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**Planning** 

# **Translation and Interpretation Services Framework**

East Sussex County Council

UK2: Preliminary market engagement notice - Procurement Act 2023 - <u>view information</u> <u>about notice types</u>

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# Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The previous version is still available.

### Scope

#### Reference

4783

### **Description**

East Sussex County Council (ESCC) requires translation and interpreting services in order to meet our commitment to delivering accessible and effective services to the diverse communities within the County.

ESCC currently acts as lead authority for an Interpreting and Translation Framework which is also accessed by Brighton & Hove City Council, Surrey County Council, West Sussex County Council, NHS Trusts, and District and Borough Councils across East and West Sussex and Surrey.

The current framework began on 1st January 2022 and is due to expire on the 31st December 2025.

This event is to explain what services we anticipate are needed, provide information on the current Framework and the current thinking about potential changes for the next iteration, and to allow for questions or comments on our proposals.

#### Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

### **Total value (estimated)**

• £10,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2029
- Possible extension to 31 December 2031

•	6	years
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### Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

- 48740000 Foreign language translation software package
- 72212740 Foreign language translation software development services
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

### **Contract locations**

• UKJ - South East (England)

### **Engagement**

# **Engagement deadline**

30 April 2025

# **Engagement process description**

A Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) event to take place virtually via the Microsoft 'Teams' App with ESCC hosting.

DATE: Wednesday 9th April 2025

TIME: 10.00 until 12.00

If your organisation wishes to attend this event then please email <a href="mailto:procurement@eastsussex.gov.uk">procurement@eastsussex.gov.uk</a> by: 12.00 on Tuesday 8th April 2025.

Please state in the subject line of your request email:

"T & I Framework"

Planned Agenda

- 1. Introduction to the County Council
- 2. The Current Framework
- 3. The Proposed Framework
- 4. Our Questions for Suppliers
- 5. Procurement Process
- 6. Supplier Questions
- 7. Next Steps

# **Participation**

### Particular suitability

• Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

• Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

### **Submission**

# Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

6 May 2025

### **Contracting authority**

# **East Sussex County Council**

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Region: UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government