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**Social Value**  
Policy Document

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## OUR DEFINITION OF SOCIAL VALUE FOR GLEEDS

In the context of Gleeds' business, Social Value is the maximisation of additional benefits created through:

- Our own actions in the operation of our own business beyond that directly related to the generation of fee income; or
- The professional advice we provide to our clients in the design, specification, procurement or delivery of works or services beyond those directly related to the works or services themselves

## SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT TO OUR STAFF

We will:

- Pay a Living Wage to all our employees
- Provide access and opportunity for staff at all levels to further their careers through development and training
- Support our staff in maintaining an appropriate work life balance
- Encourage our staff to participate in activities that benefit the communities in which we operate and support charitable causes

## SOCIAL VALUE COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH WE OPERATE

Through our behaviours we will generate Social Value through:

- Considering the ethics of our own procurement activities and how they can benefit local businesses, communities, environments and economies through local sourcing and provision

- Proactively develop and monitor our supply chains, in particular monitoring and seeking out further opportunities to continually increase engagement of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), voluntary and community organisations to support delivery of programmes and projects local to them
- Working closely with Further and Higher Education providers to support the development of young people and provide sustainable employment opportunities within our business
- Maintaining and where possible extending our commitments to work with local charities and good causes
- Assisting our clients in developing and embedding mechanisms that drive the realisation of Social Value through the construction and property programmes and projects on which we offer professional support



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