

**Accounts and Audit
Committee -
Trafford
7th February 2024**

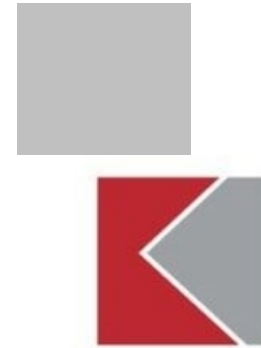


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PROCUREMENT



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Trafford Achievements

As at 2022 / 2023



£1,415,294 in Efficiencies in 22/23



47.1% Social Value return secured on total contract value, accumulative over the past 4 years



76.42% of spend retained within GM, 49.7% being retained within Trafford, in 22/23



91.5% Compliance in 22/23

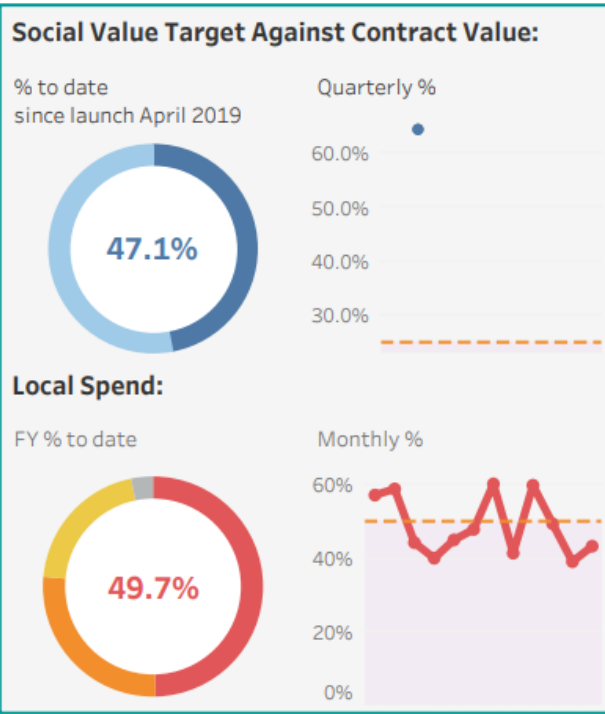


3.6 X Return on Investment in 22/23

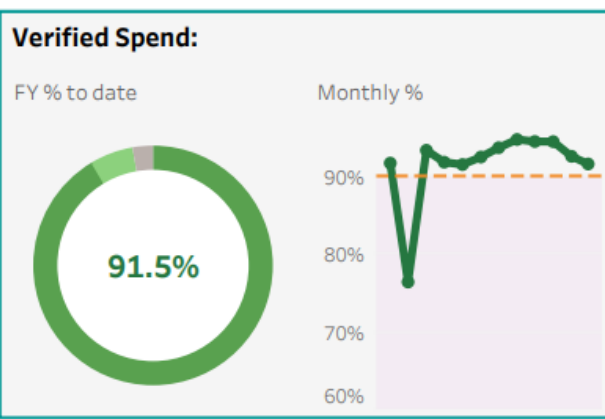
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Communities



Confidence



Trafford Council Q1 23/24 – Performance (STAR Board/JC Report):



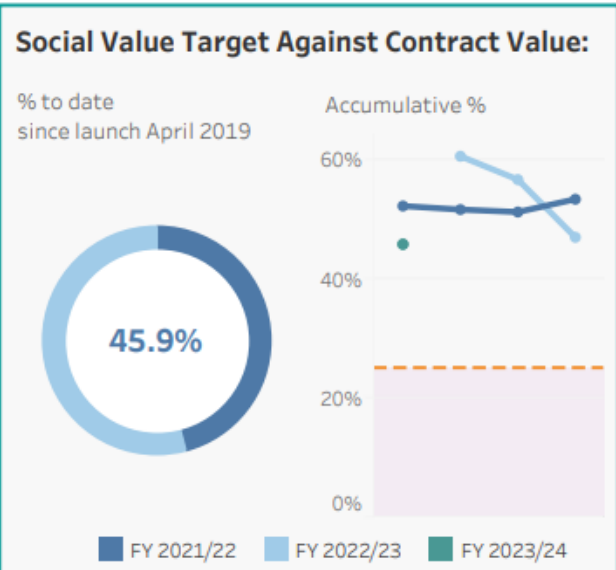
Collaboration

Collaborative Contracts:

