

Local Strategic Partnership (Resource Optimisation MPA)

Procurement and Social Value Network Meeting AGENDA

19th February 2020

Ealing Council Office, Perceval House 14-16 Uxbridge Road, Ealing W5 2HL 10.00am – 12.00pm, Room M5.12 (5th Floor)

Time	Item		Leading	Comments (Attachments – bold)	Purpose
10.00	ı	Welcome and Apologies	Andrew Dakers Chair of Ealing Business Partnership	 Purpose of the meeting LSP Resource Optimisation MPA background 	For information
10.05	2	Partner introductions; outline current approaches	All partners	Written and verbal updates (2-3 slides prepared in advance)	For information
10.35	3	Wider Landscape	All partners	I.Community wealth building, local procurement and the law 2.Issues for SMEs: insurance? 3.Issues for procurement teams: enforcement/ monitoring of contractual obligations? (Locking CO2 reduction expectations into contracts) 4. Social and environmental value (standards / best practice /what's out there?)	Discussion
11.10	4	LSP partners Contracts pipeline	All partners	Visibility of opportunities / collaborations?	For information
11.30	5	Engaging responsible, local SMEs	All partners	How do we engage? What needs to change?	Discussion
11.40	6	Next steps/ opportunities	All Partners	 Feasibility of Procurement and Social Value Network Meetings? Remit / Terms of Reference? Frequency of meeting? 	For information and discussion
11.50	7	Final comments, next meeting and close	Andrew Dakers		



Attendance / Invitation List:

Board Member	Title / Contact	Organisation	Attended / Apologies
Andrew Dakers	Chair of Ealing Business Partnership /Procurement and Social Value Lead for LSP Resource Optimisation MPA Andrew.Dakers@westlondon.com	West London Business (WLB)	Attended
Henry Swan	Interim Head of Commercial Hub swanh@ealing.gov.uk	London Borough of Ealing	Attended
Darren Sullivan	Category Lead Corporate Commercial Hub sullivand@ealing.gov.uk	London Borough of Ealing	Apologies received
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Robert Henaghan	Senior Procurement Manager Robert.Henaghan@britishland.com	British Lands / MakeitEaling	Apologies received
Gurpreet Rana	Senior Manager gurpreet@ealingcvs.org.uk	Ealing CVS	Apologies received
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Phil Scott	Head of Procurement Phil.scott@uwl.ac.uk	University of West London	Apologies received
Anil Nagpal	Chief Operating Officer A.Nagpal@wlc.ac.uk	West London College	Attended
Carol Sam	Regeneration Manager SamC@ealing.gov.uk	London Borough of Ealing	Apologies received
Anthony Lewis	Head of Strategy and Engagement LewisAnt@ealing.gov.uk	London Borough of Ealing	Apologies received
Mohammed Ahmed	Policy Officer and Secretariat to LSP AhmedMo@ealing.gov.uk	London Borough of Ealing	Attended



West London Business

Andrew Dakers, CEO



Current approach to environmental/social value procurement

- Just getting started
 - Micro social enterprise 8 staff
 - £500k turnover per annum



Carbon CO2de

- Policies and procedures
 - Focus on Sustainability criteria in Events venues procurement; highest area of spend after payroll
 - As a membership organisation focussing on our role in supporting members and partners transition to sustainable procurement practices – UN SDG alignment



Challenges

Internal

- Developing practices at suitable scale for micro-enterprise
- Knowing what environmental/ social standards to seek in different parts of our supply chain (see 'Opportunities')
- Capacity building in staff teamand suppliers

External

- Many organisations in West London (public and private) trying to navigate complex transition from policy to practice
- Fragmentation of standards landscape
- Fragmentation of procurement portals for SMEs to identify opportunities



