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Sustainable Procurement Policy

Leeds Beckett University's Sustainable Procurement Policy aims to support the University's Sustainability Policy by considering social, economic and environmental factors in all procurement activity.

The Procurement Team will achieve this by:

1. Assessing the need for the product to be purchased;
2. favouring products with recycled content (where quality and cost are similar to non recycled products), that can be reused or recycled, do not contain components that are hazardous to the environment and which conform to recognised environmental standards;
3. considering whole life costs and impacts when assessing value for money;
4. ensuring that sustainability criteria and recognised standards are used in the award of contracts;
5. supporting suppliers to improve sustainability in supply chains;
6. ensuring there are no barriers to entry so that SMEs, local and regional businesses are encouraged to bid for appropriate work;
7. working with suppliers to ensure compliance with the Equality and Diversity Act 2010, The Social Value Act 2012 and The Modern Slavery Act 2015;
8. ensuring social, economical and environmental factors are integrated into procurement procedures, guidance and training;
9. collaborating with others including the North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium (NEUPC) to improve sustainable procurement;
10. utilising the NETpositives sustainability tool to measure and review supplier performance.

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