**An Introduction to Social Value Activity in Sunderland**

Social Value is defined through the Public Services (Social Value) Act (2013) which requires all public sector organisations and their suppliers to look beyond the financial cost of a contract to consider how the services they commission and procure can **improve the economic, social and environmental wellbeing of an area**.

When Sunderland Council procure construction providers to deliver new buildings, in addition to receiving a completed building, that development may also have created new jobs, provided work experience opportunities, delivered site visits for local schools, operated/participated in careers fayres, encouraged girls and young women to consider a career in construction; amongst many other benefits.

At the present time Sunderland has an unprecedented amount of construction activity taking place via procured contracts.

To help familiarise people with these new developments there are a range of websites which can be accessed to help bring these to life for both teachers and students. Useful links to these sites are below: -

Riverside Sunderland

<https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=d976e68ca47f4f56JmltdHM9MTcyMzQyMDgwMCZpZ3VpZD0zNTM3ZmM1OC04MmE1LTYzN2EtMDMzOS1lODkwODMzMjYyMDcmaW5zaWQ9NTIyMA&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=3537fc58-82a5-637a-0339-e89083326207&psq=riverside+sunderland+website&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cucml2ZXJzaWRlc3VuZGVybGFuZC5jb20v&ntb=1>

Culture House

<https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=930d2b39176b6382JmltdHM9MTcyMzQyMDgwMCZpZ3VpZD0zNTM3ZmM1OC04MmE1LTYzN2EtMDMzOS1lODkwODMzMjYyMDcmaW5zaWQ9NTI5MA&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=3537fc58-82a5-637a-0339-e89083326207&psq=culture+house+sundelrand+website&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc3VuZGVybGFuZC5nb3YudWsvYXJ0aWNsZS8xODgzNi9MZXQtcy1UYWxrLUN1bHR1cmUtSG91c2U&ntb=1>

Eye Infirmary

<https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=d3602f75be79e545JmltdHM9MTcyMzQyMDgwMCZpZ3VpZD0zNTM3ZmM1OC04MmE1LTYzN2EtMDMzOS1lODkwODMzMjYyMDcmaW5zaWQ9NTIwNw&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=3537fc58-82a5-637a-0339-e89083326207&psq=new+eye+infirmary+sunderland+website&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuc3RzZnQubmhzLnVrL25ld2V5ZWhvc3BpdGFsL25ld3MtYW5kLW1lZGlhL2xhdGVzdC1uZXdzL3BsYW5zLXVudmVpbGVkLW5ldy0zNi1taWxsaW9uLWV5ZS1ob3NwaXRhbC1zdW5kZXJsYW5k&ntb=1>

Giga Factory

<https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=2c68c20cfa6faa88JmltdHM9MTcyMzQyMDgwMCZpZ3VpZD0zNTM3ZmM1OC04MmE1LTYzN2EtMDMzOS1lODkwODMzMjYyMDcmaW5zaWQ9NTIxOA&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=3537fc58-82a5-637a-0339-e89083326207&psq=giga+factory+sunderland&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly9hZXNjLmNvLnVrL2Flc2MtZ2lnYWZhY3RvcnktdXBkYXRlLw&ntb=1>

New Wear Pedestrian Footbridge

<https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=ffd46d879e7f1e06JmltdHM9MTcyMzQyMDgwMCZpZ3VpZD0zNTM3ZmM1OC04MmE1LTYzN2EtMDMzOS1lODkwODMzMjYyMDcmaW5zaWQ9NTIzOA&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=3537fc58-82a5-637a-0339-e89083326207&psq=new+wear+pedestrian+footbridge+sunderland&u=a1aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cucml2ZXJzaWRlc3VuZGVybGFuZC5jb20vYXJ0aWNsZXMvbmV3LXdlYXItZm9vdGJyaWRnZS1tb3Zlcy1haGVhZC0w&ntb=>1

The table below provides a summary of who is working on our behalf to deliver a range of sites/schemes across Sunderland: -

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| Site/Development | Contractor | Website Address |
| Culture House | KIER | [www.kier.co.uk](http://www.kier.co.uk) |
| Eye Infirmary | KIER | [www.kier.co.uk](http://www.kier.co.uk) |
| New Wear Footbridge | Volkerstevin  | [www.volkerstevin.co.uk](http://www.volkerstevin.co.uk) |
| Car Battery Gigafactory | WATES | [www.wates.co.uk](http://www.wates.co.uk) |
| Housing Innovation and Construction Skills Academy (HICSA) | Brims | [www.brimsconstruction.com](http://www.brimsconstruction.com) |
| Hylton Castle Customer Connection linked to new developments on the International Advanced Manufacturing Park (IAMP) | National GridSSE | [www.nationalgrid.com](http://www.nationalgrid.com)[www.sse.com](http://www.sse.com) |

Over the coming weeks we will be sharing appropriate opportunities for schools to get involved with these contractors.