SPA SCOTTISH PROCUREMENT ALLIANCE

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Developing localised and community-focused solutions for the public sector that support ambitions and priorities.

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Introduction

For more than a decade, the Scottish Procurement Alliance has been developing localised and community-focused solutions that prioritise better outcomes. As a trusted procurement partner, we work alongside more than 145 public sector organisations across Scotland.

Our approach streamlines the procurement process for public sector organisations, making it easier to procure works and services while providing tailored support that informs decision-making and gives organisations confidence at every stage.

£2.7 billion
procured using our frameworks and DPSs since 2016

147+
public sector partners trust us to support their procurement

327
companies appointed to our procurement solutions

Since 2016, we have championed sustainable local development, building relationships with over 300 companies appointed to our frameworks and dynamic purchasing systems. Each of our industry-recognised solutions are developed collaboratively through ongoing engagement with our SPA Committee partners and wider network to directly address evolving sector challenges, and region-specific priorities.

It is our commitment to channeling investment back into local economies and fostering community resilience that has transformed SPA into a trusted pillar of Scottish procurement. Through community-focused solutions, fair work practices and the SPA Community Benefit Fund, we enable partners to procure works and services ethically while delivering transformational impact throughout local communities.

As part of our approach, we enable SMEs to compete alongside larger organisations, grow their capabilities, create skilled employment opportunities and expand their services. In turn, we can bring community wealth building ambitions to fruition, helping partners circulate investment where it is generated.

We are proud to be a leader of social-value driven procurement solutions combined with the tailored support needed to secure better delivery outcomes, improve the local economy, and make a difference to Scotland's built environment.

Foreword

As we celebrate a decade of the Scottish Procurement Alliance, I wanted to reflect on our progress over this time. We've matured as an organisation by expanding our services, growing our team and refining and improving our product offering. From having just a handful of clients in our early years, SPA now works with 147 organisations and has supported the procurement of more than £2.7 billion of works and services.

£6.5 million
distributed in support of Scottish communities via Community Benefit Fund and rebate programme since 2016

13.3%
increase in the number of projects registered in 2025-26

10
new organisations registered as an SPA partner in 2025-26

A lot has changed in the last 10 years, but our focus has remained consistent: developing procurement solutions and services that respond to partner priorities and create lasting value for communities. Whether that be from community benefits within procurement contracts, rebates generated through procurement activity or enabling access for local businesses to compete fairly for a place on a national framework.

There are now over 300 appointed companies across all of our solutions, with 81% of those being an SME. In 2021, we committed to reserving spaces for SMEs on our frameworks. This commitment has meant that all of our solutions provide a fairer chance for small businesses to be awarded a place.

Having access to a reliable local supply chain is essential to our public sector partners. With the introduction of the Community Wealth Building Act placing greater emphasis on how public bodies can support local economies, this focus has become even more important. For the last 5 years, we have recognised this as a priority, and our partnerships with Supplier Development Programme, CIOB, Business Gateway and Scottish Enterprise, along with local economic development teams, have enabled us to engage with local supply chains, raise awareness of our opportunities and structure our approach.

We recognise that having a diverse portfolio of frameworks can make identifying the best route more challenging. Therefore, instead of growing our portfolio, we are looking at ways to condense these and offer a comprehensive pathway. By combining many of our solutions, we are simplifying our frameworks even further, offering an end-to-end option for energy efficiency improvements, fire safety requirements, consultancy services and other key areas of public sector delivery.

Supporting our public sector partners is a fundamental part of our offering beyond our solutions. It's recognised that public sector partners are balancing competing priorities with limited funding and resources. As a result, more organisations are making use of our hands-on, tailored support, which provides access to our knowledge and expertise to help guide their project journey.

> Our tailored support equips SPA partners with knowledge and confidence to inform decision-making and save time.

For many organisations, the flexibility of this programme of support equips our partners with knowledge and confidence to inform decision-making alongside saving valuable time. This includes providing practical guidance on the right route to market, specification development, price verification, community benefit planning and project delivery representation. We remain focused on doing more for communities, which is why in 2025 we merged our rebate programme into our Community Benefit Fund (CBF). With only one change - how it is accessed. Over the last decade we have distributed a total of £6,581,156.

New priorities for the public sector have emerged in the past 12 months relating to building safety and the condition of properties. A refreshed approach to damp, mould and tenant wellbeing associated with upcoming legislative changes has brought renewed focus to these challenges.

