

**South Ayrshire
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Local Procurement Policy Statement



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As part of our commitment to Make the Most of the Local Economy, South Ayrshire Council will support local businesses to develop and grow.

We are committed to procuring goods, services and works which are sustainable, ethical, and responsibly sourced.

The Council will increase the value of its procurement spend to local businesses.

<https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/council-plans/>



Buy Local

Where possible we will ensure procurement activity supports the ordering of goods, services and works from local suppliers.

- We will ensure our teams are appropriately trained on local sourcing regulations
- Where possible, and in accordance with procurement legislation, we will purchase locally
- Through early consideration and engagement, contracts of all values will be actively promoted to local businesses.

Work with local businesses

We will actively promote procurement to local businesses to support the local economy

- Working with our local and national bodies such as the Supplier Development Programme, we will provide support to local businesses to ensure they are prepared to bid for public sector contracts
- We will work with suppliers to make sure they are aware of national opportunities to join Framework Agreements and Dynamic Purchasing Systems
- We will prioritise support to businesses based in South Ayrshire
- We will actively promote www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk to our local businesses to ensure they are aware of procurement opportunities
- We will actively facilitate the involvement of SMEs, third sector bodies and supported businesses in our procurement processes



Collaboration

We will work with our neighbouring authorities to support Community Wealth Building

- We will share best practice procurement with others and learn from their challenges and successes
- We will be active members of the Community Wealth Building Commission and lead on the Procurement workstream to harness the potential of procurement to support economic growth
- We will manage our contracts effectively and work with others to promote innovation.

Social Value

We will build on established practices on sustainability and fair working practices in contracts.

- Where proportionate, we will go beyond current procurement regulations and include a request for suppliers of contracts over £50,000 to endeavor to provide voluntary community benefits in South Ayrshire
- Through our contracts, we will adopt fair working practices for those engaged in delivering public contracts to help create a fairer and a more equal society
- As a Living Wage accredited employer, we will require suppliers to adopt policies which demonstrate how they adopt fair work practices for all workers engaged in delivering the contract.

Green Recovery

We will ensure our procurement drives innovation and sustainability

- Before we procure we will consider how the contract can improve the social, environmental and economic wellbeing of South Ayrshire
- We will consider the total cost of ownership as part of our procurement decision making processes
- We will further improve and develop the use of the Sustainable Public Procurement Prioritisation Tool through training opportunities and use of practical guidance to support climate targets, green recovery and the circular economy
- We will make the direct link between our contracts and to the achievement of our targets to a low and net zero carbon Council, such as, electric vehicles, circular economy, renewable energy and energy storage
- Where ethically traded goods or services are available, the Council will work with relevant stakeholders and take a Best Value approach when promoting Fairtrade products and applying fair and ethically trading principles in procurement activities.

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