

Rise Impact Report

2021-2022

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CONSTRUCTION FRAMEWORK



Introduction

Welcome to our annual Social Impact Report for 2022, a busy year which saw us launch the latest re-iteration of Rise Construction Framework and welcome 100 new supply partners. Investment proved challenging this past year with so many organisations scaling back services due to pandemic uncertainty, so I am extremely proud that despite the varying challenges Rise continued to invest in communities to drive social change.

This report will highlight our activities, achievements and successes in making communities safer, stronger, healthier and economically active.

> *"Integrity is a fundamental part of our organisational so doing what we say on the tin is extremely important to me and the team. Navigating a pandemic whilst continuing to deliver for the public-sector and communities has not been easy, but we held true to our values and vision and so start 2022 even more determined to deliver an excellent service for both the public-sector and the communities they serve."*

Sara Lawton- Director

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Section 1

Rise has a social mission of tackling deprivation and poverty.

Section 1 demonstrates some examples of how we achieve our mission by re-investing public sector money into initiatives that make communities safer, stronger, healthier and economically active.

Rise investments are in addition to social value delivered by our supply partners.

Our investments make public-sector money work harder and enable us to fund social innovation that impacts across the communities our public-sector partners serve.



Rise Social Investments

Community Projects Supported
13

Beneficiaries
1,175



Social Return On Investment
£11.70 per £1 invested

Social Investment Value
£85,000

Overall Social Return on Investment **£989,000**

Rise Social Investments

This year we have invested £85,000 into a variety of projects across the North West benefiting over 1,100 Individuals across the region, projects include:

- SafeNet – Domestic Violence Specialist Crèche Worker
- NHS Procurement Apprenticeship
- Thrive Care Leaver Careers Hub
- Children in Read Sponsorship
- Blackpool Carers Centre – Adult Carer Respite
- Preston College – Student Scholarship
- Liverpool Homeless Football Club – Pitch Hire



Thrive Careers Hub

Thrive is a dedicated safe space for support workers and young people to meet, build relationships and access job search support. Thrive's purpose is to support socially excluded young people who are furthest away from the job market, many of whom have already encountered significant challenges during their lives.

Thrive was founded by Rise in 2020 as our first in house social initiative, in its first year Thrive directly benefitted over **400 young people**, creating **£1.1m** of Social Impact, achieving a **£9.51** Social Return On Investment.

Rise's investment into Thrive is not only financial, with the whole Rise team offering time and resources to ensure Thrive is fully supported.





Since inception:

- **343** visits by support workers
- **1326** visits by young people
- **71** young people into work

Liverpool Homeless Football Club



During a time when the charity was struggling for funding, Rise awarded **Liverpool Homeless Football Club** community funding to continue the delivery of their training and events. Rise funding covered the costs associated with all sessions delivered during December 2021.

A total of 215 individuals benefitted from their support this year, helping individuals to build confidence, increase self-esteem, improve overall health and wellbeing, whilst building social skills through team activities.

Blackpool Carers- Adult Respite Support

Rise community funding awarded to **Blackpool Carers Centre** enabled the centre to continue to employ an Adult Respite Support Worker to extend the scope of adult carer respite provided over a 6 month period. The centre delivered a mixture of activities some of which were delivered in the centre gardens including art, music, dance and yoga. Adult carers were also given the opportunity to attend a number of external trips.





- **75 individuals benefitted**
- **89 sessions delivered**
- **3 external trips**

"If it wasn't for the centre, I don't know what I'd do. Last week I could hardly get out of bed for fear of what the day held and was going to bed early exhausted. Just taking that bit of time out for myself has made me feel so much better and able to take on the day knowing that the sessions will be there every week or that I can go and sit in the garden or potter whenever I need to."

Heather, Adult Carer

SafeNet is a Domestic Abuse (DA) charity delivering support to victims/survivors across the North West. The organisation gives support to survivors of DA through 24-hour refuge provision, therapeutic support, re-settlement support as well as Outreach, IDVA services and education. The service is accessible 365 days a year by adults and children affected by DA.

