

# SVUK Assurance and Accreditation Calendar 2025

For the Social Value UK (SVUK) Assurance and Accreditation services, there are a number that are managed through application rounds. This document provides an overview of the SVUK Assurance Calendar which outlines all the assurance rounds throughout 2025. This covers applications for:

1. Report Assurance
2. SVI Level 2 Accredited Practitioner and Level 3 Advanced Practitioner status
3. The Social Value Management Certificate (applications for all 3 levels - 'Commit', 'Implement', 'Maximise')

The timelines and process for feedback are outlined in this document below the calendar. There will be 4 rounds for each service.

Fast track applications can be requested by contacting the SVUK Assurance Team directly.

Applications for Level 1 Associate Practitioner status can be made at any time of the year, with results returned in line with the timelines set out in the relevant Terms & Conditions document.

There are a number of assurance services that are not managed via application rounds, with applications possible at any time. These are:

1. Software Accreditation
2. Level 1 Associate Practitioner status\*
3. Fast track Level 2 Accredited Practitioner status
4. Fast track Level 3 Advanced Practitioner status
5. Fast track report assurance
6. Practitioner Status renewals\*

*\*SVUK only processes Level 1 Associate Practitioner Status applications and Practitioner Status renewals from applicants based in the UK. Non-UK applicants should contact Social Value International for more information.*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Results of assurance engagements cannot be released until payment of all outstanding invoices is received.

## Key for calendar:

	Report Assurance application round
	SVI Level 2 Accredited Practitioner and Level 3 Advanced Practitioner status application round
	Social Value Management Certificate application round (all levels)

# Assurance Calendar 2025

January	February	March	April	May	June
<b>1 We New Year's Day</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>1 Sa</b>	<b>1 Sa</b>	<b>1 Tu</b>	1 Th	<b>1 Su</b>
2 Th	<b>2 Su</b>	<b>2 Su</b>	<b>2 We</b>	2 Fr	<b>2 Mo SVMC R2 open</b> <sup>23</sup>
3 Fr	3 Mo <sup>6</sup>	<b>3 Mo SVMC R1 open</b> <sup>10</sup>	<b>3 Th</b>	<b>3 Sa</b>	<b>3 Tu</b>
<b>4 Sa</b>	4 Tu	<b>4 Tu</b>	<b>4 Fr</b>	<b>4 Su</b>	4 We
<b>5 Su</b>	5 We	<b>5 We</b>	<b>5 Sa</b>	<b>5 Mo Early May Bk. Hol.</b> <sup>19</sup>	5 Th
6 Mo <sup>2</sup>	6 Th	<b>6 Th</b>	<b>6 Su</b>	6 Tu	<b>6 Fr</b>
7 Tu	7 Fr	<b>7 Fr</b>	<b>7 Mo</b> <sup>15</sup>	7 We	<b>7 Sa</b>
8 We	<b>8 Sa</b>	<b>8 Sa</b>	8 Tu	8 Th	<b>8 Su</b>
9 Th	<b>9 Su</b>	<b>9 Su</b>	9 We	9 Fr	9 Mo <sup>24</sup>
10 Fr	<b>10 Mo AP L2/L3 R1 open</b> <sup>7</sup>	10 Mo <sup>11</sup>	10 Th	<b>10 Sa</b>	10 Tu
<b>11 Sa</b>	<b>11 Tu</b>	<b>11 Tu</b>	<b>11 Fr RA R2 closed</b>	<b>11 Su</b>	11 We
<b>12 Su</b>	12 We	12 We	<b>12 Sa</b>	<b>12 Mo AP L2/L3 R2 open</b> <sup>20</sup>	12 Th
13 Mo <sup>3</sup>	<b>13 Th</b>	<b>13 Th</b>	<b>13 Su</b>	<b>13 Tu</b>	<b>13 Fr SVMC R2 closed</b>
14 Tu	<b>14 Fr</b>	<b>14 Fr SVMC R1 closed</b>	14 Mo <sup>16</sup>	14 We	<b>14 Sa</b>
15 We	<b>15 Sa</b>	<b>15 Sa</b>	15 Tu	<b>15 Th</b>	<b>15 Su</b>
16 Th	<b>16 Su</b>	<b>16 Su</b>	16 We	<b>16 Fr</b>	16 Mo <sup>25</sup>
17 Fr	<b>17 Mo</b> <sup>8</sup>	17 Mo <sup>12</sup>	17 Th	<b>17 Sa</b>	17 Tu
<b>18 Sa</b>	18 Tu	18 Tu	<b>18 Fr Good Friday</b>	<b>18 Su</b>	18 We
<b>19 Su</b>	<b>19 We</b>	19 We	<b>19 Sa</b>	<b>19 Mo</b> <sup>21</sup>	19 Th
<b>20 Mo RA R1 open</b> <sup>4</sup>	<b>20 Th</b>	20 Th	<b>20 Su</b>	<b>20 Tu</b>	20 Fr
21 Tu	<b>21 Fr AP L2/L3 R1 closed</b>	21 Fr	<b>21 Mo Easter Monday</b> <sup>17</sup>	<b>21 We</b>	<b>21 Sa</b>
22 We	<b>22 Sa</b>	<b>22 Sa</b>	22 Tu	<b>22 Th</b>	<b>22 Su</b>
23 Th	<b>23 Su</b>	<b>23 Su</b>	23 We	<b>23 Fr AP L2/L3 R2 closed</b>	23 Mo <sup>26</sup>
24 Fr	24 Mo <sup>9</sup>	24 Mo <sup>13</sup>	24 Th	<b>24 Sa</b>	24 Tu
<b>25 Sa</b>	25 Tu	25 Tu	25 Fr	<b>25 Su</b>	25 We
<b>26 Su</b>	26 We	26 We	<b>26 Sa</b>	<b>26 Mo Spring Bank Hol.</b> <sup>22</sup>	26 Th
27 Mo <sup>5</sup>	27 Th	27 Th	<b>27 Su</b>	27 Tu	27 Fr
28 Tu	28 Fr	28 Fr	28 Mo <sup>18</sup>	28 We	<b>28 Sa</b>
29 We		<b>29 Sa</b>	29 Tu	29 Th	<b>29 Su</b>
30 Th		<b>30 Su</b>	30 We	30 Fr	<b>30 Mo RA R3 open</b> <sup>27</sup>
31 Fr <b>RA R1 closed</b>		<b>31 Mo RA R2 open</b> <sup>14</sup>		<b>31 Sa</b>	

