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In today's built environment, delivering a successful project means more than completing on time and on budget. Clients and communities alike expect construction partners to uphold the highest standards of safety, environmental responsibility, and social contribution - while maintaining full regulatory and ethical compliance.

At SOL Services, operational excellence is not an abstract goal. It is embedded into our day-to-day delivery through a clear framework of health and safety, ESG commitments, and social value creation - ensuring every project strengthens performance and reputation.



A Culture of Safety-First Delivery

Health and safety form the foundation of operational excellence in construction. SOL's projects span active public environments, high-risk infrastructure, and complex refurbishment - often in live settings. To mitigate risk and protect both teams and stakeholders, we implement:

- ✚ **Rigorous RAMS** (Risk Assessment and Method Statements)
- ✚ **Daily toolbox talks and safe start procedures**
- ✚ **Trained and accredited teams** (CHAS, SMSTS, CSCS, IOSH)
- ✚ **Regular site audits** and behavioural safety observations
- ✚ **Zero-tolerance approach** to unsafe acts or shortcuts

From trenching and civil works to electrical upgrades and warehouse fitouts, our methodical approach minimises disruption and ensures a safe outcome - every time.



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Embedding ESG: Environment, Social, Governance

Clients increasingly expect measurable ESG outcomes from their construction partners. SOL Services integrates ESG from the planning phase through to post-completion, including:

Environmental

- **Waste reduction & recycling** targets on all sites
- **Energy-efficient systems** and low-emissions plant
- **Minimised transport and embodied carbon** in sourcing
- Support for client **net zero goals**

Social

- Delivery aligned with **Social Value Frameworks** (incl. Social Value Portal)
- **Apprenticeship creation, local job opportunities**, and upskilling initiatives
- Support for **community groups, schools, and charities**
- Respect for local residents, tenants, and operational continuity

Governance

- Transparent reporting structures
- Ethical procurement and anti-bribery policies
- Data protection and digital systems security
- Alignment with **public procurement and Crown Commercial Service** standards

We don't just tick ESG boxes - we deliver outcomes that align with our clients' frameworks and help secure stakeholder trust.



Social Return on Investment (SROI) in Practice

Public sector clients are rightly focused on ensuring every pound spent has lasting community impact. SOL Services delivers measurable SROI by:

- ✚ **Hiring locally**, especially in areas with skills shortages
- ✚ Supporting **minority-owned suppliers and diverse contractors**
- ✚ Contributing to **long-term asset performance** through energy, safety, and accessibility upgrades
- ✚ Creating better working and living environments for end users

Through reporting tools and client dashboards, we quantify the social and economic impact of every major project.



Why It Matters: Reputation, Resilience & Results

In a competitive market, how you deliver is as important as what you deliver. SOL's embedded safety culture, ESG leadership, and social value focus help clients:

- ✚ Meet procurement criteria and compliance standards
- ✚ De-risk delivery and avoid reputational exposure
- ✚ Engage positively with local stakeholders
- ✚ Align capital works with long-term sustainability and inclusion goals

From civil infrastructure to facilities upgrades, we deliver projects with integrity - building not just assets, but community confidence and long-term value.