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Specialist Creche Worker

Rise awarded **SafeNet** community funding monies to cover the cost of employing a Specialist Crèche Worker for 12 months. The DA trained creche worker responds to all behaviours children may display that are associated with living in an abusive household. She works alongside SafeNet's children and young people worker supporting children on a 1-2-1 basis aiding their development and growth. In addition to supporting the children the role allows mothers to attend workshops to help them live independently, free from abuse.



- **66 Adults and 139 Children accessed support**
- **100% of parents felt their parenting skills had improved and that they understand more about the impact of domestic abuse on their children.**

Procurement Apprenticeship

Rise Construction Framework fully funded a procurement apprentice at **Northern Care Alliance NHS Group**. Caroline (pictured) has now completed her two-year procurement apprenticeship whilst working within the Northern Care Alliance procurement team. Caroline has now gained her Level 4 Diploma with the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply (CIPS) and is working fulltime in within the group's procurement department.

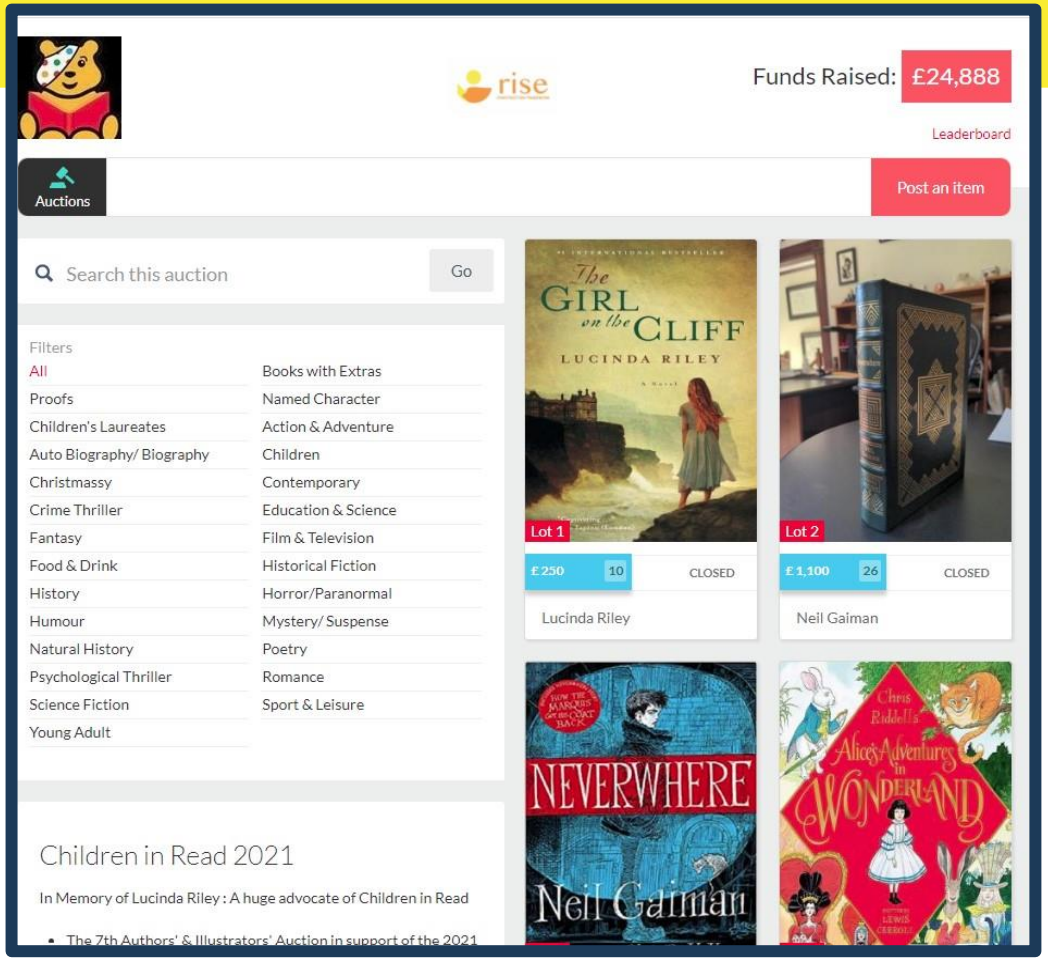
After successfully completing all the exams for the level 4 diploma with CIPS and passing both the project and presentation elements that formed part of the apprenticeship, I have now been employed as a buyer in the same department I served my apprenticeship. I wanted to thank you, as without your funding I would not have had the opportunity to study and prove my own ability in the role to gain permanent employment.