Unsafe cladding remains a major safety and assurance priority following the Grenfell tragedy. SPA has supported a significant volume of Single Building Assessments, helping partner put emergency mitigations in place such as waking watch and alarm installations. We are now beginning to see some remediations of buildings where further works have been identified. This reflects the changing pressures facing public sector partners and the importance of having procurement routes that can respond to urgent safety, compliance and resident wellbeing priorities.

This has been a year where public sector partners have had to respond to immediate pressures while continuing to plan for long-term investment, resilience and community value.

This progress wouldn't have been possible without the commitment of our team, our appointed companies, our committee members and importantly the public sector partners who continue to place their trust in SPA.

To add to the 10 year celebrations, 2026 marks five years since Lintel Trust was integrated into our organisation. They have driven our community investment initiatives, ensuring that every pound spent creates greater value for local communities and inspires local people to thrive. Drawing on more than six decades, Lintel Trust has made a lasting contribution to SPA and our partners.

I'm immensely proud of the organisation we have become and the positive difference our work continues to make for public sector partners, local people and wider communities.

As we look ahead to the next decade, our focus remains on listening to our partners, simplifying access to procurement and helping Scotland's public sector deliver projects that create lasting value for communities.

Lesley

Lesley Peaty
Regional Director

Our performance

Overview of 2025-26

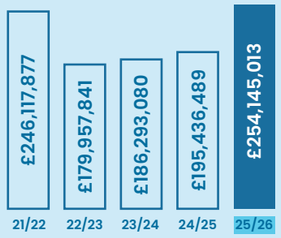
241
companies invited to bid for call off opportunities

68%
of companies awarded projects are a Scottish based SME

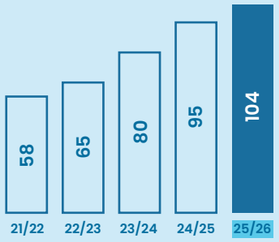
£4,349,460
average public sector partner spend

15
public sector partners have used SPA for the first time

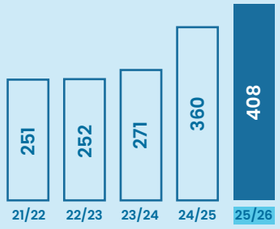
Value of works undertaken on SPA Projects



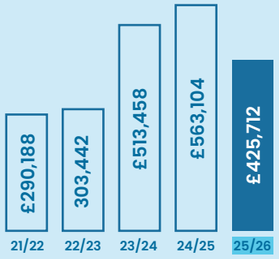
Numbers of partners who have used our solutions



Number of projects registered

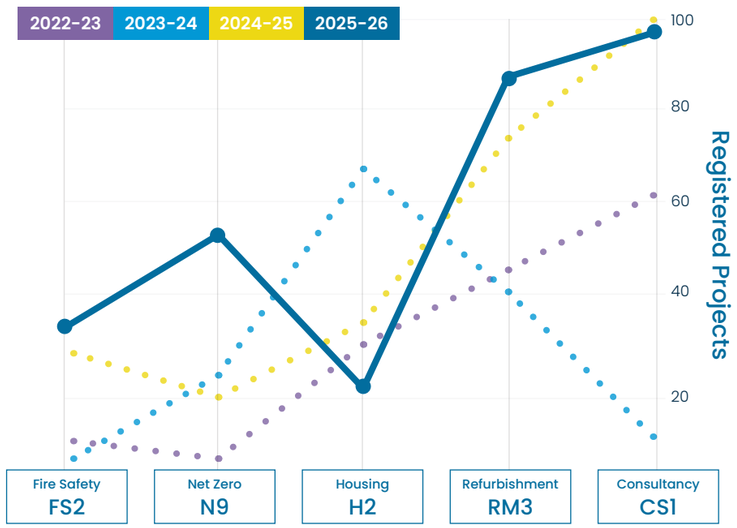


Total value of rebate CBF distributed



1 Consultancy Services (CS1) | **98**
2 Refurbishment & Modernisation (RM3) | **75**
3 Retrofit & Decarbonisation (N9) | **51**
4 Windows & Doors (WD2) | **38**
5 Public Buildings Construction (PB3) | **34**

4 Year Public Sector Trend Map



Our journey over the last decade

2016/17
SPA and first Committee are formed.

