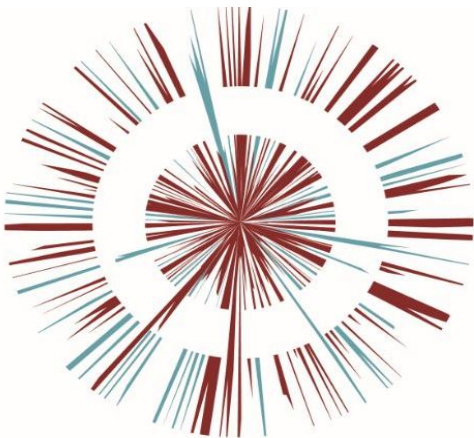




OMEGA ZONE 8, ST HELENS

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**Local Suppliers of Services and
Goods During the
Construction Phase
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Proposed Local Suppliers of Services and Goods During the Construction Phase

1.0 Introduction

1.1 This proposed Local Suppliers of Services and Goods Scheme (The Scheme) has been prepared by p3 Consulting on behalf of Omega West Limited in relation to Planning Application reference P/2020/0061/HYBR for the land known as Omega Zone 8, St Helens.

1.2 The Hybrid planning application seeks planning permission for the following development:

'Hybrid Planning Application for the following development (major development);

1. *(i) Full Planning Permission for the erection of a B8 logistics warehouse, with ancillary offices, associated car parking, infrastructure and landscaping; and*
2. *(ii) Outline Planning Permission for Manufacturing (B2) and Logistics (B8) development with ancillary offices and associated access infrastructure works (detailed matters of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale are reserved for subsequent approval).'*

1.3 This proposed Scheme relates to construction activities which are subject to the detailed element of the application. The Scheme aims to promote the use of local suppliers of services and goods during the construction phase of the development and has been prepared and submitted for approval as part of the application process. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the agreed scheme.

2.0 Definition of a Local Supplier

2.1 A Local Supplier for the purposes of this scheme is defined as a supplier who operates within the Borough of St Helens or within its immediate vicinity.

2.2 It is noted that whilst Omega West Limited is prepared to facilitate the use of local suppliers of goods and services, it can be challenging for small and local suppliers to engage because of economies of scale, which can lead to contracting with larger suppliers with national networks. Omega West Limited therefore may have to take commercial decisions if local suppliers of goods and services are not sufficiently competitive on price and delivery.

3.0 The Scheme

3.1 Prior to and during the construction phase of the development, the developers propose to:

1. Invite all relevant local businesses to one or more 'Meet the Buyer' events at the St Helens Chamber of Commerce or alternative venue to provide information on the development.
2. Provide a questionnaire and keep a record of local suppliers attending the events who have expressed interest in becoming a local supplier for the development.
3. Provide this information to the selected Contractor of the development and encourage them to use local suppliers where possible. This will include a meeting with the Local Authority's Economic Development Team.

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4. The Contractor will also be encouraged to support local suppliers to provide training and work experience and recruit locally as set out in the Local Employment Scheme for the development.
5. Provide evidence of the procurement process in writing to the local authority upon request following appointment of the suppliers.

4.0 Unit 1

- 4.1 This proposed LES relates to all construction activities associated with the proposed Omega Zone 8 works which are subject to the detailed element of the application (Unit 1).
- 4.2 However, Unit 1 will operate as a highly automated distribution centre. The automation design and installation is being undertaken by WITRON Logistik + Informatik GmbH, which is a company registered in Germany with registered number HRB 153, whose head office is at Neustädter Str. 21, 92711 Parkstein, Germany (the 'Fit-Out Contractor').
- 4.3 The Fit-Out Contractor is a specialist contractor which can deliver a unique automated solution for logistics requirements. They are a family owned business whose central operations are from the head office in Parkstein, Germany. They operate worldwide but require highly specialised and experienced engineers and operatives to undertake the installation works for their solutions. Given the specialism, where work is to be undertaken engaging contractors outside their workforce, these contractors will be retained contractors with whom they have previously operated. Due to the specialist nature and precision requirements of their installation, together with their international base, they would not be able to commit to engagement with the LES and would therefore not partake in the scheme.