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Tender

West Northamptonshire Council - Point of Care Testing (POCT) Equipment and Support Framework for NHS Health Check Services

West Northamptonshire Council

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Scope

Reference

WNC00000596

Description

West Northamptonshire Council is seeking to establish a single-supplier framework agreement for the provision of Point of Care Testing (POCT) equipment and associated support services for use within the NHS Health Check programme.

The scope of the framework includes the supply, maintenance, repair and replacement of POCT equipment. The POCT equipment and services will be used by GP practices and other providers commissioned by the Council to deliver NHS Health Checks. The delivery of NHS Health Checks themselves is out of scope of this procurement and is commissioned separately.

Call-off contracts will be awarded under the framework in accordance with the framework

terms. The framework will operate for an initial period of 12 months, with the option to extend for up to two further periods of 12 months.

The full scope and requirements are set out in the tender documentation.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £350,000 excluding VAT
- £420,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2029
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The contract will be awarded for an initial period of 12 months. The Authority may, at its sole discretion, extend the contract for up to two further periods of 12 months each, subject to continued operational need, satisfactory performance, and the availability of funding. Any extension will be on the same terms and conditions as the original contract.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33124100 - Diagnostic devices

Contract locations

- UKF24 - West Northamptonshire

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

The framework will operate as a single-supplier framework agreement. Call-off contracts will be awarded by the Authority in accordance with the framework terms, without reopening competition. Prices will be determined in accordance with the schedule of rates submitted at tender stage. Call-off contracts will be placed by issuing a purchase order for the required goods and services, having regard to the specific requirement.

Award method when using the framework

Without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

20 February 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

27 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Tenders must be submitted electronically via the West Northamptonshire Council e-procurement portal (In-Tend): <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/wnc>

Tender responses must be completed and submitted through the portal by the stated deadline. Submissions by email, post or other means will not be accepted.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

17 March 2026

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 27 January 2029

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality	Scoring criteria is detailed within the Tender documents.	Quality	50%
Price	Scoring criteria is detailed within the Tender documents.	Price	50%

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/wnc/aspx/Home>

Tender documents, including the Invitation to Tender, Service Specification, pricing schedule and draft framework agreement, are available via the West Northamptonshire Council e-procurement portal (In-Tend). Interested suppliers must register on the portal to access the documents and submit a response.

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/wnc/aspx/Home>

Contracting authority

West Northamptonshire Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government