# Assurance Calendar 2025

July	August	September	October	November	December
1 Tu	1 Fr	1 Mo AP L2/L3 R3 open 36	1 We	1 Sa	1 Mo SVMC R4 open 49
2 We	2 Sa	2 Tu	2 Th	2 Su	2 Tu
3 Th	3 Su	3 We	3 Fr	3 Mo AP L2/L3 R4 open 45	3 We
4 Fr	4 Mo 32	4 Th	4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Th
5 Sa	5 Tu	5 Fr	5 Su	5 We	5 Fr
6 Su	6 We	6 Sa	6 Mo RA R4 open 41	6 Th	6 Sa
7 Mo 28	7 Th	7 Su	7 Tu	7 Fr	7 Su
8 Tu	8 Fr	8 Mo 37	8 We	8 Sa	8 Mo 50
9 We	9 Sa	9 Tu	9 Th	9 Su	9 Tu
10 Th	10 Su	10 We	10 Fr	10 Mo 46	10 We
11 Fr RA R3 closed	11 Mo 33	11 Th	11 Sa	11 Tu	11 Th
12 Sa	12 Tu	12 Fr AP L2/L3 R3 closed	12 Su	12 We	12 Fr SVMC R4 closed
13 Su	13 We	13 Sa	13 Mo 42	13 Th	13 Sa
14 Mo 29	14 Th	14 Su	14 Tu	14 Fr AP L2/L3 R4 closed	14 Su
15 Tu	15 Fr	15 Mo SVMC R3 open 38	15 We	15 Sa	15 Mo 51
16 We	16 Sa	16 Tu	16 Th	16 Su	16 Tu
17 Th	17 Su	17 We	17 Fr RA R4 closed	17 Mo 47	17 We
18 Fr	18 Mo 34	18 Th	18 Sa	18 Tu	18 Th
19 Sa	19 Tu	19 Fr	19 Su	19 We	19 Fr
20 Su	20 We	20 Sa	20 Mo 43	20 Th	20 Sa
21 Mo 30	21 Th	21 Su	21 Tu	21 Fr	21 Su
22 Tu	22 Fr	22 Mo 39	22 We	22 Sa	22 Mo 52
23 We	23 Sa	23 Tu	23 Th	23 Su	23 Tu
24 Th	24 Su	24 We	24 Fr	24 Mo 48	24 We
25 Fr	25 Mo August Bank Hol. 35	25 Th	25 Sa	25 Tu	25 Th Christmas Day
26 Sa	26 Tu	26 Fr SVMC R3 closed	26 Su	26 We	26 Fr Boxing Day
27 Su	27 We	27 Sa	27 Mo 44	27 Th	27 Sa
28 Mo 31	28 Th	28 Su	28 Tu	28 Fr	28 Su
29 Tu	29 Fr	29 Mo 40	29 We	29 Sa	29 Mo 1
30 We	30 Sa	30 Tu	30 Th	30 Su	30 Tu
31 Th	31 Su		31 Fr		31 We

