



SANDWELL ANCHOR NETWORK
STRENGTH IN COLLABORATION

Sandwell Anchor Network Charter

Anchor Organisations have an important presence in a locality due to being largescale employers and purchasers of goods and services, controlling large areas of land and/or having relatively fixed assets. Such organisations include councils, NHS trusts, universities and colleges, housing groups, and large strategic companies. With this presence Anchor Organisations have a significant influence in terms of their potential to build community wealth through an inclusive economy thanks to the jobs they create, employment practices, the physical spaces they occupy, the commissions they manage and the supply chains they use.

Members of the Sandwell Anchor Network Partnership make a long-term commitment to use their influence, resources and assets to build a strong and inclusive economy for Sandwell. By signing this charter as a representative of an Sandwell Anchor Organisation and a member of the Sandwell Anchor Network Partnership you agree to:

- Use your influence to build an inclusive economy in Sandwell
- Understand barriers to local spend and find ways to increase/focus your organisation's spend within the Sandwell and West Midlands economies
- Help build capacity for local suppliers to bid for opportunities through consideration of procurement practice
- Understand barriers to Sandwell's workforce accessing employment and skills opportunities within your organisation and consider accessible pathways to increase local workforce recruitment
- Use your influence to support the borough of Sandwell in becoming carbon net zero by 2041.

Anchor Organisation:	
Name and position:	
Signature:	
Anchor Network chair:	
Date of declaration:	