



Construction projects Build Community Benefits

Major construction projects in Dundee have boosted the local economy by more than £55 million, a new city council report reveals.

A wide ranging capital programme including V&A Dundee, the new railway station, primary and secondary schools, new housing and development of Waterfront sites has used nearly 75% of local labour, councillors will be told.

A report outlines how hundreds of employment opportunities, apprenticeships and work experience opportunities have been created across the projects as a result of the council's community benefits policy, which is set for an update.

Council leader Councillor John Alexander said: "We have created jobs and opportunities for local people, including providing employment for people previously unemployed or made redundant, by delivering on our ambitions for the city.

"We are building a new future for Dundee and I am delighted to see how our community benefits policy is already making a significant impact on the local economy.

"Our community benefits approach has already paid dividends for the city and the time is now right to refresh this for the future."

Councillor Alexander added: "There has been a significant boost for local companies through community benefits which reflects the scale of our investment into our building programme for the city.

"I am determined that we can do all we can to make Dundee a better city for everyone, and this report details how we are matching ambition with action.

"It also reflects how we are building right across the city, from V&A Dundee to the new north east school campus, to make sure as many communities as possible feel the most benefits."

The report will be considered by the policy and resources committee on Monday June 25.