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Provision of Internal Audit and Advisory Services (Cross Council Assurance Services)

The London Borough of Barnet

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Scope

Reference

950379686

Description

The London Borough of Barnet wishes to commission the provision of Internal Audit and Advisory services by establishing a framework agreement under two lots. The Council is seeking multiple service providers (Suppliers) to establish two (2) multiple provider lots under a framework agreement on its behalf for an initial three (3) year period from 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029 with the option to extend for a further five (5) years to 31 March 2034, subject to budget constraints and performance.

This framework is intended to operate as an open framework. At the end of the initial three-year period (March 2029), the Authority will conduct a review of supplier engagement through the framework. This review will consider both pricing and performance to determine whether the framework should be opened to extension and enable additional supplier entrants. The criteria and trigger for opening the framework will be developed in consultation with the Authority's Legal team and Procurement service.

This will be communicated to all qualified suppliers on the framework in advance of the review and will be subject to release of appropriate Find a Tender Service notice.

Full detail of this requirement including known risk are identified in the tender documents which can be access from <https://londonbarnet.delta-esourcing.com/>

The Framework is available to Public funded organisations:

local authorities <https://www.gov.uk/find-local-council>

Mayoral Combined Authorities Combined authorities | Local Government Association

Greater London Authority Group <https://www.london.gov.uk/>

London Fire & Emergency Planning Authority <https://www.london-fire.gov.uk/>

Transport for London <https://tfl.gov.uk/>

Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime <https://www.london.gov.uk/programmes-strategies/mayors-office-policing-and-crime-mopac>

London Legacy Development Corporation
<https://www.queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk/legacy-corporation>

GLA Family London & Partners <https://www.londonandpartners.com/>

London TravelWatch <https://www.londontravelwatch.org.uk/>

London Pensions Fund Authority <https://www.lpfa.org.uk/>

London Waste & Recycling Board <https://relondon.gov.uk/about-us>

Museum of London <https://www.londonmuseum.org.uk/>

His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary & Fire & Rescue Services

Health Authorities Councils Boards, Trusts NHS England, NHS provider directory

Registered list of social housing List of registered providers - 16 May 2025 accessible version-GOV.UK

Tenant Management Organisations <https://nftmo.com/about-the-nftmo/membership-2024/>

Arm's Length Management Organisations <https://www.almos.org.uk/about-us/our->

[members/](#)

Higher Education Universities and higher education - GOV.UK

Charities <https://register-of-charities.charitycommission.gov.uk/en/>

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<https://londonbarnet.delta-esourcing.com/delta/viewNotice.html?noticeId=1004930370>

Lot LOT 1. Internal Audit

Description

The London Borough of Barnet and a lead group of local authorities seek a high-quality internal audit service, aligned to the Global Internal Audit Standards, as a vital part of their corporate governance arrangements. Internal audit provides an independent and objective assessment that key risks are being effectively managed across the organisation, whether services are being delivered in-house, are outsourced or are delivered via alternative delivery models. Senior management and the respective Audit Committees are key stakeholders with whom the internal audit service liaise with in order to issue their assurance reports. All lead authorities see that the Internal Audit service has a proactive role in respect of enabling the organisation to deliver change whilst being mindful of risk and having the right controls in place.

Lot LOT 2. Advisory Services

Description

The successful tenderer(s) will provide appropriate resources to the authorities accessing Advisory Services (Cross Council Assurance services) as required for other advisory pieces of work. This could range from helping an authority develop efficiency plans to carrying out independent investigations (including anti-fraud) or supporting consultancy projects of strategic importance.

Contract 1. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Lots

Lot LOT 1. Internal Audit

Suppliers (3)

- Forvis Mazars LLP
- KPMG LLP
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Contract value

- £40,000,000 excluding VAT
- £48,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

23 December 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

15 January 2026

Standstill period

- End: 26 January 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

31 March 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

Description of possible extension:

Contract commences 1 April 2026 for an initial 3 year term with the option to extend for a further 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79212200 - Internal audit services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
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Contract 2. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Lots

Lot LOT 2. Advisory Services

Suppliers (3)

- Forvis Mazars LLP
- KPMG LLP
- PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Contract value

- £60,000,000 excluding VAT
- £72,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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Services

CPV classifications

- 72221000 - Business analysis consultancy services
- 72224000 - Project management consultancy services
- 79212400 - Fraud audit services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411000 - General management consultancy services
- 79412000 - Financial management consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Information about tenders

Lot LOT 1. Internal Audit

- 11 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

- 3 suppliers awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Lot LOT 2. Advisory Services

- 10 tenders received
 - 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
 - 3 suppliers awarded contracts
 - 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)
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Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Suppliers

Forvis Mazars LLP

- Companies House: OC308299

30 Old Bailey

London

EC4M 7AU

United Kingdom

Email: graeme.clarke@mazars.co.uk

Region: UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Contract 2. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

KPMG LLP

- Companies House: OC301540

15 Canada Square

London

E14 5GL

United Kingdom

Email: Neil.Hewitson@kpmg.co.uk

Region: UKI42 - Tower Hamlets

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Contract 2. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

- Companies House: OC303525

1 Embankment Place

London

WC2N 6RH

United Kingdom

Email: rachel.z.taylor@pwc.com

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Contract 2. Internal Audit & Advisory Services

Contracting authority

The London Borough of Barnet

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQGD-7479-CGVN

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NW9 4EW

United Kingdom

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government