeholders and contributing to the overall success and sustainability of a company. Effective governance structures and practices instil confidence in investors, enhance the company's reputation, and foster a culture of responsibility and accountability throughout the organization. Good corporate governance is a cornerstone of sound business management and contributes to the long-term prosperity of the company.

Tutor Notes

- Corporate Governance became a big thing in the 70s and 80s following high profile scandals and the collapse of several companies. Investors were concerned about what companies were doing which led to increased control on the powers of directors and greater transparency of corporate actions.
- Examples of Corporate Governance. Enron is a good real life example you could use: Impact of Bad Corporate Governance - Corporate Fraud and Corruption: A Holistic Approach to Preventing Financial Crises (ebrary.net)
- This is a really good real-life example of Public Sector procurement gone wrong: Flawed nuclear tender sees £100m payout to firms - BBC News
- Adding in some real life examples will take your essay from a Merit result (50-70%) to a Distinction (70% +)
- Another way this topic can come up as a question is describing the elements of corporate governance, or asking what a procurement manager should do when corporate governance is broken/ not followed.
- LO 3.1 p.117

### NEW QUESTION # 31

Explain, with examples, the three different ways one can categorise procurement spend: direct vs indirect, capital expenditure vs operational expenditure and stock vs non-stock items. (25 points)

**Answer:**

Explanation:

See the solution in Explanation part below.

Explanation:

The knowledge to remember:

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Direct	Indirect
Incorporated into goods; raw materials, components and WIP	ancillary item; MRO supplies
effects customer satisfaction and reputation	no effect on customer satisfaction
relationship with supplier is collaborative and long-term	relationship is one off, transactional
objective = continuity of supply	objective = take advantage of promotions
carried out by procurement - high risk	may be carried out by end user - low risk
In Accounting included as 'cost of goods sold'	considered an overhead
Part of Porter's Value Chain	Support Activities of the business

Operational Expenditure	Capital Expenditure
day-to-day costs - consider 5 Rights	one off cost- consider TCO and buy vs lease
Spec more conformance	Spec more performance
regular purchasing	one off purchase
supplier relationships more important- bulk buying, collaborative	supplier relationships not important as one off - transactional
item could fall anywhere on Kraljic matrix	item is strategic- high value and high risk (Kraljic)
Supply chain risks are great	less supply chain risk
may have preferred supplier list	use full tender to procure
doesn't require justification to purchase as core requirement for business to function	may require justification for purchasing; feasibility study, business case, work out payback period etc

Stock	Non-Stock
Buy to put in inventory	Buy to use straight away
Retail	Lean Manufacturing / JIT
Stock to forecasting - order sunglasses in Feb to sell in Summer	Stock to order - ordered when required e.g., in Construction - items incorporated straight away
Has stock holding costs	Use Economic Order Quantities to minimise stock holding costs
Risks if item becomes obsolete (perishable)	Risks if order quantity isn't correct or issues with supply chain

### Essay Plan :

Remember to include examples for each of the six categories of spend. This is specifically asked for in the question so it's important to include as many examples as you can. To do this you could take an example organisation such as a cake manufacturer and explain which of their purchases would fall into each category and why.

Introduction - explain why procurement categorises spend

- Direct - these are items that are incorporated into the final goods (the cakes) so would include raw materials such as flour, eggs, sugar etc
- Indirect - these are items that the company needs, but don't go into the end product. For example, cleaning products and MRO supplies for the machines
- Capital Expenditure- these are large one-off purchases, such as buying a new piece of equipment such as a giant oven to cook the cakes.
- Operational Expenditure - these are purchases that are required to ensure the business can function day-to- day. They may include PPE for the workers in the factory and cleaning equipment
- Stock items - these are items procured in advance and held in inventory until they are needed. In a cake manufacturing factory this could be PPE for staff such as hairnets and gloves. The organisation will buy these in bulk and keep them in a stock cupboard, using these as and when they are required
- Non- stock items - items that are not stored and used right away. An example would be eggs- these will need to be put directly into the cakes as they would go off if bought in advance.

