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Presentation Outline

- Croydon's focus
- Croydon's social value journey
- Next steps









Croydon is undergoing a £5.25 billion regeneration initiative creating:





















Croydon's Social Value Journey

2012 – Commissioning Strategy & Social value toolkit

2013-2015 – Testing policy & processes on large commissioning projects





2015 - Value Croydon Launched

2016 – London Living Wage

Introduced

2017 - Good Employer Charter





2017 Good Employer Charter

Pay Living Wage

Pay the London Living Wage

Buy Local

Invest in the local supply chain and local business

Employ Local

Create employment and training opportunities for local people

Include All

Implement equality and diversity best practice

Bringing together contractors and opportunities





2017 Good Employer Charter































Pay Living Wage

Employ Local













Include All

Buy Local



Accredited organisations are required to support the local economy by investing in local business and supply chains.



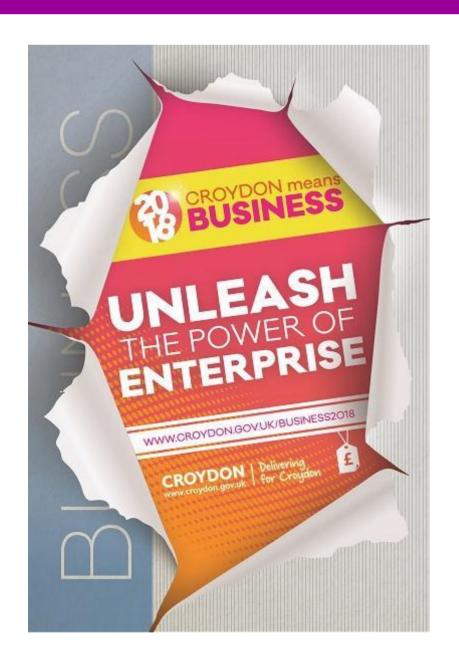


Evaluation: Good Practice

- ✓ Social Value being embedded extensively into procurement processes; including OJEU notices, Selection Questionnaires (SQs) and Invitation to Submit Final Tenders (ISFT);
- ✓ Social Value being included as a specific 'award criteria'
- ✓ Council securing bespoke social value offers that meet local priorities by proactive communication with suppliers e.g. through early market engagements
- ✓ Suppliers engaging with Croydon Council's Social Value agenda on a voluntary basis (beyond contractual arrangements);
- ✓ Smaller local suppliers bidding directly for tenders and being encouraged to do so via premarket engagement workshops, more open dialogue and the breaking up of lots;
- ✓ Performance obligations being monitored within contracts and linked to contract extensions, long-term partnerships, improvement plans or enforcement actions.
- ✓ Structures being established to encourage a group of suppliers to collaborate and coordinate Social Value initiatives
- ✓ Suppliers reacting very positively to Croydon Works



2018: Croydon Means Business



2017: Small Business Commission Found...

"Despite the award winning work of Value Croydon, many SMEs were unaware of the opportunities that were available to them through the programme."



Next steps

- Track and report social value performance more effectively;
- Use contract register to identify further opportunities;
- Refresh Value Croydon programme & provide greater visibility & accessibility of low value opportunities;
- > Deliver more internal training and guidance to managers;
- Deliver a programme of events for local businesses.





Thank you for listening.

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