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Planning

PME - Digital Local Plan (Discovery and Alpha Phases)

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

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Scope

Description

The scope of this Contract is to define the technical requirements for creating, managing, and publishing a Digital Local Plan (DLP) that aligns with the UK Government's digital planning reforms under the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023. This includes outlining requirements for ways of working, project management, and the delivery of the Discovery and Alpha phases.

The project will be delivered through the Discovery and Alpha phases, in line with the GDS Service Design Manual. The Discovery phase is intended to develop a detailed understanding of the problem space and to inform the technical requirements for the Alpha phase.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 April 2026 to 31 October 2026
- Possible extension to 30 April 2027

- 1 year, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

31 December 2024

The engagement was carried out before this notice was published.

Engagement process description

Informal discussions were undertaken by City of London officers with approximately six companies known to the City for their experience in delivering the Discovery and Alpha stages of product development, as well as their awareness of the UK digital planning landscape. These discussions took place throughout 2024 to explore the technical “art of the possible”, alongside indicative costs, timescales, and the different approaches that could be taken to delivering the work.

No further market consultation was considered necessary. The City plans to publish an Open Tender for the Digital Local Plan (Discovery and Alpha phases) contract in early February 2026, currently anticipated to be released on or around 5 February 2026.

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https://cityoflondon.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/esop/toolkit/registration/displayRegistration.si?isOnModification=true&_ncp=1770222205466.143485-3

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

5 February 2026

Contracting authority

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