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Contract

WP4017 - Waste Transfer Station and Household Waste Recycling

Walsall Council

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Scope

Reference

WP4017

Description

Walsall Council has built a new Waste Transfer Station (WTS) and Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) in Middlemore Lane, Aldridge to replace Fryers Road WTS and to become the main HWRC within the borough. The transition to Middlemore Lane requires considerable flexibility and a short-term increase in resources to enable the move, provide a fully operational site when construction is complete and to decommission Fryers Road.

Walsall requires a waste management provider to operate and manage the existing HWRCs and enable the transition to the Middlemore Lane site.

The contract is for a two-year term to enable this transition to be successfully completed.

Contract 1. WP4017 - Waste Transfer Station and Household Waste Recycling Centre Management

Supplier

- SUEZ Recycling and Recovery UK Limited

Contract value

- £7,000,000 excluding VAT
- £8,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

2 January 2026

Contract dates

- 5 January 2026 to 4 January 2028
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90000000 - Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services

Contract locations

- UKG38 - Walsall

Key performance indicators

Name	Reporting frequency
WTS availability	3 months
HWRC availability	3 months
Tonnes of household waste arising from the HWRC re-used	3 months

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Additional or repeat goods, services or works - further goods, services or works following a competitive procedure

Suez Recycling and Recovery UK Ltd ("Suez") have held a contract for the operation and management of the two existing HWRCs in Fryers Road and Merchants Way, the operation and management of the WTS in Fryers Road, and the provision of transport and haulage for materials being sent for disposal since 1 April 2014.

Walsall intends to directly award a short term (2-year) open book contract to Suez for services which are intended as an extension to and partial replacement of the existing services. A change of supplier in these circumstances would:

require a substantial mobilisation period for the new provider to be able to deliver services from Walsall's existing sites. This delay would be incompatible with Walsall's ongoing operations and could result in Walsall Council not being able to dispose of household waste and recycling collected which could result in waste not being collected and resulting in public health issues.

result in substantial duplication of costs associated with a new supplier mobilising their operation at a site shortly to be decommissioned.

cause substantial loss of Suez's existing familiarity with Walsall's requirements, putting at risk a smooth and timely transition to the new site. Walsall and Suez have established collaborative working practices which another provider could not acquire within the necessary timeframes.

cause disproportionate operational difficulties at a time when additional support and resources are required during the transition to Middlemore Lane. Maintaining the existing relationship with Suez allows Walsall to access greater flexibility and resilience during this critical period of change.

A competitive tendering process for a long-term supplier to the new site is intended to commence within 12 months of the contract start date. Walsall Council has already published a UK1: Pipeline notice - Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-036938 for this new contract and intends to commence formal preliminary market engagement by May 2026.

Supplier

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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

Walsall Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government