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Contract

## **Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme - Regional Supplier Contract - Lincs**

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

100 Parliament Street

London

SW1A 2BQ

#### **Contact**

Contract Management Team

#### **Email**

[bduksuppliers@bduk.gov.uk](mailto:bduksuppliers@bduk.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme - Regional Supplier Contract - Lincs

Reference number

C0511

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.2) Description**

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

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKF3 - Lincolnshire

Main site or place of performance

Lincolnshire and East Riding

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

BDUK intends to award a number of Regional Supplier Contracts over the life of the Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme. The UK Government has confirmed that approximately £5 billion will be allocated to target the final 20% (f20), the hardest to reach parts of the UK. BDUK will be targeting its market intervention in these areas of the UK via a programme to subsidise the design, build and operation of gigabit-capable Supplier networks providing long-term, sustainable availability of wholesale gigabit broadband services in the hardest to reach parts of the UK.

The Regional Supplier Contracts are intended to be for larger numbers of premises than those covered under contracts placed under the Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Dynamic Purchasing System: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/013574-2021?origin=SearchResults&p=1>

The focus of the Regional Supplier Contracts is to target the build of gigabit-capable broadband infrastructure in the final 20% (f20) of the country that is not commercially viable for the market to design, build and operate without government intervention.

This procurement is for the award of Regional Supplier Contract for Lincolnshire and East Riding.

This Contract concerns the delivery of a gigabit-capable network for an estimated total number of 73,834 premises comprising 44,893 in the initial scope and 28,941 in the deferred scope. BDUK intends to make available £118,978,000 of public funding available for this contract.

The estimated total number of premises indicated above comprises of an Initial Scope for specified premises and a deferred list of premises (“Deferred Scope”) for further specified premises. The Deferred Scope will be authorised by BDUK after the contract's Effective Date in accordance with Clause 6 (Deferred Scope Authorisation) of the Regional Supplier Contract Terms and Conditions. The number of premises in the Deferred Scope may be subject to amendment prior to authorisation, in particular as a result of further reviews of the commercial viability of the premises.

Suppliers interested in this Regional Supplier Contract should submit a completed Standard Selection Questionnaire in order to be considered to be invited to tender. All suppliers meeting the selection criteria will be invited to tender. The selection criteria are set out in the procurement documents and are available at the address described in the additional information section.

The provision of subsidy will be provided in accordance with the UK subsidy control regime.

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

29 June 2024

End date

29 June 2034

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years

2014/25/EU justification

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

C0511

### **Lot No**

23

### **Title**

Gigabit Infrastructure Subsidy Programme - Regional Supplier Contract - Lincs

## **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:**

29 June 2024

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Quickline Communications Ltd

Willerby

HU10 6DN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £118,978,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Contract Standard Selection Questionnaire (SQ), Regional Supplier Contract ITT and Regional Supplier Contract will be available to Suppliers via our e-tendering system. Suppliers must register onto the system to have access to view these documents. Registration is free to Suppliers and the link to the e-tendering site can be found here; <https://bduk.force.com/s/Welcome>

DCMS reserves the right not to award a Regional Supplier Contract under this procurement, to cancel the procurement process at any time and to change the procurement process (including any requirement or deadline).

DCMS reserves the right not to proceed with, to cancel or to adjust the Deferred Scope as referred to in II.2.4 above, in particular as a result of the authorisation process provided for in the contract.

DCMS shall not be responsible for any costs, charges or expenses incurred by Suppliers and accepts no liability for any costs, charges or expenses in relation to the process to award the Regional Supplier Contract, including if the procurement process is cancelled, amended or delayed.

Suppliers are advised that DCMS is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "Act") If a Supplier considers that any of the information supplied as part of this procurement procedure should not be disclosed because of its commercial sensitivity, confidentiality or otherwise, it must, when providing this information, clearly identify the specific information it does not wish to be disclosed and clearly specify the reasons for its sensitivity. DCMS shall take such statements into consideration in the event that it receives a request pursuant to the Act which relates to the information provided by the interested party. Please note that it is not sufficient to include a statement of confidentiality encompassing all the information provided in the response.

DCMS will follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) to award the Regional Supplier Contract.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand, Holborn

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.find-court-tribunal.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>

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## Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

### VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

#### VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKF3 - Lincolnshire

Main site or place of performance

Lincolnshire and East Riding

#### VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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**VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

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End date

29 June 2034

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The contract is divided into three stages (Stage 1 design six months, Stage 2 build four years and Stage 3 Monitor and Clawback seven years)

**VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£122,736,636

**VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Quickline Communications Ltd

Willerby

HU10 6DN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Following the modification, the awarded contract value has increased by £3,758,636 to £122,736,636 from the original value of £118,978,000. The awarded premises have increased by 4,003 to a total of 75,985 from the original 71,982.

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

Additional scope added to the contract in accordance with the UK subsidy control regime

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £118,978,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £122,736,636