

## Prioritising local procurement in your development

Barnet Council is committed to encouraging more use of the local supply chain by developers and contractors working in the borough.

The current Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) stipulates that <u>developers should</u> <u>ensure that local companies are represented on their tender lists and, in the case of larger developments, make them aware of the opportunities on their development and support them in accessing them.</u>

The SPD is being revised to contain a more comprehensive local procurement requirement.

Making use of the local supply chain is often difficult when you don't know what companies there are in the area and which are suitable for subcontract or materials supply. Main contractors often do not have time to research the local area.

## How Barnet Council can help

The **Barnet Construction Supply Chain Project** has been set up to assist developers and main contractors to find appropriate and effective local subcontractors and suppliers for their development as well as helping local companies access and win more work in their area.

In addition to meeting s106 requirements, there are many advantages in using local subcontractors and suppliers. Benefits include:

- · Reduced supply chain risks
- Reduced project costs including logistics
- Achieved security of supply
- Reduced carbon footprint including road miles
- · Better customer service
- Easier access to service and technical support, as well as local knowhow
- More of your investment retained in the local economy

## Trades included

Local companies in Barnet cover a wide variety of trades and professions including:

architects, building surveyors, employers agents, brick & blockwork contractors, façade works, carpentry & joinery, decorating, dry lining, catering, building and refurbishment, metalwork, insulation & cladding, signage & wayfinding, groundwork, glass contractors, m&e contractors, kitchens installers, marketing, flier distribution, cleaning, and many others.

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