2017/18
First CBF distributed. First additions to the team to cover procurement and technical.

2018/19
Partnered with SFHA and moved to new office. Launched inaugural SPA awards.

2019/20
Launched our first graduate apprenticeship programme.

2020/21
Launched our first DPS. Reached 100 partners and joined the Supplier Development Programme

2021/22
Introduced our Added Value Services, reached £1bn in live projects and Lintel Trust joined.

2022/23
Expanded and upgraded our Livingston office.

2023/24
Enhanced our Call Off Service to include more solutions.

2024/25
Published our first social value strategy and awarded Constructing Excellence Gold Standard.

2025/26
£6m+ distributed in rebates and CBF. Celebrated 5 years of Lintel Trust partnership.

10 YEARS

Our Solutions

Developed specifically for the public sector and shaped by market feedback, our procurement solutions are designed to help organisations achieve greater value, deliver projects with confidence, and create positive outcomes for people and communities across Scotland.

Fully compliant with UK and Scottish procurement legislation, our frameworks and dynamic purchasing systems provide flexible routes to market, allowing organisations to choose the procurement approach, contract structure and award method that best suits their needs. By providing access to a network of pre-qualified suppliers, we help to reduce procurement timescales, minimise risk and support the efficient delivery of projects and services.

Beyond procurement, our Added Value Services provide practical support at no additional cost. From procurement guidance and technical assistance to defining community benefit strategies. Our team works alongside our partners to inform decision-making, increase capacity and help projects progress successfully at every stage from project inception to delivery and beyond.

Through our distinct approach to social value and community benefits, projects deliver positive local outcomes alongside procurement objectives. Additionally, from your procurement activity, you can generate vital funds that can be re-invested into your community through the SPA Community Benefit Fund.

Retrofit and Decarbonisation
N9
N9 provides a route to retrofit, decarbonisation and energy efficiency works. It can support fabric-first improvements, insulation, heating, ventilation, solar PV and energy management. This helps partners respond to net zero targets, rising energy costs and long-term asset performance priorities. Alongside this N9 provides an effective route to market for Government-funded progammes that demand tight delivery timescales.

Roofing Systems
RS5
Designed to support both planned and responsive roofing projects, RS5 provides access to pre-approved contractors and manufacturers. It covers flat, pitched, profiled metal, liquid and biodiverse roofing across refurbishment, retrofit and new build programmes. The framework supports organisations addressing roof condition, waterproofing, energy efficiency upgrades and long-term asset maintenance.

Fire Safety
FS2
With building safety high on the public sector agenda, FS2 offers access to specialist fire safety expertise. It covers consultancy, fire risk assessments, waking watch, interim mitigations, passive and active fire protection, fire suppression and cladding remediation. The framework can help organisations manage compliance, reduce risk and combine several fire safety measures within one project.

Asset Safety & Compliance
ASC1
The ASC1 framework offers a suite of compliance services to meet government guidelines regarding life safety, property protection and maintenance for all types of properties. It enables access to experts for asbestos consultancy, surveys and removals, property protection, water management, gas safety and heating maintenance, and electrical testing.

Public Buildings Construction & Infrastructure
PB4
PB4 supports construction, refurbishment, infrastructure and facilities management projects. It can be used for new build works, extensions, refurbishments, civil infrastructure and wider public building requirements. The framework is relevant to ageing estates, maintenance backlogs, estate modernisation and safer, more sustainable public buildings.

122
schools and education buildings upgraded or newly constructed

£626 million
worth of works and services procured for public buildings since 2016

New Build Housing Construction
H2
The H2 framework supports new build housing and associated works through a compliant procurement route. It covers traditional homes, care accommodation, student accommodation, key worker housing, mixed-use sites, site clearance and related infrastructure. The framework helps organisations respond to housing need, regeneration priorities and demand for safe and warm homes.

Fire Doors
FD9
Focused on passive fire protection, FD9 supports the installation, renewal and associated works for fire doorsets and related products. It covers communal entrance doors, flat entrance doors, internal doors, access control systems and timber, composite and steel products. The framework helps organisations improve resident safety, strengthen compliance and plan long-term fire door replacement or maintenance programmes.

