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Contract

## **Legal Secondment for Lower Thames Crossing (LTC)**

National Highways Limited

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05fffd

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

National Highways Limited

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Birmingham

B4 6GA

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#### **Telephone**

+44 3001235000

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.nationalhighways.co.uk](http://www.nationalhighways.co.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Legal Secondment for Lower Thames Crossing (LTC)

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

A Legal Secondment is required to provide additional legal resource to National Highways in-house legal team to enable it to support the wider Lower Thames Crossing Directorate as required, including but not limited to the provision of at least one secondee to provide a single point of contact from the in-house legal team to support the LTC Directorate.

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

**II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £384,696

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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This additional legal resource may also, amongst other things, provide training, legal support not capable of being given by external law firms (due to e.g. conflict of interest or being out of scope); assist with drafting instructions to external law firms; assist in the interpretation of legal advice from external law firms and interface between issues and the identification of any broader issues which may impact the interests of National Highways in the Lower Thames Crossing Project

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Direct Award through CCS Legal Panel Services Framework RM6360

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

5 January 2026

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

DAC Beachcroft LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £384,696

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom