

THE UK STEEL CHARTER

We support the aims and objectives of the UK Steel Charter. By taking practical steps to maximise opportunities for UK steel producers in construction and infrastructure, organisations will:

- ✓ Help ensure the best possible economic benefit to the UK economy by increasing GVA in UK manufacturing supply chains
- ✓ Unlock the social, environmental and economic benefits of shortened and localised supply chains
- ✓ Promote and facilitate the use of UK produced steel in construction and infrastructure projects
- ✓ Support highly paid, skilled manufacturing jobs and training opportunities in communities across the UK

Signed:

Read More:

- UK Steel, 'Maximising Value: Positive Procurement of Steel'
- UK Government, 'Procurement policy note 11/16: Procuring Steel in Major Projects'
- Welsh Government, 'Supporting the sourcing of steel in major construction and infrastructure projects in Wales – PAN)
- Scottish Government, 'Steel Procurement in Major Projects – Guidance on the Application of Social Issues'



This Charter is endorsed by the National Trade Union Steel Co-ordinating Committee

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We commit to the following steps:

- Establish clear and simple criteria to identify which projects are in the scope of our charter commitments
- Develop a future steel pipeline
- Monitor and produce data on the levels of UK-produced steel used in our projects
- Place a requirement in our appropriate contracts requiring the origin of steel to be provided
- Stipulate use of steel products accredited to BRE Standard BES 6001
- Advertise opportunities for steel providers and/or require our contractors/sub-contractors to do so
- Introduce a requirement for tender applications to include supply chain plans
- Host engagement meetings/events for major projects in advance of procurement decisions being made
- Develop our organisation's approach to the 'most economically advantageous tender'
- Appoint a 'UK supply chain champion' to manage engagement with steel sector, and other suppliers
- Use UK-produced steel to meet KPIs for your organisations corporate social responsibility commitments
- Use British quality standards of steel when detailing steel requirements in project plans