Additional Frameworks:

- Consultancy Services (CS1)
- Modern Methods of Construction for New Homes (NH3)
- Modular Buildings (MB3)
- Refurbishment and Modernisation (RM3)
- Windows & Doors - PVC-U & Timber (WD2)

Dynamic Purchasing Systems:

- Whole House Refurbishment (WH)
- Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technology (EERT)
- Repairs and Maintenance (RM)

Scan the QR code to browse our full range of solutions

Community Benefit Fund

The SPA Community Benefit Fund was launched in 2017 to accelerate community development and regeneration, while also helping people reconnect and form strong communities, through vital investment.

Our surplus from procurement activity generates the funds that are channelled directly back into the community, supporting a diverse range of community groups, projects, and initiatives.

The fund has been used to help tackle a host of issues such as social isolation, poverty, employability and environmental improvements and more.

Approval and distribution of the fund is administered by our charity partner, Lintel Trust. As a charity with a 50 year heritage, Lintel Trust has been the voice of thriving Scottish housing communities, amplifying the importance of community investment and meaningful community benefits. They are well-versed in working with public sector organisations and community groups alike to deliver positive and sustainable outcomes.

Public sector partners using our solutions are automatically enrolled in our rebate programme, which forms part of the SPA Community Benefit Fund.

Any framework or DPS at 2.5% or above in levy is eligible to generate a rebate, provided a minimum cumulative annual spend of £250,000 is met within the financial year.

Your procurement activity can generate funds for people and communities in your local area.

This programme is designed to distribute surplus funds for the direct benefit of local communities, allowing organisations to reinvest in initiatives that drive social change. With no upper limit, the rebate programme scales alongside your projects. We have seen organisations earn more than £100,000 in rebates in a calendar year.

To access funding, organisations can nominate projects within their local area, ensuring that they align with our social value wheel, which focuses on three priority areas: individual wellbeing, planet and environment, and social mobility.

Applications are assessed by the Lintel Trust Board, and if successful, the funds will be awarded to the public sector partner or grantee organisation. To ensure transparency and to measure impact, project outcomes are monitored by Lintel Trust in collaboration with our Social Value team.

£425,712

redistributed through SPA Community Benefit Fund generated from public sector procurement activity

£190,000

awarded to Committee Partners from the SPA Community Benefit Fund

There are three main ways that organisations can access funding from the SPA Community Benefit Fund

1

Committee Participation

By being an SPA Committee Partner or LHCPG board member. Organisations are eligible to apply for annual funding to support community development within their local area.

2

Procurement Activity

SPA returns a percentage of its surplus received from public procurement activity. Any framework or DPS with a levy of 2.5% or above is eligible to generate funding, provided a cumulative annual spend of £250,000+ is achieved within the financial year.

3

Small Benefits Fund

A dedicated fund is available for public sector partners to apply for grants of up to £5,000. These grants are designed to support immediate, grassroots initiatives within the local community.

SPA Committee and LHCPG Board Funded Projects for 2025/26

Organisation	Project Name	Value	Theme	Location
Berwickshire Housing Association	BeWell Tenancy Sustainment Programme	£10,000	Social Inclusion	Scottish Borders
Cairn Housing Association	Emergency Financial Support Fund	£10,000	Financial Inclusion	Edinburgh
Clyde Valley Housing Association	Kirkshaws Primary School, Baby Bank and Blantyre Litter Pickers	£10,000	Individual Wellbeing	North Lanarkshire
East Ayrshire Council	Skills & Learning Centre for Young People	£10,000	Employability	Doon, East Ayrshire
Eildon Group	Eildon Community Food Hub	£35,000	Financial Inclusion	Scottish Borders
Hawthorn Housing Co-Operative	Hawthorn Social Strategy	£10,000	Social Inclusion	Possilpark, Glasgow
North Lanarkshire Council	Parent Action for Safe Play	£5,000	Social Inclusion	Coatbridge, North Lanarkshire
North Lanarkshire Council	Airdrie Action Partnership	£5,000	Community Project	Airdrie, North Lanrkshire
Perth & Kinross Council	Birk Cinema for Older People	£8,000	Social Inclusion	Aberfeldy, Perth & Kinross
Perth & Kinross Council	Bertha Park High School Community Garden Refurbishment	£2,000	Environmental	Perth, Perth & Kinross
Queens Cross Housing Association	Cultivating Connections: Community Growing with Purpose	£5,000	Environmental	Glasgow
South Ayrshire Council	Holiday Hunger Activity Programme for School Aged Children	£5,000	Financial Inclusion	South Ayrshire
South Ayrshire Council	Working for Wallacetown Community Festival	£5,000	Social Inclusion	Wallacetown, South Ayrshire
South Lanarkshire Council	Women's Aid - Domestic Abuse Rehousing Support	£5,000	Individual Wellbeing	South Lanarkshire
South Lanarkshire Council	Housing First - Homeless Support Pilot	£15,000	Individual Wellbeing	South Lanarkshire
West Lothian Council	Craigsfarm Fairer Futures	£10,000	Social Mobility	Craigshill, West Lothian
Wheatley Group	My Great Start - Intensive Support Programme for New Tenants	£10,000	Social Mobility	Dumfries & Galloway
Wheatley Group	My Great Start - Intensive Support Programme for New Tenants	£30,000	Social Mobility	Glasgow

