

'Making a Mark'

Mark Holder Social Impact Declaration

British Association of Social Workers

The British Association of Social Workers (BASW) is a membership organisation, servicing the needs of social workers, social work students and the profession of social work. Social workers support a diverse range of service users throughout the UK. We're here to promote the best possible social work services for all people who may need them, while also securing the wellbeing of social workers.



The BASW Code of Ethics for Social Work is a key reference point for all social workers to inform, enable and empower them to practice within an ethical framework to high standard of practice.

The Social Enterprise Mark criteria includes a requirement for all applicants and renewing Mark Holders to provide 'social impact statements', which illustrate how they are striving to meet their social/environmental objectives.

Below are examples of how **BASW** is Making a Mark, striving to make a difference to society:

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Social inputs – training event and CPD opportunities

We provide training events and other CPD opportunities, open to all social workers in the UK - our programme is a combination of paid for and free of charge events. The cost of these events are significantly subsidised by BASW.

By providing these opportunities, we believe that social workers are better equipped to practice to the highest possible standards and that they can then deliver a better service to the vulnerable people they work with.

Social outputs – attendance at training/CPD events

In 2015, BASW ran approximately **60** training events/CPD opportunities/conferences/seminars and forums on a wide range of topics, including social work as a human rights profession, and conversations with families about alcohol and drugs – effective social work.



In 2015, **1,593** people booked places at these events in 2015.

Social outcomes – influencing policy decisions

Our training and CPD programme is very fluid and reflects both national and localised training needs. We are able to respond quickly to changes in legislation and provide responses to specific training needs.

The work BASW does to influence policy on matters of social work demonstrated how we are helping to improve the situation for service users. By speaking up for the social work profession, social workers and those who need their services, and by campaigning and lobbying in order to have the best possible influence on policy, legislation and practice, we are able to influence decisions that are made that affect a diverse range of service users in the UK.

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