Caroline NHS Apprentice



Children In Read Sponsorship

Children in Read is a creative fundraising event which involves an annual online auction of books which have been signed and donated by famous authors and illustrators from across the globe. The online auction allows people to filter through a variety of book categories and put an offer in for a book of their choice, the highest bidder wins.



For the fourth consecutive year Rise sponsored Children in Reads Annual fundraising event which this year went onto raise **£24,888.**



Preston College



As part of the college's gifted and talented scholarship programme students are welcomed to apply for scholarship funding that provides an annual travel pass, gym membership and college hoodie.

Following works procured by the college via the Rise framework and discussions with the staff at the college, Rise made the decision to fund a two year college scholarship for a young person attending the college.

Rise funding will cover the cost of travel and a gym membership for two year for a student who otherwise would struggle to financially cover the cost associated with accessing education.

Paper Cup Project



This year Paper Cup Project (PCP) opened a coffee shop with a difference; not only a place to get great coffee and cake, but also a place where customers can 'pay it forward' to directly help individuals across the city. PCP will also use the venue to train people experiencing homelessness in skills needed to move them into employment.

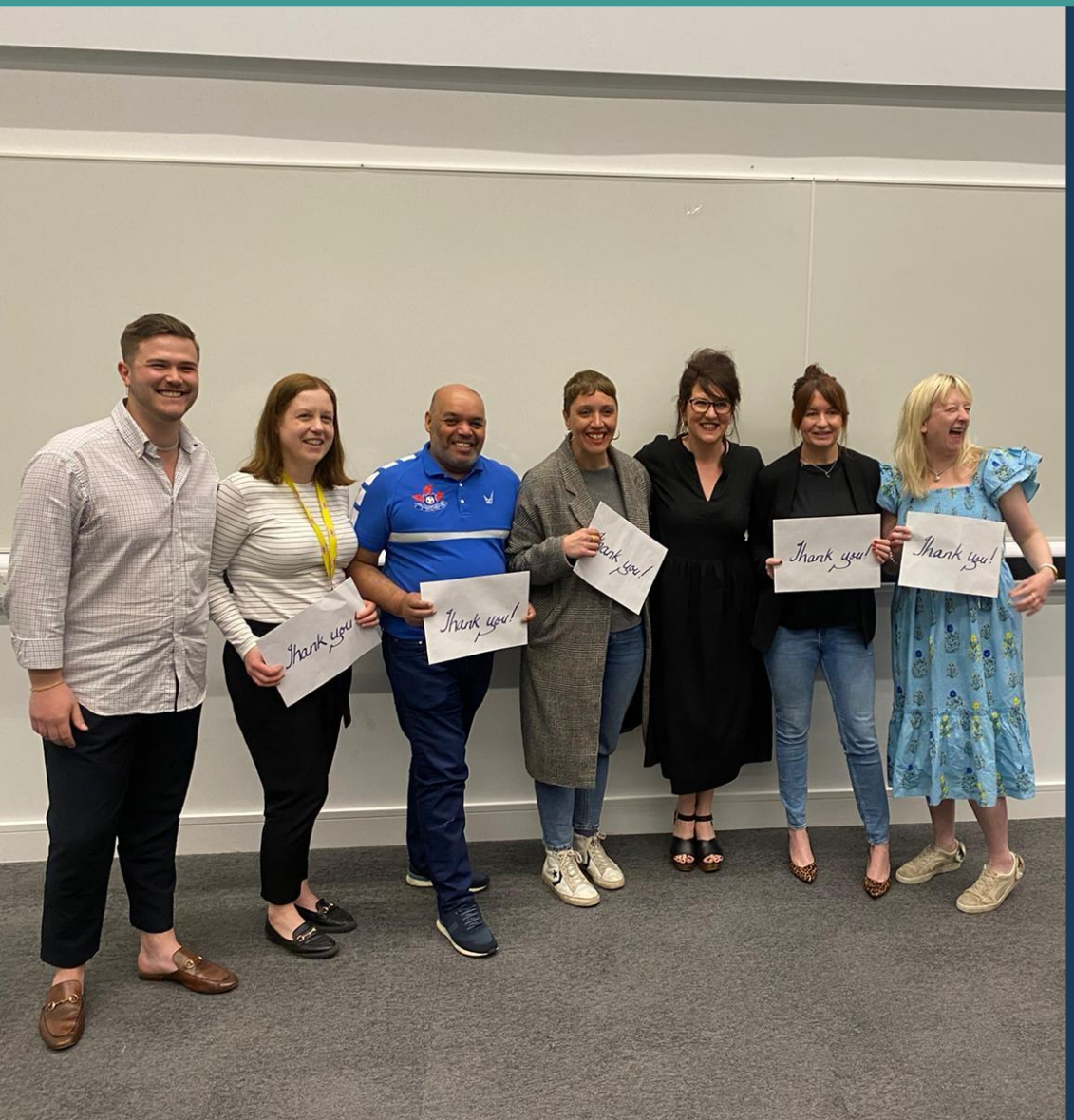
Over the last 12 months Rise has supported PCP both financially and by donating time to help the charity with their new venture.



Paper Cup Project is a Liverpool based charity which supports local rough sleepers & people experiencing homelessness. The team is made up of dedicated volunteers who each do their part in helping those who need support.