Opportunities

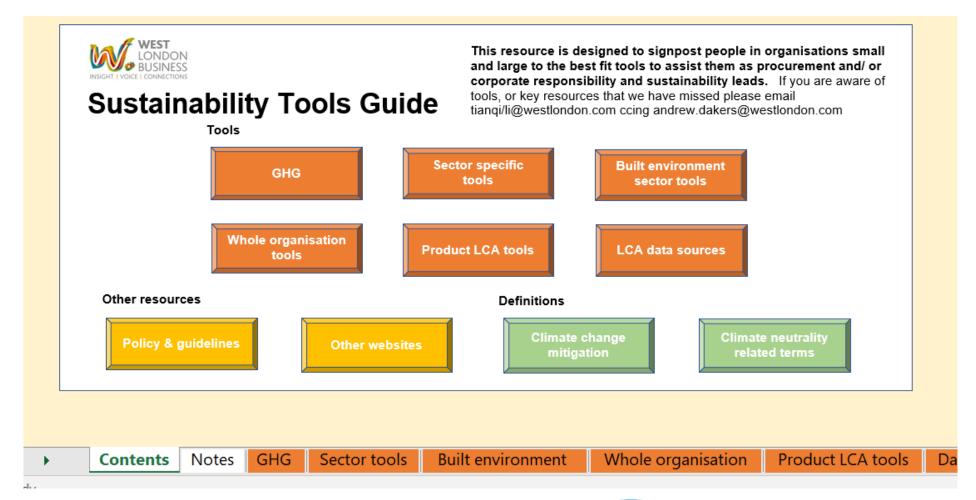
- Greta Thunberg effect 'Climate emergency' now centre stage for many organisations stakeholders: customers, banks, investors, staff....
- Sustainability expertise in West London
 Business that we are trying to 'package up'
 and share
- Pockets of best practice from which we can learn (see opposite)







Opportunities



London Borough of Ealing Social Value



What is your current approach to environmental/social value procurement?

Currently no common approach, three possible approaches

- Write social value requirements into specification with clear KPIs and service credits
- Ask supplier to give you social value free choice (do not evaluate, but do include in contract)
- Ask supplier to give you social value free choice and evaluate using TOMs or own tool showing clearly how evaluation will be carried out

What are the current Challenges?

- No single point of responsibility
- Awareness
- Balance of cost v benefits of social value
- Contract management to ensure social value agreed is delivered

What Opportunities have you identified?

All tenders should consider social value and with early input at both commissioning and procurement planning stages, social value can be incorporated into contracts



West London College

Anil Nagpal, Chief Operating Officer



Current approach to environmental/social value procurement

- We are working on this journey, ongoing development
- Where possible we use frameworks for our purchasing such as Crown commercial services and Crescent Purchasing Consortium; prequalify suppliers to ensure that they are both legally compliant and demonstrate behaviours that endorse economic, environmental and social changes
- With our existing contracts we work with our suppliers to collaborate
- Our internal Policies and procedures reflect our position; but subject to ongoing review
- Any tender or quotation documents request our suppliers' compliance



Challenges

- Our greatest challenge are potential cost implications; although many changes can be made at little or no cost
- There are potentially some legal implications but adjustments on evaluation criteria can help mitigate this
- Some of our existing suppliers may need our help and expertise in this area to comply to our requirements
- We have a responsibility to work with our suppliers and stakeholders with a strategic partnership approach



Opportunities

- There is potential for collaborative approaches with other local colleges and government bodies as long as there are no conflicts of interest
- Common approaches locally even if not direct procurement can be based around shared practices and experiences
- There is definitely positive marketing that can be made on publicity of achievements
- Potentially this could contribute to students decisions to enrol and stay with WLC and within the community



University of West London

Phil Scott, Head of Procurement



Current approach to environmental/social value procurement

- Just getting started
 - High turnover in procurement staff
- Policies and procedures:
 - Sustainability criteria added to procurement policy
 - Criteria added to tender
 - Working with sustainability representative on sustainable procurement policy



Challenges

- Internal sponsorship
- Potential cost implications
- It is no ones priority as individual teams focus on quality, delivery and cost
- Consistency of questions to ask Potentially a bank of questions which could be used as appropriate



Opportunities

- Reputational Potential students care about social value
- HE organisations report on Value for Money for students and taxpayer to Office for Students - social value opportunities could feed into this



Current approach

- Delivering Social Value through our Joint Ventures (Pyramid Plus London & South)
- Trialled Social Value scores and commitment with procurement of our Internal Audit and Tax contracts
- Building into tendering exercise for Environmental Services contracts
- Positives:
 - Current contractors and soft market testing are keen to be on board and compete positively on SV
 - Ability to achieve more of our social and environmental outcomes through our spending power
 - Measurable success and outcomes that align with our objectives
- Challenges:
 - Level of awareness amongst contractors varies significantly some want prescriptive offer to sign up to, others keen to be innovative
- Opportunities:
 - To boost the work of our Community Investment offer;
 - Extending our strong environmental and social offer across to our contracts



Example: Pyramid Plus

Common objectives: Apprenticeships & Community Impact

- Apprenticeship programme that helps PP recruit the talent they need to grow
- Extending our good practice to our contractor
- Promote these opportunities specifically to our tenants
- Excellent retention rate of staff
- BIG Impact Days
- Now integrated as part of our Great Places to Live programme
- Christmas gift project
- Better reputation for both parties
- Closer connectivity to residents

