



Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012

Social Value – What does it mean?

- Consider at pre procurement stage how procurement could improve the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the relevant area
- No definition of Social Value
- No longer just about lowest cost
- Public services and government spend
- Additional benefits for your school community

What does it mean for Schools?

The best of both worlds!

When you are procuring, you can ask the supplier for additional benefits, in addition to what is in the scope of the core contract.

You can receive Social Value from other contracts.

What sort of things are classed as SV?

During a Procurement exercise – think about what your school community would ask a supplier for?

- Educational Resources – worksheets, quizzes, Talks
- Materials – pens, books, laptops
- Help building a Biodiversity project
- Volunteering, independent school governor, careers advice, interview techniques

Social Value in Recent School projects

- **Greswold School Cleaning Contract – included a tender question on Social Value in line with the school values**

Supplier tendered committing to support local charities making a £25.00 donation to Myton Hospices for every successful new client sign up . The supplier has a monthly budget set aside for ad hoc support for any approach from a worthwhile cause which in the last year have included Molly Olly's Wishes, Costello Kids and a number of the local Easter time and Christmas Santa appeals. In the education sector the supplier works with Western Provident Association to deliver grants of up to £2,500 through their own benevolent fund for schools that require funding for activities that promote sport/leisure health and wellbeing for example, new sport equipment, a vegetable garden or play area. They have recently introduced Greswold Primary School to WPA to support the activities of the Parent Teachers Association in fund raising for a new play area

Social Value in Services to Schools

- Food contract by Brake Bros (Brakes) to SMBC school kitchens operated by Solihull Catering Service (SCS)
- Over £500,000 of Social Value is contracted to be delivered over contract lifetime. This will be need to be measured and reported by the supplier
- Supplier is committed to support employing local people as part of this contract and supporting unemployed people and particularly young people(under 24) back into work
- School and college visits – includes Nutritionalists, CV support for life skills
- Spending money with local suppliers to support the local economy
- Their contracts in terms of £ with local SMEs
- Hrs supporting voluntary community projects
- CO2 savings on waste management
- Car Miles reduced ; Low or no emission vehicles used