Conclusion - the categories are not mutually exclusive - an item can be direct and operational, or indirect and stock. Different companies may use different systems to classify items of spend.

Example Introduction and Conclusion

Introduction

Procurement categorizes spend to efficiently manage resources and make strategic decisions. Three primary ways of categorizing procurement spend include distinguishing between direct and indirect spend, classifying expenditures as capital or operational, and categorizing items as stock or non-stock. These distinctions aid organizations in optimizing their procurement strategies for better resource allocation.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, categorizing procurement spend into direct vs. indirect, capital vs. operational, and stock vs. non-stock items is essential for strategic resource management. While these categories provide a structured framework, they are not mutually exclusive, as an item can fall into multiple categories. For example, an item may be both direct and operational or indirect and stock. The flexibility of these categories allows organizations to tailor their procurement strategies based on their specific needs, ensuring efficient resource allocation and effective supply chain management. Different companies may adopt varying categorization approaches depending on their industry, size, and operational requirements.

Tutor notes:

- Because you've got 6 categories of spend to talk about you're only going to need 3-4 sentences for each.
- Providing you've said the category, explained what it is and given one example, you'll absolutely fly through this type of question
- You could also mention that it is useful to use categories of spend as this helps with budgeting. Different categories may also have different processes to follow for procuring the item (this could form part of your introduction or conclusion).
- This subject is LO 1.3.2 it's quite spread out in the text book but the main info is on p.49

- Note- different companies/ industries classify items of spend differently. Particularly packaging and salaries. Some say they're direct costs and some say they're indirect costs. Honestly, it's a hotly debated subject and I don't think there is a right or wrong. I'd just avoid those two examples if you can and stick to ones that aren't as contentious like eggs and PPE.

## NEW QUESTION # 32

Discuss the importance and role of an organisation's branding in procurement and supply operations (25 marks)

### Answer:

Explanation:

See the solution inExplanation partbelow.

Explanation:

How to approach the question

- This is a very open question so your essay could discuss

o the functions of a brand; e.g. advertising, marketing, creating trust, identity o What is effective branding? Strong image, convincing people to purchase, shared values with customers, offering a solution to a problem

o The impact for procurement and supply chain isn't explained in the study guide so tailor this however you like. The best thing to do would be to think about some companies where branding is important, such as luxury goods, cars, or the brand is synonymous with a particular aspect such as Apple being associated with innovative technology. From there you could argue the importance of selecting the right suppliers to work with in order to keep up the brand image. Another example could be an ethical company needing to ensure their supply chain is 'clean', so as not to damage their branding. Possibilities are endless with this one.

Example Essay

In the contemporary business landscape, the significance of branding extends far beyond marketing and consumer perception. In procurement and supply operations, an organization's brand plays a pivotal role in shaping relationships with suppliers, determining the quality of goods and services that are procured, and influencing overall supply chain efficiency. This essay delves into the importance of branding in procurement and supply, exploring how a strong brand image can drive competitive advantage, foster trust and collaboration, and impact an organization's bottom line.

Building Competitive Advantage Through Brand Reputation:

The reputation of an organization's brand is a key determinant in attracting and retaining high-quality suppliers. A strong brand often correlates with financial stability, market presence, and business ethics, making such organizations more appealing to work with. This advantage is critical in procurement as it can lead to preferential treatment, such as priority access to scarce resources, better payment terms, and opportunities to collaborate on innovative products. For example, a well-regarded technology company might receive earlyaccess to cutting-edge components from suppliers eager to be associated with a market leader.

Enhancing Supplier Relationships and Negotiations:

Branding extends into the realms of trust and reliability, essential components in building long-term relationships with suppliers. A well-respected brand often implies a history of fair dealings, prompt payments, and mutual respect, which can make suppliers more willing to negotiate favourable terms. This trust can be particularly vital in times of supply chain disruptions or market volatility.

Suppliers are more likely to extend credit or expedite orders for trusted partners, which can be invaluable for maintaining uninterrupted operations.

