



Request

1. Do you have a Social Value Lead?
2. If you do, please can you inform me who is the Social Value Lead for the Authority?
3. If you do not, please can you inform me how Social Value is being managed by the Authority?

Response

No, we do not have a specific Social Value Lead. However, social value does fall under the remit of our Assistant Director for Community Wealth and Health.

N/A

In Wigan, we are committed to Community Wealth Building – it is a key pillar of our Council Plan to deliver our two Borough-wide missions – to create fair opportunities, and to make our towns and neighbourhoods flourish.

A key part of Community Wealth Building is using every lever we have when spending the Council's money to maximise wider benefits and make the money work harder locally. We are delivering Mission-driven Procurement, ensuring that social value is a key part of every contract. We place a minimum of 15% weighting on social value in every tender. Our Business Engagement Team work in partnership with local Businesses who are members of our Believe in Business Charter, who we know contribute much to our Borough in terms of social value and investment in their workforce.

We also work together with our Anchor partners to find ways of working across organisations to support social value, workforce investment and recruitment, and with the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and other Councils in GM.