

Social Value Environmental Bid Offers

– guidance regarding how to evaluate Supplier Bids

Have bidders outlined how they are meeting our Climate Emergency Commercial Ask?

When evaluating bidder's Social Value Environmental responses take into consideration the following:-

- **Do they know the impact that their organisation has on the environment?**
 - o Do they hold an environmental accreditation?
 - o Is it externally audited? e.g. *ISO14001, Carbon Charter*
 - o Is the environmental impact measured and regularly reported and overseen?

- **Do they have an Environmental Policy?**
 - o Have they provided evidence that the policy embeds a culture of reducing negative environmental impacts within the organisation?
 - o Have they evidenced that the Policy is being used and that Climate Change is a priority in the organisation?

- **Do they have a clear action plan to deliver the policy?**
 - o Do they have a clear action plan outlining the work to be undertaken focusing on the biggest impacts, with key targets and timelines to the actions to be undertaken?
 - for example*
 - *if they use travel, how are they reducing their mileage. For the miles that they are not able to reduce, are they travelling in more environmentally friendly ways?*
 - *if they use a building/s ensure that they have Environmental building survey/s undertaken and mitigated the negative environmental impact;*

- **Are they working towards being Carbon Net Zero?**
 - o Have they set a Net Zero target date? Do they have a plan to achieve this?

- **How will they know the impact of this contract on the environment?**

- **Over and above their offer as an organisation, have they given a specific response regarding the environmental impact of this contract?**

- **Do they work with their supply chain to know the environmental impact of the goods/services they purchase?** Do they mitigate/reduce the negative impact, where the negative impact is not able to be reduced, do they offset the impact?

- **Have they mapped their environmental offer to TOMS?**
As a social value measurement tool TOMS will enable direct comparison between bids