

## Scotland Excel Joint Committee

**To: Joint Committee**

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**Report  
by  
Director Scotland Excel**

### Community Benefits Update

#### 1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the community benefits facilitated and delivered from the Scotland Excel portfolio of frameworks agreements.

The requirement to include community benefits in the delivery of goods and services is an integral element within Scotland Excel frameworks. Community benefits are reviewed with suppliers at contract management review meetings and reported to local authority procurement managers at the quarterly business review meetings. Additionally, the system used to capture and record Community Benefits has been reviewed and updated to address the requirements of the statutory guidance made under the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, and to further support the drive to deliver sustainable procurement.

This report updates members on the Community Benefits return for the period to 31 March 2017.

#### 2 Summary

Twice yearly in conjunction with the standard Management Information gathering process suppliers now complete a comprehensive Community Benefits template. This provides a clearer picture of the type (Employment, Apprenticeship, Training etc), and classification (Social, Economic, Environmental) of the Community Benefit delivered. It also allows suppliers, where necessary, to apportion the extent to which any shared Community Benefit is derived from Scotland Excel Frameworks.

Table 1 shows a summary of the social value added across the portfolio since the revised community Benefit collection process was implemented. The figures for 2016/17 are now the complete return for the full financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	Total
No of Apprentices	9	92	49	18	168
No of New Jobs	78	43	29	53	203
No of Work Placements	0	5	6	17	28
Hours of Volunteering & Mentoring	95	377	1279	1570	3321
Hours of Works Experience	5305	28214	16734	7852	58105
Value of Other Community Benefits	£2,474	£16,550	£46,140	£87,814	£152,978

*Table 1: Summary of social value added across the collaborative portfolio*

The successful delivery of the Domestic Furniture and Fittings framework was significant factor in the number of new jobs and apprenticeships created since 2013/14. Whilst this may have resulted in a peak, in terms of new jobs and apprentices, the overall social benefits being returned is extremely positive. A notable and innovative example that falls within the category “Value of Other Community Benefits” is the creation of a fund for local initiatives. The fund is based on a rebate proposal from a supplier on our Electrical Materials Framework and the total value that Councils can now access is c£20,000.

In addition to the Social Benefits outlined in this report it should also be noted that relevant data for Environmental Benefits, including the volume and weight of recycled material, is captured by contract managers as part of routine contract management activity. This data is included in the business reviews held with each corporate procurement function on an on-going basis. Similarly, Workforce matters including the Living Wage status are monitored, reported and managed on a contract by contract basis.

### **3 Next Steps**

The next Community Benefits data collection, analysis and review cycle will be completed in line with Management information process to cover the period through to the end of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The results will be reviewed with the supply base and where appropriate will be incorporated into supplier performance objectives.

### **4 Conclusion**

Committee members are requested to note the content of this report, and support the measures proposed to monitor delivery of community benefits for the 2017/18 financial year.

## Appendix 1 Community Benefits by Council

	Number of Apprenticeships	Number of New jobs	Number of Work Placements (adults)	Hours of Volunteering & Mentoring	Hours of Works Experience (school-aged students)	Other Community Benefits - Sponsorship, Donations
Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire	1					
Aberdeen City	1	7		2030	1676	£12,527
Aberdeenshire	1	1		10	960	£4,945
Angus	2		1		52	£2,363
Angus / Dundee						£0
Argyll & Bute	1			140		£5
Clackmannanshire						£183
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar						£317
Dumfries & Galloway	6					£145
Dundee	1	3			44	£1,022
East Ayrshire	2	3		88		£609
East Dunbartonshire	3			82		£20
East Lothian	1	0			44	£212
East Renfrewshire						£150
Edinburgh	24	6	3	126	2254	£6,027
Falkirk	3	6		144	1376	£5,955
Fife		1	2		1763	£4,608
Glasgow	11	11	1	8	2792	£15,226
Highland	3	8		52	8	£1,150
Inverclyde	4				44	£3
Midlothian	1					£1,958
Moray	1	1		100	1128	£2,675
North Ayrshire	6	12		120	3047	£2,784
North Lanarkshire	18	14	10		4729	£2,421
North Lanarkshire/ Renfrewshire	1					
Orkney	1				8	£5
Perth & Kinross	2	3	2	48	44	£3,470
Renfrewshire	4	3			154	£6,830
Scottish Borders	1				641	£508
Shetland						£528
South Ayrshire	2	1	0	105	1239	£1,326
South Lanarkshire	22	66		99	15455	£3,258
Stirling	1					£866
Tayside contracts						£400
Various						£0
West Dunbartonshire	1				78	£1,562
West Lothian	5	35	5	169	724	£5,748
Central Region	15				11590	
East Region						
North Region	11	9			4560	
Outside Scotland	1	1	2		3217	£12,159
Scotland Wide	4					£39,762
West Region	9				480	
Unassigned		9	1			£11,250