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Contract

Wealden Heaths - Strategic Recreation Management Evaluation

Natural England

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Natural England seeks a supplier to deliver a high-level analysis of recreation management approaches from other UK and European sites to inform strategy for the Wealden Heaths National Nature Reserve (NNR), a 2,700-hectare lowland heath landscape under high visitor pressure, in Surrey. The work includes reviewing external mitigation projects and funding models, assessing ecological risks, exploring enforcement options, and summarising engagement strategies. The outcome will be a concise evidence-based report with practical recommendations for a locally adapted recreation and biodiversity management strategy. Suppliers should demonstrate expertise in ecological assessment, policy analysis, and stakeholder engagement.

Contract 1

Supplier

- LEPUS CONSULTING LTD

Contract value

- £21,812.50 excluding VAT
- £26,175 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

15 December 2025

Contract dates

- 5 January 2026 to 31 March 2026
- 2 months, 27 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKJ - South East (England)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

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