CASE STUDY

Building community resilience through West Lothian wellbeing initiative

Craigsfarm is a registered charity located within the heart of Craigshill, one of West Lothian's most deprived areas. The Charity provides a safe, caring and supportive space for Craigshill and wider West Lothian community to build connections, learn and share and enhance mental wellbeing.

Established in 1967, the Craigsfarm community hub was formed just two years after Craigshill was built. It remains a historic piece of the major development programme that formed the new town of Livingston and led to the very first community asset transfer for West Lothian Council.

As Craigshill has grown, so too have the pressures on its residents, with food poverty, isolation, and mental health becoming increasingly prevalent. The area has one of the highest mental health needs in West Lothian. Craigsfarm remains deeply embedded in the fabric of the community, actively shifting its services to tackle these modern challenges head-on through targeted and agile mental wellbeing programmes and local support networks.

The hub offers a vibrant space dedicated to improving mental wellbeing, reducing isolation, and building resilience. Open seven days a week, the wider hub provides over ten programmes which include everything from art for wellbeing and meditation to counselling and bereavement support, all tailored to individual requirements, whilst the community café offers a warm spot to meet up and connect.

Creating social value in Craigshill

According to NHS Research Scotland, one in four individuals in Scotland is facing mental health challenges every year. To help tackle these inequalities, Craigsfarm offer a host of early, preventative support.

Their community wellbeing and resilience programme prioritises individual wellbeing by building a proactive support network for common challenges that can impact an individual's mental health, from bereavement and financial hardship to social isolation and trauma.

Each activity is guided by its "Theory of Change" mechanism that empowers attendees to engage in self-appraised support to shape their resilience and define the best therapy to aid their journey to improved mental wellbeing. This is achieved through a comprehensive calendar of activities, including specialised support groups, yoga for health and wellbeing, and outdoor therapies such as forest bathing.

Research has shown that when this structured intervention isn't available, facing these challenges alone can often lead to a cycle of crisis, increasing the risk of poverty and homelessness.

> "This funding helped us get over a significant financial hurdle at a crucial time in our organisational journey. These services would not be here today if Scottish Procurement Alliance had not provided this essential grant.
>
> Manuela Coletti
> Programme Lead, Craigsfarm Community Development

The challenge

With the Scottish Government proposing a £20 million reduction in mental health spending for 2025/26, the gap between demand and available support is widening. Community-led support like Craigsfarm's programme is more essential than ever. However, the lack of funding left the hub at risk of reducing its workshops and qualified support that are key to providing their community with free essential services

The £10,000 award from the SPA Community Benefit Fund was vital to secure the future of Craigsfarm's wellbeing and resilience programme, which supports over 500 people. This programme has been operating for the last four years and is delivered by a small, caring and qualified team.

How SPA supported

As an elected SPA committee partner, West Lothian Council is one of thirteen organisations that are active users of SPA's diverse range of procurement solutions developed for the built environment.

Each of the committee partners has a deep understanding of our solutions and how they operate. This knowledge places them in a strong position to share their experiences and contribute to discussions that shape SPA's direction and vision. The Council allocated their share of the SPA Community Benefit Fund to Craigsfarm.

> "Our support for Craigsfarm is a great example of how community investment can simultaneously drive organisational resilience and real impact for local people.
>
> Lesley Peaty
> Regional Director, Scottish Procurement Alliance

The award was the deciding factor in maintaining the centre's schedule, directly supporting the employment of a part-time mental health support worker to provide consistent, professional guidance.

Craigsfarm successfully maintained all of its core community events, providing uninterrupted support to the individuals who need them most. Losing such a critical resource would have been detrimental to the area and seeing the tangible, positive effect of this intervention is genuinely inspiring.

The scarcity and limited availability of grant funding schemes are becoming a major concern for charities like Craigsfarm, which rely on access to funding to maintain key services and sustain employment.

£18,000

evidenced in social value using HACT metrics

£10,000

awarded from SPA Community Benefit Fund

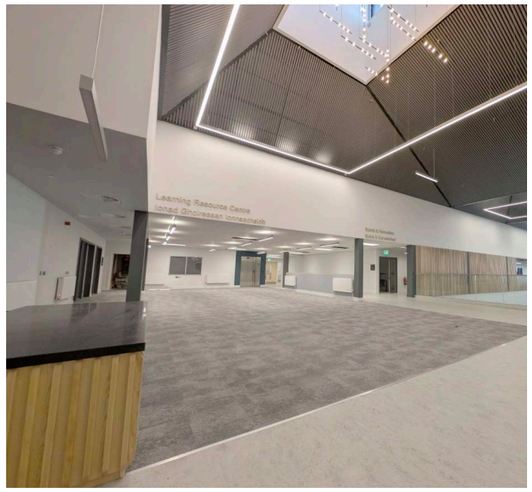
CASE STUDY

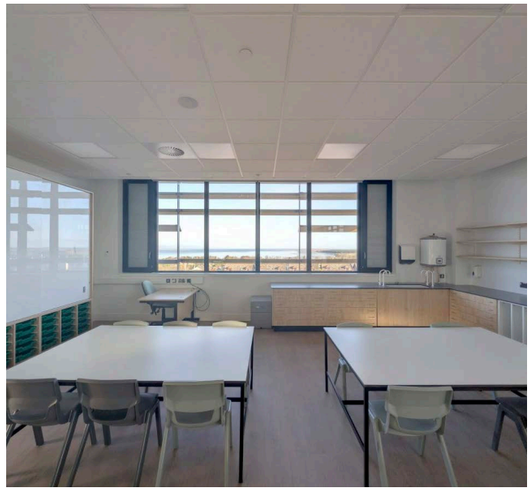
£65 million 3-18 Passivhaus campus for the Highlands

The £65 million Tain Campus is one of the largest and most ambitious education developments undertaken by The Highland Council. The new Passivhaus-accredited campus brings together early years, primary, secondary and additional support needs within a single location, creating a modern, sustainable and inclusive learning environment for children and young people aged between 3-18.

The state-of-the-art campus replaces several ageing school buildings that were no longer fit for purpose, including Tain Royal Academy, Craighill Primary School, Knockbreck Primary School and St Duthus School. Many of these facilities had reached the end of their operational life and could not be easily adapted to support modern teaching methods, inclusive education or long term sustainability.

With shared spaces, sports facilities and outdoor areas, this new campus serves as a wider community asset designed to be used beyond the school day to support wellbeing and community activities for residents within the Tain area.





The solution

The Highland Council selected the Scottish Procurement Alliance's former SCB2 framework, appointing Kier Construction to develop Tain Campus.

The SCB2 framework has since been replaced by the Public Buildings Construction and Infrastructure (PB4). The PB4 framework encompasses new build and refurbishment works, civil infrastructure and hard facilities management.

Since 2016, the Scottish Procurement Alliance has supported The Highland Council with the procurement of more than 60 projects, helping source reliable contractors via a compliant and robust process. The work has ranged from office refurbishments, roofing replacement, kitchen upgrades, fire protection and new build construction.

The results

The Tain Campus is an impressive state-of-the-art building that combines high-quality inclusive education facilities for children and young adults with community wellbeing spaces and landscaped outdoor areas accessible to the wider community.

With all four schools under one roof, it creates opportunities to inspire collaboration between the schools while developing a deep-rooted connection to the community of Tain with the availability of shared spaces, sports facilities, a dance studio and outdoor areas.

The campus is the first school building in the Highlands to be awarded Passivhaus certification. Featuring high levels of insulation, an airtight building fabric and a mechanical ventilation system with efficient heat recovery.

Community benefits delivered

The procurement approach embedded social value requirements that supported economic, social and environmental outcomes for Tain and the wider Highland area.

During construction, the project supported local employment and skills development, creating opportunities for jobs, apprenticeships and training while encouraging engagement with the local supply chain. This helped retain spend within the Highlands and promoted careers in construction and the built environment through links with local schools.

The completed campus provides long-term community benefit through improved access to modern, shared facilities. Designed to operate as a community asset, the campus offers indoor and outdoor sports spaces that support wellbeing, inclusion and local activity beyond the school day.

Environmental performance forms a core part of the project's social value. As the first Passivhaus-certified school in the Highlands, the campus reduces energy use, carbon emissions and long-term running costs, supporting net zero ambitions while ensuring the facility can serve the community sustainably for generations.

61

projects procured in partnership with Highland Council using SPA solutions since 2016

10

years supporting the delivery of major projects including roofing replacements, kitchen upgrades, fire protection and new build construction.

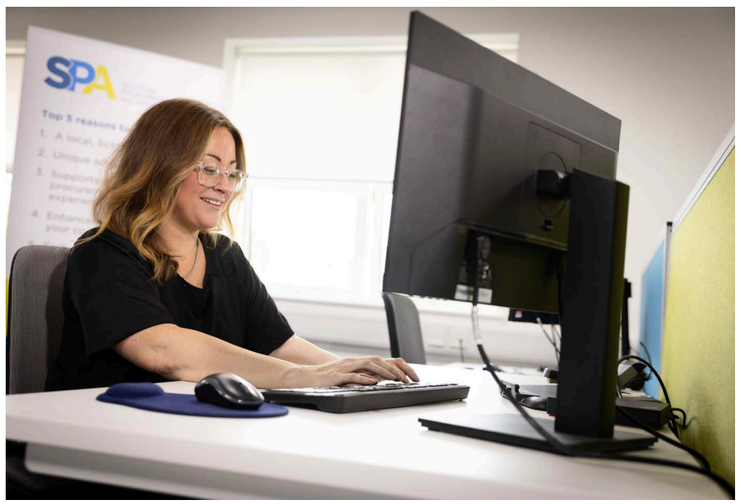
Hands on support shaped around your needs and guided by our experts

Our Added Value Services programme provides hands-on support shaped around your organisation's priorities and guided by our procurement, technical and community expertise.

Designed to strengthen the procurement solutions we offer, the programme helps inform decisions, support successful project delivery and extend the capacity of your in-house team at no additional cost.

Flexible and responsive, the service can be tailored to suit the needs of each organisation and each project. It provides an added layer of assurance, equipping public sector partners with the knowledge, confidence and support needed to make informed decisions throughout the procurement and delivery process.

From identifying the best route to market and supporting mini competitions to organising early supplier engagement, verifying prices and identifying suitable community benefits, our team can provide practical support at every stage.



Four reasons to use our Added Value Services

Flexible capacity

Gain support from our team to provide extra capacity and specialist insights.

Full compliance

Our solutions are compliant with Scottish and UK procurement legislation.

Market intelligence

Uniquely we can provide UK-wide sector insights that can add value to your projects.

Local impact

Procurement that delivers for your community. We can help you identify community benefits that create meaningful impact.

What support is available?

The support available is tailored to your requirements and available across our whole team.

Procurement
End-to-end guidance to ensure your tender processes are compliant, efficient, and tailored to your specific project requirements.

Technical
Advice on technical aspects, price verifications and specifications to ensure your projects align with market prices and deliver desired outcomes.

Client Support
A dedicated contact to provide ongoing assistance, ensuring you get the most out of our solutions and partnership.

Call Off Service
Our team simplifies the mini-competition process, attending to admin tasks and prepares documentation to help you get your projects started faster.

Social Value
We help you define, deliver and measure the local impact of your spend, ensuring your projects create a lasting legacy within your community.

Marketing
We offer support to help showcase your project's successes, achievements and highlight the positive work being done in your local area.

What is the process for using our solutions?

This five step process walks you through the journey from identifying the best route to market to awarding a contract and accessing additional support.

1. Browse our website to view all of our solutions. Discuss project requirements with your regional client support representative to identify best route to market.
2. Return completed project registration form and receive notification of all expression of interest responses.
3. Run mini competition or direct award process and evaluate submissions. We can issue tender documents and support you to evaluate submissions and publish notices using the call off service.
4. Award contract and publish award notice on Public Contracts Scotland and Find a Tender.
5. Access our specialist team throughout the project duration.