Influencing Quality and Sustainability Standards:

An organization's brand also communicates its commitment to quality and sustainability, which are increasingly crucial in procurement decisions. Suppliers aligning with brands that emphasize high-quality standards are often more diligent in maintaining these standards in their products and services. Additionally, a strong brand committed to sustainability can drive supply chain practices that align with environmental and social governance (ESG) principles. This commitment can lead to long-term cost savings, risk mitigation, and enhanced brand loyalty among environmentally conscious consumers.

Brand Image and Consumer Perception:

The procurement function directly impacts the final product quality, which in turn affects consumer perception of the brand. An organization's ability to procure high-quality, ethically sourced materials can significantly enhance its brand image and appeal to a broader customer base. For instance, a fashion brand's commitment to ethical sourcing and procurement of sustainable materials can bolster its image as an environmentally responsible brand, appealing to a growing demographic of eco-conscious consumers. The reverse is also true, brands associated with child or forced labour where this is found to be in their supply chains can suffer from loss of customers, revenue and reputation as well as potentially even legal consequences.

Internal Branding and Employee Engagement in Procurement:

Internal branding, the way an organization's values and culture are perceived by its employees, plays a crucial role in procurement. Employees who are proud of their organization's brand are more likely to engage deeply with their work, leading to better performance in procurement roles. This engagement can result in more innovative procurement strategies, improved vendor management, and a greater focus on aligning procurement practices with the organization's overall strategic goals.

Conclusion:

The role of an organization's branding in procurement and supply operations is deeply impactful. A strong brand can create competitive advantages, foster better supplier relationships, influence quality and sustainability standards, enhance consumer

perception, and drive employee engagement. In the modern business world, where supply chains are complex and consumer expectations are high, branding is not just a marketing tool but a strategic asset in procurement and supply operations. Organizations that recognize and leverage the power of their brand within these operations are poised to achieve greater efficiency, sustainability, and overall success.

#### Tutor Notes

- This is a really random section of the study guide and doesn't really relate to the rest of the content. Branding comes up on p.226 - 228. It therefore can come up as a question, but because it's such a small part of the syllabus, don't focus too much effort on this subject.
- If you remember one line from this topic it's this: "branding is not just a marketing tool but a strategic asset in procurement and supply operations"
- This type of question could come up as a scenario / case study. E.g. How does the branding of X Company impact upon their supply chain.

### NEW QUESTION # 33

What is meant by the 'Third Sector'? Describe the sector (10 points) and explain the main objectives of organisations who operate in this sector (15 points).

#### Answer:

Explanation:

See the solution inExplanation partbelow.

Explanation:

How to approach this question

- Description of the 'third sector' - the part of an economy comprising non-governmental and non-profit-making organisations including charities, voluntary and community groups, and cooperatives.

These organisations reinvest surplus profits back into the enterprise to further their objectives. This is worth 10 points so should be a good 2-3 paragraphs, with examples.

- Main objectives - these could include engaging with stakeholders, social or environmental aims, education, providing a service to the community, stewardship role. There's more points for this question so you should have more content here.

#### Example Essay

The 'Third Sector' refers to a segment of the economy distinct from the public (government) sector and the private (for-profit) sector. It encompasses a diverse range of non-governmental organizations (NGOs), charities, foundations, social enterprises, cooperatives, and other non-profit entities. These organizations are primarily driven by social, environmental, cultural, or community objectives rather than the pursuit of profit.

They often operate based on values such as democracy, equality, and social justice. The Third Sector plays a crucial role in providing services, advocating for social causes, and filling gaps left by the public and private sectors.

The third sector is often called the 'not-for profit' sector. It's distinguished from the private sector in that the main aim isn't to make money for money's sake. The main aim is to generate money to reinvest back into the organisation so that the organisation can achieve the purpose it was set up for. Whereas the private sector may exist solely to make money, the third sector has a 'higher aim'. Organisations operate in a very narrow marketplace. They may be the only provider in that marketplace. For example the RNLI is the only operator of lifeboats and the only organisation that sets out to save lives at sea- there is no 'competitor'.