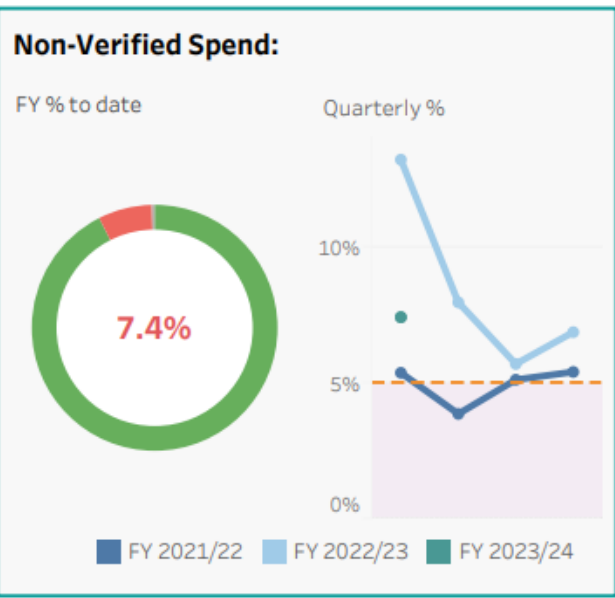
163 Collaborative contracts live in FY 2022/23.

26 projected to continue in Q1 2023/24.

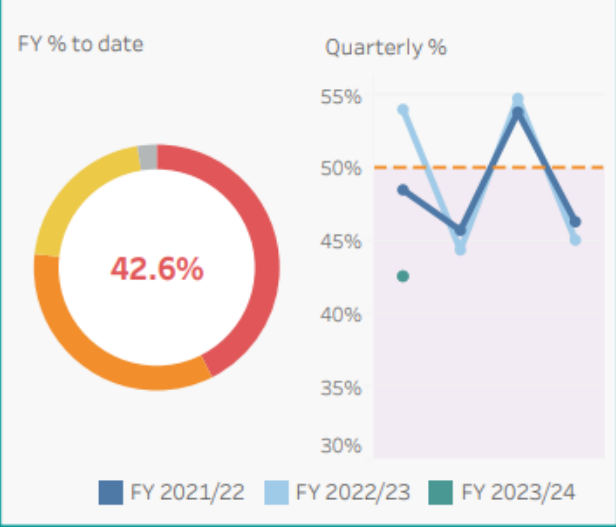
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Local Spend:





Compliance Data:

- **Non-Verified Spend:** Q1 23/24: 7.4%
- Analysis is being undertaken to understand what isn't compliant and why. To be shared with Board Rep (Sara Saleh)

- **Exemptions Data:** Q1 23/24: 1
- What and Why?

Exemption	Value
GD3 Bus Stop Improvements	£ 17,350.00



Trafford Achievements

As at 2022 / 2023

Route to Market

42	21	62	9	9
Call Off - Direct Award	Exemption	RBS Low / Mini Competition	OJEU Tender	RBS High

Focus for 2023 / 24

Deliver to performance targets outlined in the **5 STAR reporting framework** to STAR Joint Committee

Support the **GMCA** commitment to **Driving Social Value in GM Public Procurement** e.g. Getting the right bidders i.e. RLW, GM Good Employment Charter supporters and commitment to Net Zero targets 2038 etc.

Drive increasing **collaboration** to deliver greater value for money across STAR and the wider region