Access our Added Value Services support

Identify if additional support would benefit the project. Our programme is tailored to your needs and can offer the following at no extra cost:

Pre-tender support: Arrange pre-market engagement, identify best route to market, documentation development and assess social value options.

Call off support: Assistance calling off from the framework, evaluation support, issuing of outcome letters and help with technical requirements.

Post-award support: Representation at pre-start and progress meetings and social value monitoring.

What makes us different

Choosing a framework provider can be difficult when many appear to offer similar routes to market. What makes SPA different is the way we work collaboratively with our partners, how we reinvest into communities and the level of support we provide throughout every project.

As a not-for-profit organisation, our focus is on supporting Scotland's public sector and helping procurement activity create wider value. Through the SPA Community Benefit Fund, eligible funds generated from your projects can be reinvested into local initiatives that matter to you and make a positive difference to local people.

We also provide a personal level of support that goes beyond access to a framework. Projects are not just numbers to us. We care about what is being delivered, who it is being delivered for and how we can maximise the impact it will have. From early project discussions through to contract award and delivery, our team works closely with partners to provide practical guidance on framework selection, procurement, technical support, price verification and community benefit planning.

Our Gold Standard verified procurement solutions give partners confidence that they are using frameworks developed around value, collaboration, safety and sustainability.

For SPA, good procurement is about more than getting a project started. It is about supporting partners every step of the way and helping public investment go further by delivering lasting value for Scotland's communities.

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Investment that scales with your activity

Surplus generated from your procurement activity is reinvested to support communities across Scotland. Your organisation may be eligible to apply for funding from the SPA Community Benefit Fund to address the needs of your community.

2

Hands on support from start to finish

Projects are not just numbers to us. We work with partners throughout their journey to help them procure with confidence and access tailored support from our team at no additional cost.

3

Solutions developed from public sector insight locally and nationally.

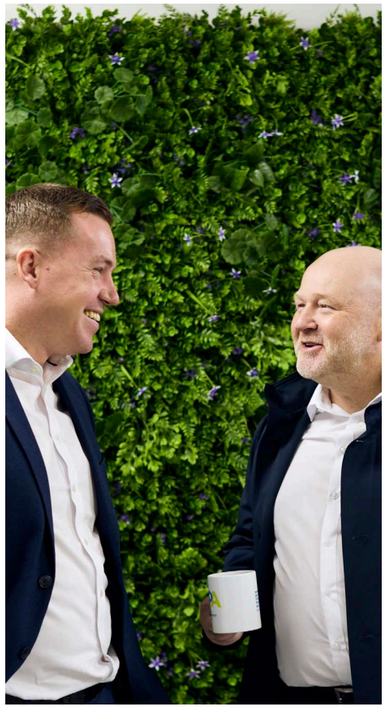
Accredited by Constructing Excellence's Gold Standard. A desired accolade that only a few framework providers have obtained demonstrating our commitment to best practices.

What you get when you use SPA

As Scotland's leading framework provider, our localised and community-focused approach streamlines and informs the procurement journey for our public sector partners.

The public sector across Scotland continues to face significant financial pressures combined with growing expectations and fewer resources. The reliance on additional support has never been greater.

Our solutions extend beyond simply developing frameworks. We provide hands-on support tailored to your project and guided by our own in-house expertise.



Using SPA as your procurement delivery partner unlocks significant benefits to your organisation.

Committee

Dedicated group passionate about shaping our direction and ensuring the solutions we develop are relevant, considered, and agile to meet the evolving needs of the public sector.

Nationwide Insights

Backed by 60 years of experience from LHC Procurement Group, SPA partners benefit from wider market intelligence, sector knowledge and best practice insights.

Procurement Solutions

Wide range of specialised built environment frameworks and dynamic purchasing systems to address your requirements and priorities.

Tailored Support

Access support and guidance from our expert team across all aspects of your project at no additional cost.

Building Community Wealth

More than 80% of appointed companies are an SME with 50% based in Scotland. To ensure businesses of all sizes have a fair chance at gaining a place we reserve spaces for SMEs.

Social Value

Our social value strategy sets out our commitment to ensuring every project procured through our solutions benefits your community.

Investment For Your Community

Your procurement activity can create investment opportunities to develop your community.

Post Award Support

Our team can attend pre-start and progress meetings as well as provide a range of guidance.

Find out more about our solutions on our website scottishprocurement.scot

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