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## Provision of Legal Services

NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED

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## Scope

## Reference

Project\_40807

## Description

Network Rail is procuring the supply of a full range of legal services to support the delivery of its objectives for the period from 1 April 2026 – 31st March 2031.

The Framework will be let through the following structure:

Core Lots

- Lot 1 - Legal Services England and Wales
- Lot 2 - Legal Services Scotland

Specialist Lots

- Lot 3 - Rail Regulatory

- Lot 4 - Health, Safety and Environment (advice for major incidents)
- Lot 5 - Parliamentary Agents

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £215,000,000 excluding VAT
- £258,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2033
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

There are two extension options each of 1 year.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 79100000 - Legal services
- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79112100 - Stakeholders representation services
- 79130000 - Legal documentation and certification services
- 79131000 - Documentation services
- 79132000 - Certification services
- 79132100 - Electronic signature certification services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

## **Not the same for all lots**

Contract locations are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales**

### **Description**

Lot 1 - England and Wales. Please see Instructions to Participants for further detail within Bravo.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £174,500,000 excluding VAT
- £208,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Contract locations**

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKI - London
- UKL - Wales

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland**

### **Description**

Lot 2 - Scotland. Please see Instructions to Participants for further detail within Bravo.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £15,000,000 excluding VAT
- £18,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Contract locations**

- UKM - Scotland

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 3. Rail Regulatory**

### **Description**

Lot 3 - Rail Regulatory Services. Please see Instructions to Participants for further detail within Bravo.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £9,000,000 excluding VAT
- £10,800,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

### **Description**

Lot 4 Health, Safety & Environment - Major Incidents. Please see Instructions to Participants for further detail within Bravo.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £800,000 excluding VAT
- £9,600,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

### **Description**

Lot 5 - Parliamentary Agents. Please see Instructions to Participants for further detail within Bravo.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £8,500,000 excluding VAT
- £10,200,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Framework**

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

Unlimited

### **Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers**

0%

### **Framework operation description**

Prices will be determined for direct awards through the tender process. Prices for mini-competitions will be achieved through the competition but cannot exceed the rates

submitted at tender.

Property Litigation and Non-Litigation Fixed Fees will be set as per details in the Instructions to Participants.

Full details are within the Scope of Services

### **Award method when using the framework**

Either with or without competition

### **Contracting authorities that may use the framework**

Establishing party only

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## **Participation**

### **Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales**

**Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland**

**Lot 3. Rail Regulatory**

**Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

**Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

Please see PSQ for financial and insurance conditions of participation.

### **Technical ability conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales**



**Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland**

**Lot 3. Rail Regulatory**

**Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

**Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

There are a number of qualification questions as well as technical experience questions that will be scored to determine the suppliers to be selected to tender.

### **Particular suitability**

**Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales**

**Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland**

**Lot 3. Rail Regulatory**

**Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

**Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

11 April 2025, 11:00am

### **Submission type**

Requests to participate

### **Deadline for requests to participate**

25 April 2025, 11:00am

## **Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Mandatory pqq for all Lots PQQ 3652

Lot 1 PQQ 3653

Lot 2 PQQ 3670

Lot 3 PQQ 3671

Lot 4 PQQ 3672

Lot 5 PQQ 3673

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

## **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

## **Suppliers to be invited to tender**

### **Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales**

Maximum 8 suppliers

Selection criteria:

All invited to the ITT will need to have passed the pass/fail psq questions, not be on the

debarment list and will be the 8 highest scoring participants.

## **Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland**

Maximum 5 suppliers

Selection criteria:

All invited to the ITT will need to have passed the pass/fail psq questions, not be on the debarment list and will be the 5 highest scoring participants.

## **Lot 3. Rail Regulatory**

## **Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

Maximum 5 suppliers

Selection criteria:

All invited to the ITT will need to have passed the pass/fail psq questions, not be on the debarment list and will be the 5 highest scoring participants.

## **Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

Maximum 5 suppliers

Selection criteria:

All invited to the ITT will need to have passed the pass/fail psq questions, not be on the debarment list and will be the 5 highest scoring participants.

## **Award decision date (estimated)**

29 December 2025

## Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 31 January 2030

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### Award criteria

#### Lot 1. Legal Services England & Wales

Name	Type	Weighting
Pricing Schedule	Price	35%
Service Delivery	Quality	15%
Team Details	Quality	15%
Culture and Partnership Approach	Quality	10.8%
Social Value	Quality	10.2%
Innovation	Quality	9%
Pricing Schedule - Property Fixed Fee	Price	5%

#### Lot 2. Legal Services - Scotland

Name	Type	Weighting
Pricing Schedule	Price	35%
Service Delivery	Price	15%
Team Details	Quality	15%
Culture and Partnership Approach	Quality	10.8%
Social Value	Quality	10.2%
Innovation	Quality	9%
Pricing Schedule - Property Fixed Fees	Price	5%

#### Lot 3. Rail Regulatory

Name	Type	Weighting
Pricing Schedule	Price	35%
Service Delivery	Quality	15%
Team Details	Price	15%

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## **Lot 4. Health, Safety and Environment Major Incidents**

## **Lot 5. Parliamentary Agents**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Pricing Schedule	Price	40%
Service Delivery	Quality	15%
Team Details	Quality	15%
Culture and Partnership Approach	Quality	10.8%
Social Value	Quality	10.2%
Innovation	Quality	9%

## **Other information**

### **Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

## **Procedure**

## **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

## **Special regime**

Light touch

## **Competitive flexible procedure description**

A procurement specific questionnaire will be issued with up to 8 participants invited for Lot 1 to ITT and 5 for Lots 2, 3, 4 & 5.

All invited to the ITT will need to have passed the pass/fail psq questions, not be on the debarement list and will be the highest scoring participants. These participants will then be invited to the ITT. The ITT will comprise of a written submission and presentations.

The four highest scoring suppliers at ITT will be appointed to the Lot 1 framework and the two highest scoring suppliers will be appointed to Lot 2, 3, 4 & 5.

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## **Documents**

### **Associated tender documents**

[Legal Services Instructions to Participants - FINAL.pdf](#)

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## **Contracting authority**

## **NETWORK RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE LIMITED**

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