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Tender

Social Return on Investment and Impact Evaluation Framework for Digital Inclusion - Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

Cambridgeshire County Council

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Scope

Description

Connecting Cambridgeshire seeks specialist expert support to establish a robust, nationally aligned yet locally tailored approach to evidencing the social and economic impact of digital inclusion initiatives across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough. The supplier will develop a standardised Social Return on Investment (SROI) and general Impact Evaluation framework, validate it through an analysis of existing initiatives, and deliver a practical toolkit to enable ongoing, credible impact reporting that strengthens funding bids, business cases and stakeholder confidence. The framework should also be usable for forecasting SROI and Impact in relation to projects being scoped. The output should be scalable and flexible, including recommendations that support not only Connecting Cambridgeshire's work, but the wider network of digital inclusion partners in the region. These include Peterborough Council for Voluntary Service (PCVS), Cambridgeshire Digital Partnership, Cambridge Online, and each of the digital hub managers awarded grants since the beginning of 2025. The supplier is expected to design and deliver a comprehensive approach to evidencing the social and economic impacts of a range of digital inclusion initiatives.

Total value (estimated)

- £50,000 excluding VAT
- £60,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 16 February 2026 to 10 April 2026
- Possible extension to 8 May 2026
- 2 months, 21 days

Description of possible extension:

4-week extension by agreement with the Authority

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73300000 - Design and execution of research and development

Contract locations

- UKH11 - Peterborough
- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

27 January 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

3 February 2026, 5:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please submit via ProContract. - <https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=b65a63ad-caef-f011-813c-005056b64545&fromAdvertEvent=True>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality		Quality	70.00%
Price	There is a Maximum budget of £50,000 excluding vat for this project. bids exceeding this amount could be rejected unless there is clear rationale for costs exceeding the budget value stated.	Cost	30.00%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Cambridgeshire County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJVB-3262-VGVJ

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government