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Award

## Archaeology Project Contractor

UNIVERSITY OF EXETER

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## Scope

## Reference

UOE/2025/084/CH

## Description

This opportunity is for an Archaeology Project Contractor to facilitate community-focused archaeological investigations of a Roman villa complex and multi-phase settlement on land at Battens Farm and Watton Farm, Halberton, Devon, including all post-excavation assessment, analysis and publication. The project is expected to begin in February 2026 and be completed by October 2030.

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## **Contract 1. Archaeology Project Contractor**

### **Supplier**

- COTSWOLD ARCHAEOLOGY LIMITED

### **Contract value**

- £185,000 excluding VAT
- £222,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Award decision date**

28 January 2026

### **Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers**

30 January 2026

### **Standstill period**

- End: 11 February 2026
- 8 working days

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

13 February 2026

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 27 February 2026 to 31 October 2030
- 4 years, 8 months, 2 days

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 71351914 - Archaeological services

## **Contract locations**

- UKK4 - Devon

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## **Information about tenders**

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

### Procedure type

Open procedure

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## Supplier

### COTSWOLD ARCHAEOLOGY LIMITED

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDHL-3945-QCTM

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Region: UKK15 - Wiltshire CC

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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## Contracting authority

### UNIVERSITY OF EXETER

- Companies House: RC000653
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZYG-2396-XCRZ

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Website: <http://www.exeter.ac.uk>

Region: UKK43 - Devon CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government