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## **Mortuary Facilities and Pathology Services**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-060a40

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

SMBC 25041

### **Description**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council (SMBC), through its Registration Services, acts as the relevant authority for the Black Country Coroners Service. The jurisdiction of the Black Country Coroners Service encompasses the four local authority areas of Sandwell, Walsall, Dudley, and Wolverhampton. To support the delivery of coronial responsibilities, the provision of mortuary and pathology services across the Black Country region will be procured under this contract. The services will be divided into four (4) Lots, each corresponding to one of the local authority areas.

Each Lot represents the provision of mortuary and pathology services specific to the corresponding local authority area. The criteria for each lot will be the same, where TUPE arrangements may apply. Further details regarding the requirements for each Lot can be found in Schedule 5 - Specification. The contract is divided into the following lots: Lot 1 - Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council Lot 2 - Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council Lot 3 - City of Wolverhampton Council and Lot 4 - Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £1,960,000 excluding VAT
- £2,352,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2030
- 4 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 85111800 - Pathology services
- 85145000 - Services provided by medical laboratories
- 98370000 - Funeral and related services
- 98371200 - Undertaking services

## **Not the same for all lots**

Contract locations are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 1. Lot 1**

### **Description**

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £490,000 excluding VAT
- £588,000 including VAT

### **Contract locations**

- UKG37 - Sandwell

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 2. Lot 2**

### **Description**

Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

## **Lot value (estimated)**

- £490,000 excluding VAT
- £588,000 including VAT

## **Contract locations**

- UKG38 - Walsall

## **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 3. Lot 3**

### **Description**

City of Wolverhampton Council

## **Lot value (estimated)**

- £490,000 excluding VAT
- £588,000 including VAT

## **Contract locations**

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

## **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 4. Lot 4**

### **Description**

Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £490,000 excluding VAT
- £588,000 including VAT

### **Contract locations**

- UKG36 - Dudley

## **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

9 February 2026, 5:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

16 February 2026, 3:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc>

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

13 March 2026

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### **Award criteria**

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	Please refer to criteria in ITT documents	Price

### **Weighting description**

Please refer to criteria in ITT documents

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PJHD-8764-YRJJ

Sandwell Council House, Freeth Street

Oldbury

B69 3DE

United Kingdom

Contact name: Michelle Hackwood

Email: [michelle\\_hackwood@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:michelle_hackwood@sandwell.gov.uk)

Website: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/sandwellmbc>

Region: UKG37 - Sandwell

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

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## Other organisations

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

### Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council

Summary of their role in this procurement: Overseeing the procurement process

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWYJ-3537-GLBW

Priory Road

Dudley

DY1 1HF

United Kingdom

Contact name: Penny Fulford

Email: [penny.fulford@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:penny.fulford@dudley.gov.uk)

Website: <http://www.dudley.gov.uk>

Region: UKG36 - Dudley

## **Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council**

Summary of their role in this procurement: Overseeing the procurement process

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHGR-7481-DHXR

Civic Centre, Darwall Street

Walsall

WS1 1TP

United Kingdom

Contact name: Sarah Ann Unwin

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Website: <http://www.walsall.gov.uk>

Region: UKG38 - Walsall

## **City of Wolverhampton Council**

Summary of their role in this procurement: Overseeing the procurement process

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVBV-7568-LBLL

Civic Centre, St Peter's Square

Wolverhampton

WV1 1RL

United Kingdom

Contact name: Corporate Procurement

Email: [corporate.procurement@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:corporate.procurement@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

Website: <http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk>

Region: UKG39 - Wolverhampton

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## Contact organisation

Contact [Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council](#) for any enquiries.