# Report Assurance Rounds

## Number of Rounds:

There will be 4 rounds for Report Assurance in 2025.

## Assurance Steps:

The assurance process runs through the following steps:

1. Applicant submits anonymised version of report for assurance with supporting documentation.
2. Assurance Team undertake first review and will communicate next steps to applicant within 1 week of end of round.
3. If report passes first review, the report is submitted for full anonymous assessment with external assessor. Applicant will receive their invoice.
4. External assessor returns feedback for review by assurance team.
5. First results are sent to applicant and external assessor and applicant are put in touch. This will take place within 5-6 weeks from application date.

At this stage applicants can have 4 different results:

1. Report Assured.
2. Report assured with limitation statement.
3. Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria, but can with an amendment period.
4. Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria.
6. If an applicant receives the result: 'Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria, but can with an amendment period' then the applicant and assessor communicate about feedback (recommendation for telephone call, but can be done over email).
7. Applicant confirms if they are taking their amendment period or not. SVUK will issue the amendment period invoice to the applicant.
8. If taking the amendment period, the applicant can amend their report and liaise with their assessor until the application meets all of the necessary criteria. They will then resubmit their report to the Assurance Team and their assessor via email for final assessment.  
**PLEASE NOTE:** The assessor is only able to give 1 hour of feedback on the initial assessment, and 1 hour of feedback on any amendments.
9. If the report passes the final assurance assessment, then assurance of the report will be provided with one of the following results:
  1. Report Assured.
  2. Report Assured with an attached limitation statement.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Results of assurance engagements cannot be released until payment of all outstanding invoices is received.

## Round Dates:

### **Round 1:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January

Round closes – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Reports assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

Assessors to return results by – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

**Round 2:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Round closes – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

Reports assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April

Assessors to return results by – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

**Round 3:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Round closes – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Reports assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Assessors to return results by – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

**Round 4:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Round closes – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Reports assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Assessors to return results by – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

# Social Value Management Certificate

## Rounds

### Number of rounds:

There will be 4 rounds for Social Value Management Certificate applications in 2025.

### Assurance Steps:

1. Applicants must submit all documents during the round including evidence and criteria form, evidence documents, and Terms & Conditions.
2. Invoice is issued to applicant.
3. Initial review is undertaken by the SVUK Assurance Team.
4. Assessment conducted by SVUK Assurance Team or an approved external assessor.
5. Feedback will be released after a 6-week assessment period.
6. If an amendment period is needed, then this will be issued with a 3-month deadline for the applicant to resubmit further evidence and an updated evidence and criteria form.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Results of assurance engagements cannot be released until payment of all outstanding invoices is received.

### Round Dates:

#### **Round 1:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Round closes – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Feedback released - Week commencing Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April

Amendment period if needed – 3 months

#### **Round 2:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Round closes – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Feedback released - Week commencing Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Amendment period if needed – 3 months

#### **Round 3:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Round closes – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Feedback released – Week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Amendment period if needed – 3 months

#### **Round 4:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Round closes – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Feedback released – Week commencing Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Amendment period if needed – 3 months

# SVI Practitioner Application Rounds

## Number of rounds:

There will be 4 application rounds for Level 2 Accredited Practitioner and Level 3 Advanced Practitioner applications in 2025.

## Levels of SVI Practitioner status:

The SVI Practitioner Pathway is a professional development pathway. There are 3 levels of SVI Practitioner status:

- **Level 1: Associate Practitioner:** Demonstrated theoretical competence in social value and impact management in line with the SVI Framework.
- **Level 2: Accredited Practitioner:** Demonstrated practical competence in the application of social impact and social value assessment in line with the SVI Framework.
- **Level 3: Advanced Practitioner:** Advanced demonstration of practical competence in the application of social impact and social value assessment with all aspects of SVI Framework applied in full.

## Application for Level 1: Associate Practitioner:

Level 1: Associate Practitioner applicants will be tested on their theoretical knowledge through an online Social Value and Impact Management exam.

Applicants can apply for Level 1: Associate Practitioner status at any time throughout the year, and undertake the online exam at a time most convenient for them. Results will then be released according to the timelines outlined in the relevant Terms and Conditions document.

**PLEASE NOTE:** SVUK only processes Level 1 Associate Practitioner Status applications from applicants based in the UK. Non-UK applicants should contact Social Value International for more information.

## Application for Level 2: Accredited Practitioner and Level 3: Advanced Practitioner:

Level 2 and Level 3 Practitioners will be tested on their practical competence in the application of social impact and social value assessment in line with the SVI Framework. Level 3: Advanced Practitioners must show advanced demonstration of practical competence in the application of social impact and social value assessment with all aspects of SVI Framework applied in full.

## Assurance and Accreditation Steps:

The accreditation process runs through the following steps:

1. Applicant submits SVI Level 2 or 3 Practitioner application including report for assurance with supporting documentation.
2. Assurance Team undertake first review of application and will communicate results to applicant within 1 week of end of round.
3. If report passes first review report is submitted for full anonymous assessment with external assessor. Applicant will receive their invoice.
4. External assessor returns feedback for review by assurance team.
5. First results are sent to applicant and external assessor and applicant are put in touch. This will take place within 5-6 weeks from application date.

At this stage applicants can have 4 different results:

1. Report Assured.
  2. Report assured with limitation statement.
  3. Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria, but can with an amendment period.
  4. Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria.
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6. If an applicant receives the result: 'Report does not meet the assurance standard criteria, but can with an amendment period' then the applicant and assessor communicate about feedback (recommendation for telephone call, but can be done over email).
  7. Applicant confirms if they are taking their amendment period or not. SVUK will issue the amendment period invoice to applicant.
  8. If taking the amendment period, the applicant can amend their report and liaise with their assessor until the application meets all of the necessary criteria. They will then resubmit their report to the Assurance Team and their assessor via email for final assurance.
  9. If the report passes the final assurance assessment, then assurance of the report will be provided with one of the following results:
    1. Report Assured.
    2. Report Assured with an attached limitation statement.

***At this stage applicants will need to undertake an interview with a member of the SVUK Assurance Team and their report assessor.***

10. Applicants will undertake an interview which will test their overall knowledge of Social Value and Impact Management, and with specific questions related to the analysis they are using as a part of their application. The interview will last around 1 hour. The interview will take place between 1 and 3 weeks after their final report assurance result.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Results of assurance engagements cannot be released until payment of all outstanding invoices is received.

#### Round Dates:

##### **Round 1:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Round closes – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

Applications assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Assessors to return results by – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Results released to applicants – Week Commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

Interview held within 3 weeks of confirmation of successful report assurance

##### **Round 2:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Round closes – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Applications assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Assessors to return results by – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June



Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

Interview held within 3 weeks of confirmation of successful report assurance

**Round 3:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September

Round closes – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Applications assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Assessors to return results by – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

Interview held within 3 weeks of confirmation of successful report assurance

**Round 4:**

Round opens for applications – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Round closes – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Applications assigned to assessors – Week commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November

Assessors to return results by – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Results released to applicants – Week commencing Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December

Amendment period if needed – 5 weeks

Amendment results expected 1-2 weeks following resubmission of amended report

Interview held within 3 weeks of confirmation of successful report assurance