



1SC GUARDING LIMITED (ACS)
PROVIDER OF QUALITY MANNED
GUARDING SERVICES

Social Value Act



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Statement

Under the provisions of the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 (the Act) 1SC Guarding Limited is required to consider how the economic, social and environmental well-being of potential stakeholders might be improved through the procurement of services.

1SC Guarding Limited recognises Social Value as a concept which seeks to maximise the additional benefit that can be treated by procuring or commissioning goods and services, above and beyond the benefit of merely the goods and services themselves.

The company aims to ensure that all public works and services contracts can help to:

- Address poverty and deprivation
- Create training and recruitment opportunities
- Sustain/ protect the environment

The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 provides the following broad definition of Social Value.

*“If a relevant authority proposes to procure or make arrangements for procuring the provision of services, or the provision of services together with the purchase or hire of goods or the carrying out of works...the authority must consider how what is proposed to be procured might improve the **economic, social and environmental** well-being of the relevant area and, in conducting the process of procurement, how it might act with a view to securing that improvement.” It must also “consider whether to undertake any consultations as to matters to be considered”*

Drawing upon the statutory definition above, this policy statement defines Social Value for 1SC Guarding as follows:

Activities that will provide life chances for local residents and enhance sustainability practices within the organisation

Signed.....



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David Jones, Managing Director.

Policy Context

1SC Guarding Limited's Social Value policy sits in line with the objectives shown in our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). The CSR policy describes the steps taken which ensure best practice in regards to employees, customers, suppliers, the community as well as the environment.

We strive to maintain a safe and healthy working environment for our employees. In regards to customers we ensure that we deal responsibly, openly and fairly with clients. When dealing with suppliers we make sure goods are derived from sources which have not jeopardised human rights, safety or the environment. Our contributions to the community involve supporting local schools and donating to charities. The company's environmental policy has also been set to guarantee less wastage and reduction in our carbon footprint.

Objectives

The main objectives of this policy reflect 1SC Guarding Limited's definition of Social Value and are as follows:

- Promote employment and economic sustainability – tackle unemployment and facilitate the development of skills. 1SC Guarding will continue to post all vacancies on UK-based job portals to attract the local workforce.
- Promote equality, diversity and inclusion – we aim to recruit a diverse and talented workforce with the suitable skillset.
- Raise the living standards of local residents – we will do our best to work with organisations who are Living Wage employers.
- Consider the environmental practices of suppliers and contractors – 1SC Guarding will do its best to encourage others to conduct business in an environmentally friendly manner.
- Reduce Carbon Dioxide emissions and other greenhouse gases – 1SC Guarding have stopped using diesel vehicles and have opted for Smart cars. The company is also looking to invest in Toyota Hybrid cars.
- Reduce, Reuse, recycle – We will seek to improve current recycling efforts and will continue to reuse office materials where possible. The company will also raise awareness by promoting campaigns where the primary focus is to reduce waste.