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Contract

## **Provision of Legal Services - Framework Agreement - Procurement Solicitors 2026**

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

P0557

### **Description**

The Housing Executive have awarded a three member Framework Agreement, covering the whole of Northern Ireland, to meet all of the requirements of the Housing Executive for external solicitors in connection with public procurement matters and disputes ("the Services" as defined and particularised in the Specification of Requirements document).

### **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

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## **Framework**

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

0%

### **Framework operation description**

The Housing Executive have awarded up to three places onto this Framework Agreement, ranked as per the outcome of the tendering process, i.e. Contractors will be ranked in places 1-3. The award of Retainers will be done in rotation with the Contractor in first place being offered the first requirement for Services that will be issued via the Framework Agreement. The next Retainer will be offered to the Contractor in second place on the Framework Agreement with the third Retainer being offered to the Contractor in third position. This procedure of rotation will be carried out throughout the duration of the Framework Agreement. Please see the document entitled 'P0557 - Framework Management Document' which was published with the Tender Documentation for full details on how this Framework Agreement will be managed..

Prices are set as per the tender submission of each successful tenderer.

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

Without competition

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

Establishing party only

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## **Contract 1. Provision of Legal Services - Framework Agreement - Procurement Solicitors 2026**

### **Suppliers (3)**

- Arthur Cox
- CARSON MCDOWELL LLP
- CLEAVER FULTON RANKIN LIMITED

### **Contract value**

- £495,604 excluding VAT
- £594,724.80 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Date signed**

11 February 2026

### **Contract dates**

- 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2030
- 4 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 79100000 - Legal services

### **Contract locations**

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Below threshold - open competition

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Suppliers**

### **Arthur Cox**

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Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## **CARSON MCDOWELL LLP**

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## **CLEAVER FULTON RANKIN LIMITED**

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Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## Contracting authority

### Northern Ireland Housing Executive

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTYV-8666-PQQY

Housing Centre, 2 Adelaide Street

Belfast

BT2 8PB

United Kingdom

Email: [procurement@nihe.gov.uk](mailto:procurement@nihe.gov.uk)

Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland