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Planning

## Artificial Intelligence (AI) Transformation Partner

Gateshead Borough Council

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## Scope

## Reference

IT168

## Description

Gateshead Council is scoping requirements and looking for expressions of interest from suppliers for a multi year contract for an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Transformation Partner.

This partner would work with the Council to provide innovative opportunities for applying AI in the daily operations of the Council.

## Total value (estimated)

- £5,000,000 excluding VAT
- £6,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2031
- 5 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

### **Contract locations**

- UKC22 - Tyneside

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### **Engagement**

#### **Engagement deadline**

23 January 2026

## **Engagement process description**

The Council has issued a questionnaire that can be downloaded via the OPEN tender portal, <https://www.open-uk.org/opportunities>. Interested suppliers will need to register on the portal for access to the questionnaire.

Follow up 1-2-1 meetings will be arranged with suppliers who submit completed questionnaires.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Gateshead Borough Council**

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10002639
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPGY-1151-NJQN

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Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government