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Responsible sourcing of construction products

Enabling sustainable procurement

Actions:

- i. Ensure a Sustainable Procurement Plan is undertaken and in place **before RIBA Stage 2**

i. Sustainable Procurement Plan

A Sustainable Procurement Plan is to be **used by the design team** to guide specification towards sustainable construction products.

The plan must include:

- sustainability aims, objectives and strategic targets to guide procurement **activities**. Note: targets do not need to be achieved for the credit to be awarded but justification must be provided for targets that are not achieved.
- a policy to procure construction products **locally** wherever possible and include a requirement for assessing this.
- details of procedures in place to **check and verify** the effective implementation of the sustainable procurement plan.

If the Plan is applied to several sites or adopted at an organisational level it must identify the risks and opportunities of procurement against a broad range of social, environmental and economic issues following the process set out in **BS ISO 20400:2017**.

Note: This document is intended as guidance only. Consult your BREEAM AP or Assessor to ensure compliance is achieved.