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## **Monitoring of Contaminants in UK cereals used for processing food & animal feed**

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Middlemarch Business Park

Coventry

CV3 4SU

#### **Contact**

Julia Burger

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/agriculture-and-horticulture-development-board>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Agriculture

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Monitoring of Contaminants in UK cereals used for processing food & animal feed

Reference number

2024-741

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Food security and safety remains a priority issue for UK agriculture. There is need for continued investment in this work, as ensuring the safety and quality of the major UK cereals for human consumption and animal feed remains a top priority for the agricultural industry.

Continued monitoring of contaminants in cereals across the supply chain is essential in order to provide scientific evidence and assure the cereal industry their products are safe, and of good quality, for use in the domestic and export markets. The data generated by previous phases of the project has been used to inform discussions on new legislation and growing demands on supply, as well as be a vital source to demonstrate due diligence.

AHDB is looking for a contractor to undertake the new phase of this project over the next 2 years, with the potential to extend for a further 3 years in 12-month increments (1 August 2025 to 31 July 2030).

The main purpose of this project is to provide an independent survey of the incidence and levels of key contaminants in representative samples of UK-grown cereals (wheat, barley and oats) and co-products (wheatfeed and oatfeed), to ensure they meet legal compliance guideline limits and are safe for human consumption and animal feed. The project will also monitor current and emerging legislation and contaminant issues which could impact on the safety of cereal-based foods and their acceptability in key home and overseas markets.

Closing date by 12noon on the 14 May 2025

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,087,500

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 77100000 - Agricultural services
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#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 90

Price - Weighting: 10

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,087,500

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

Start date

1 August 2025

End date

31 July 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **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.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

14 May 2025

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

14 May 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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

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