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## South Tyneside Pledge Evaluation

South Tyneside Borough Council

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## Scope

## Reference

F8990

## Description

The South Tyneside Pledge, launched in 2022, is a community wealth-building initiative designed to retain more economic value within the borough in response to the macroeconomic shock of the COVID-19 pandemic. It brings together over 400 organisations from the public, private, and voluntary sectors, all of which are either based in or provide services within South Tyneside.

The Pledge is coordinated by the Policy and Insight team, with strong cross-Council collaboration involving Strategic Investment & Growth, Communications, Procurement, Sustainability, and other departments. It represents a collective commitment to inclusive growth, local investment, and community resilience.

### Purpose of the Evaluation

This evaluation aims to assess the impact of the South Tyneside Pledge over the past

three years, focusing on how effectively it has delivered against its nine core commitments. The findings will inform future strategy, identify areas for improvement, and celebrate successes across the partnership.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- ORTUS ECONOMIC RESEARCH LIMITED

### **Contract value**

- £13,971.60 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Award decision date**

29 January 2026

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

11 February 2026

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 12 February 2026 to 30 May 2026

- 3 months, 19 days

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

## **Contract locations**

- UKC - North East (England)

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## **Information about tenders**

- 14 tenders received
- 14 tenders assessed in the final stage:
  - 14 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
  - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 13 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

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## **Procedure**

## **Procedure type**

Below threshold - open competition

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## **Supplier**

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Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

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## Contracting authority

### South Tyneside Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYPB-8737-VBHG

Town Hall and Civic Offices, Westoe Road

South Shields

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Email: [strategic.procurement@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:strategic.procurement@southtyneside.gov.uk)

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government