THE Paper cup Project

Rise Framework Launch



In March Rise launched our latest framework, with social impact at the heart of everything we do, we wanted to kick start the framework with a show of appreciation for some of our regions small voluntary and charitable organisations.

During the in person launch of the framework Rise invited five small local organisations that make a huge impact across the city region and presented each with a £2,000 donations as a way of thanking them for the work them do.

The five organisations presented donation were:

- An Hour For Others
- Centre 56
- Liverpool Cares
- Liverpool Homeless Football Club
- Paper Cup Project

Rise Framework Launch

The five organisations supported with our through our launch donation are:

Centre 56 is a domestic abuse charity in the heart of North Liverpool. Who provide childcare, information and support for families and children who have suffered, or are at risk of domestic abuse or a crisis situation.

Liverpool Cares tackles loneliness and isolation across the city by bringing older and younger neighbours together to share time, laughter, new experiences and friendship.

Liverpool Homeless Football Club uses social activities to tackle isolation. Including football to engage people who are affected by homelessness.

An Hour For Others bring communities together to inspire positive change through the power of love, unity and kindness. By sharing time and skills to help vulnerable members of our community.

Section 2

This year we have worked with Clients and Suppliers from across the North West and North Wales in the delivery of Framework Projects.

In addition to the Social Impact generated through Rise investment our suppliers also provided additional Social Impact and Charitable activities on behalf of clients and their communities.