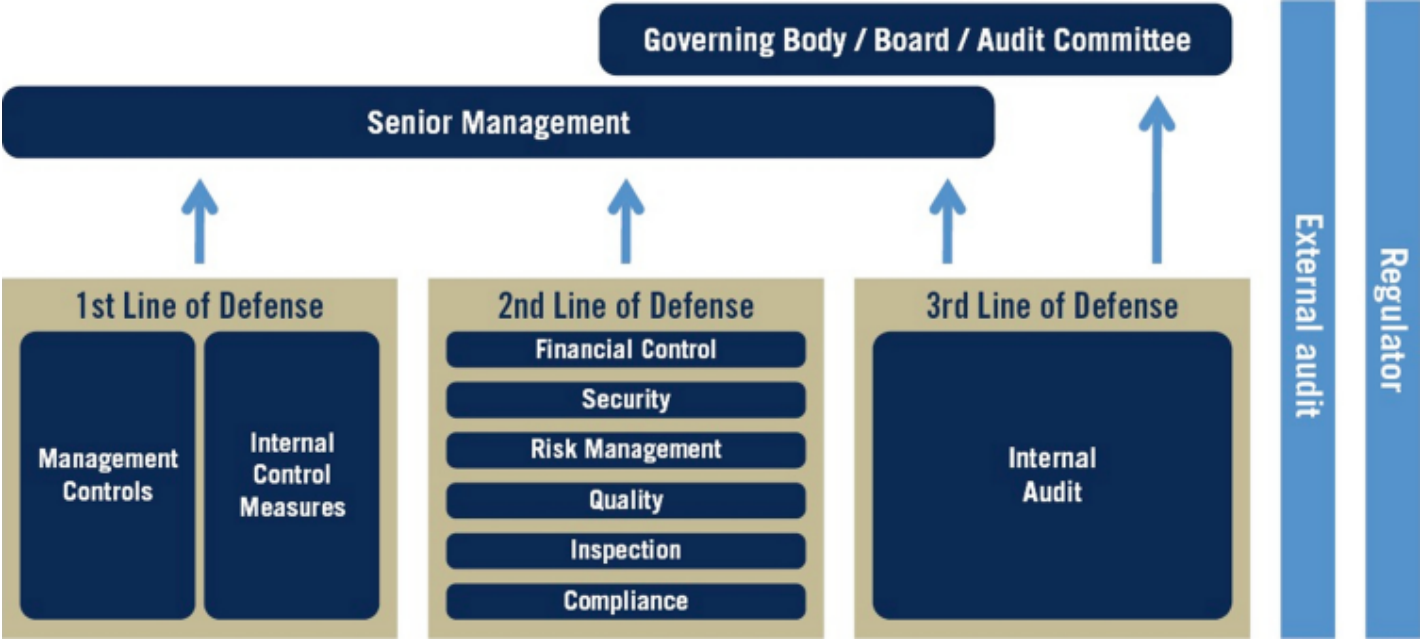
Securing **Social Value** linked to Corporate Priorities, supporting the delivery, and capturing impact

Ensure **financial sustainability** of STAR through planned growth and income generation

Drive further improvements through the **STAR Continuous Improvement Group** with the partner organisations

Prepare for the new **Procurement Bill** and continue to develop the application and implementation of the **National Procurement Policy Statement**

Three Lines of Defense Model



What RISKS do we think about:



What do we do to manage these RISKS:



First Line:

1. **Management Controls** – Escalation in STAR – Board Rep/JC
2. **Internal Control Measures** – ‘gatekeeper role’, QMS, training, communication and education (STAR and Council staff), reporting, analysing, monitoring and escalating

Second Line:

1. **Financial Control** – Budget availability checks/contractor assessment at tender stage (Trafford Finance SLA for budget management)
2. **Security** - Integrity/Availability/Confidentiality of each organisation’s data/data sharing protocols (Stockport Data SLA) and GDPR training (annual via Trafford)
3. **Risk management** – STAR Risk Register feeds into Corporate RR. STAR have support from STAR Legal team (Trafford SLA)
4. **Quality** – PID requirement e.g. key decision in place. Peer/Board assessment (ensuring STAR is of an appropriate quality) and feedback from organisation users (internal and external) to improve services, cross-partner Continuous Improvement group.
5. **Inspection** - STAR governance inspections by external experts – Efficiency and effectiveness reviews (CAR) and Legal reviews e.g. Trowers and Hamlin (Trading/Income activity)
6. **Compliance** – reporting and monitoring via STAR Board/JC and Board Reps

What do we do to manage these RISKS:



Third Line and External:

1. Collaborative Audit Group – joint plan x6
2. Annual Governance Statement
3. External Audit
4. Procurement Regs/National Policy and Strategy/Procurement Policy Notices (PPNs) etc.

Senior Management:

1. Board Rep Engagement 121s – Sara Saleh
2. CLT attendance
3. Senior Leadership Group participation (SLG)
4. Support Social Value Steering Group

Board/Committees:

1. STAR Board, STAR Joint Committee – Sara Saleh / Cllr. Patel
2. Audit Committee attendance
3. Cabinet/Scrutiny etc. – when required

Performance Improvement:

1. Local spend
2. SV Secured and Delivered
3. Collaboration
4. Compliance
5. Efficiencies

New Procurement Regulations Preparation and National Procurement Policy Statement (NPPS)

Risk Management

Social Value Bespoke Approach – focus on outcomes

Continuous Improvement

GM SV Priorities:

1. Real Living Wage
2. GM Good Employment Charter
3. Inclusivity
4. Local Spend
5. Diversity
6. Carbon Reduction

Business Plan/Strategy Review

Any Questions