3rd Sector Organisations have multiple sources of income; e.g. subscriptions or donations, or from donated goods that they then sell on (such as Oxfam shops), fundraising activities or selling merchandise. The sector also has a wide range of stakeholders.

The third sector is subject to same regulations as private and public companies but also has its own regulations imposed by the Charities Commission. This is a statutory regulation body which checks charities are run for public benefit and not private advantage, ensures charities are independent, and sets out to remedy serious mismanagement. They can audit, offer advice and investigate complaints. Therefore the sector is highly regulated.

Organisations in this sector have a huge range of objectives depending on why they were set up. These can be very specific, for example: charities such as Cancer Research (objective- find a cure for cancer), Museums (objective- educate the public), CIPS (objective - provide professional services to a particular industry), trade unions (objective- defend the rights of workers), pressure groups (objective- change laws and practices they morally disagree with).

However organisations in this sector do have overarching objectives in common.

1. Survival - Generating Enough Money to Continue Operations: Survival is a fundamental objective for Third Sector organizations. Unlike for-profit entities, these organizations do not aim to generate profits for shareholders but need sufficient funding to sustain their operations. This funding often comes from donations, grants, fundraising activities, and sometimes income from services provided. The challenge lies in balancing the mission with the need for financial stability, ensuring that the organization can continue to serve its community and pursue its goals over the long term. Financial sustainability is crucial, particularly in a sector where funding sources can be uncertain and competition for donations is high.

2. Creating Awareness of Their Cause: Raising awareness is vital for Third Sector organizations, as it helps to educate the public,

garner support, attract volunteers, and drive fundraising efforts. Awareness campaigns are essential in highlighting the issues these organizations address, whether it's health, environmental conservation, social justice, or cultural preservation. Effective communication strategies, including the use of social media, public events, and collaborations, are employed to reach a wider audience. The more people know about a cause, the more likely they are to support it, either through donations, volunteering, or advocacy.

3. Compliance with Regulations and the Charities Commission: Compliance with legal and regulatory requirements is a critical objective. In many countries, including the UK, Third Sector organizations are regulated by bodies like the Charities Commission. These organizations must adhere to specific legal standards, including financial transparency, governance practices, and ethical guidelines. Compliance ensures credibility and trustworthiness, which are essential for maintaining public confidence and the continued support of donors and volunteers. It also ensures that the organization operates within the law, avoiding legal issues that could jeopardize its mission.

4. Providing a Service to the Community: The core of a Third Sector organization's mission is to provide services or benefits to the community. These organizations often address needs that are unmet by the private or public sectors, focusing on improving the quality of life for certain populations or addressing specific societal issues. This objective can take many forms, from offering direct services like healthcare and education to advocating for policy changes that benefit underserved communities. The impact of these services on the community can be profound, often bringing about significant social change.

5. Fulfilling a 'Gap in the Market': Many Third Sector organizations exist to fill gaps in services not provided by the public or private sectors. A classic example is the provision of air ambulance services in the UK. While the government provides comprehensive healthcare services, there's a gap in the rapid transportation of critically ill patients, which is filled by charities operating air ambulances. These organizations identify specific needs that are not adequately addressed and work to meet them, often innovating in the process. By fulfilling these gaps, they play a crucial role in complementing existing services and enhancing the overall welfare of society.

In conclusion, Third Sector organizations operate with a unique set of objectives that distinguish them from other sectors. Their focus on survival, awareness-raising, compliance, community service, and filling market gaps is essential not only for their existence but also for the significant societal impact they make. These objectives align with the overarching mission of the Third Sector to contribute positively to society, addressing needs and issues often overlooked by other sectors.

## Tutor Notes:

- A strong essay will use real life examples of organisations in the third sector and their objectives. I've mentioned a couple above such as Cancer Research UK: Our strategy to beat cancer | Cancer Research UK and North West Air Ambulance Charity: Home | North West Air Ambulance Charity (nwairambulance.org.uk) but pick charities you know well.

- LO 4.4. P.230

## NEW QUESTION # 34

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