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Tender

## **NOVUM Festival Event Safety & Production Management and Production Supply**

Newcastle City Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0649ac

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

To procure the provision of event safety management, production management, and supply of production goods and services for NOVUM Festival over a maximum of three years.

Newcastle City Council seeks to appoint an organisation to deliver production and event safety management, with expertise in delivering complex, multi-site, multi-artform cultural events. This role is critical to the success of NOVUM, ensuring the festival is delivered to the highest standards of technical excellence, operational efficiency, and public safety.

NOVUM is a vibrant, multi-artform summer festival that takes place annually in Newcastle upon Tyne.

This opportunity is published via the Open E-Procurement tendering portal.

Late submissions will not be accepted. Please search for this opportunity (Reference - OPEN2026161) via the following website: <https://www.open-uk.org/>.

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

- £600,000 excluding VAT
- £720,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2028
- Possible extension to 1 April 2029
- 3 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

One optional 12 month extension.

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 79952100 - Cultural event organisation services

### **Contract locations**

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear
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## Participation

### Particular suitability

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

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## Submission

### Tender submission deadline

5 March 2026, 11:59pm

### Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.open-uk.org>

### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

### Languages that may be used for submission

English

### Award decision date (estimated)

15 March 2026

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## Award criteria

| Name    | Type    | Weighting |
|---------|---------|-----------|
| Quality | Quality | 80%       |
| Price   | Price   | 20%       |

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## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

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## Contracting authority

Newcastle City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBHM-6848-TWYG

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Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government