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## **Craignure Pier & Ferry Terminal Works**

Argyll and Bute Council

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00063](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00063)

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Craignure Pier & Ferry Terminal Works

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 45241300 - Pier construction work

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

**II.1.4) Short description**

The existing pier and passenger facilities at Craignure are life expired and new infrastructure will support the deployment of new vessels on the route and wider ferry network as follows:

- Replace the existing terminal infrastructure, parts of which are in poor condition, deteriorating or have limited structural capacity.
- Increase berth capacity at the new ferry terminal to allow the full range of design vessels to be safely accommodated.
- Ensure vessels can reliably berth year-round at the new ferry terminal, including in challenging weather conditions and overnight, to reduce weather-related cancellations and improve the winter timetable.
- Increase resilience of the new ferry terminal operations.
- Allow safe and efficient embarkation and disembarkation for both vehicles and foot passengers, including those with impaired mobility and wheelchair users.
- Increase capacity of the new vehicle marshalling yard in line with industry standards, addressing congestion on the A849.
- Provide a new terminal building with modern facilities, meeting staff and passenger demand.
- Provide access for RNLi lifeboat, which is used for medical evacuations from Mull to the mainland; and
- Maintain the operational ferry service during construction works, avoiding and minimising disruption to the ferry service as far as practicable.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 45213341 - Ferry terminal building construction work

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute

Main site or place of performance

Craignure, Argyll

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 December 2025

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The estimated date of tendering is currently Q3/Q4(2025).

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=793096](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=793096).

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