Rise Supply Partner Social Value

Workforce on Rise Projects
1,559

Jobs Created or Sustained
243

Charitable Monies Raised
£92,000

Volunteer Hours Donated
2,001



Social Impact Generated
£6.5m

Learning Hours Accessed
2,279

Individuals Trained
299

Experience Days Gained
1,553

Individuals Gaining Experience
39



Supply Partner Social Value- Employment

1,559 Personnel have undertaken activities to help deliver quality projects for our clients this year

100 New Job opportunities were created as a result of contracts secured via Rise.

143 Individuals sustained their employment due to Rise contracts being awarded



Supply Partner Social Value- Training & Education

299 individuals of the supply partner workforces have accessed training to improve their skill sets

Over **42** training programmes or courses have been delivered

5,476 hours of learning have been completed

102 individuals who are either Apprentices, Trainees or Graduates have undertaken or contributed to work on our framework contracts

39 individuals have gained un-paid work experience on site

A total of **1,553** experience days being delivered by the supply partners working on contracts



Supply Partner Social Value- Environmental Impact

Workforce analysis shows **50%** of operatives on Rise projects resided within 10 miles of the contracts they worked on, lowering the potential carbon footprint created by vehicles travelling to site.

Innovative Environmental initiatives that have been adopted by our supply partners include:

- LEV (Local Emission Vehicles) being purchased by suppliers
- Unwanted office furniture and equipment delivered to recycling facilities to be repurposed and upcycled for community use
- Use of FSC timber on projects being adopted
- Introduction of policies that emphasise on local supply chain and local worker recruitment
- PV power solution for the site accommodation to save an estimated 175kg CO2 per day, against diesel powered generation

Section 3

Sections 1 and 2 of our report highlight the impact we have as a framework and the impact delivered by our supply partners.

Section 3, demonstrates the impact of our collective efforts which enables us to amplify our social outcomes - helping to level-up communities.

Importantly, our social value report is created independently to ensure we do not over-calculate any social return on investment.



Rise Social Impact

Social Impact Generated
£7.5m

Individuals Benefitting
1,959



Volunteer Hours Donated
3,363

Charitable Contributions Raised **£132k**

Beneficiaries

1,959 individuals have been directly impacted by either the Social Investments we made this year or the Social Value activities our Framework Suppliers deliver on behalf of clients and their communities.

From creating jobs, offering training, giving work experience, creating new spaces and funding community projects to support the most disadvantaged, Rise and all of our suppliers are continually making an impact through our work.



Volunteering

The Rise team have contributed **1,362** hours of their free time to help local projects.

Framework Suppliers staff have contributed **2,001** hours toward client related social value projects.

A total of **3,363** of volunteer hours have been donated to good causes and communities across the Region.



Fundraising

This year Rise have held events, arranged and participated in fundraisers and helped to promote and enable charitable activities. Through these activities our team have raised **£40,388** going directly into third sector organisations and activities.

Rise Supply Partners fundraising and charitable contributions have resulted in the raising of **£92,104** for causes across the North West and North Wales.

As a whole this years combined total raised by Rise and our Supply Partners is over **£132k** helping to benefit many individuals.



Thank You

We would like to thank the following Supply Partners for contributing to our annual Social Impact Report and for their continuous work delivering Social Value activities for clients and communities.

Actua Chartered Surveyors
ADT Workplace
Bradshaw Gass & Hope LLP
Carefoot
The Casey Group
City Build Manchester
Copeland Group
D&G Builders & Joiners
Ellis Williams Architects
Futureserv
Frank Whittle Partnership
James Mercer Group
John Turner Construction Group
Manchester & Cheshire Construction
Mersey Design Group
Read Construction
RLB
Robertson
SI Sealy
Skyline Property Solutions
Steven Hunt
Unit 3 Design Studio

“We could not complete this report without saying a heart felt thank you to the public sector organisation who make our work possible by choosing to buy social and transform communities.

Our 2022 social journey is well underway and with a cost of living crisis at people's doors coupled with economic uncertainty the importance of public sector organisations supporting communities through social procurement has never been more prevalent.”

Sara Lawton- Director



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