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Planning

Wigan EVCI Pre-Market Engagement

Wigan Council

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Scope

Reference

PA099

Description

Wigan Council are looking to identify a long-term partner to provide Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure in Council-owned car parks within the borough. The contract will cover supply, installation, operation, maintenance and customer service functions to provide an end-to-end / turnkey service. The project aims to increase the number, range and accessibility of public charging points across the borough. It is proposed to provide 100 active charge points and passive provision for over 100 charge points within Council-owned car parks. The contract would operate as a concession contract for a 13 year period with option to extend for 2 years. A mix of standard and fast charge points would be sought to meet the varying needs of residents, businesses and visitors. However, the appointed supplier will be given the option to provide rapid and ultra-rapid charging facilities in identified locations as desired.

The purpose of this pre-market engagement is to gauge the level of interest in this

opportunity and obtain feedback from the market, so all responses received are very much appreciated.. The Pre-Market Engagement process will remain active until the publication of the UK4 Tender Notice. As part of the Pre-Market Engagement Process, Wigan Council are hosting an online meeting on Tuesday 24th February 2026 14:00-16:00 via Microsoft Teams.

If your organisation is interested in attending this event, you will need to sign in and book a place via the Eventbrite link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wigan-evci-pre-market-engagement-tickets-1982970675671?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopypurl>

Following the online meeting, a pre-market engagement questionnaire will be shared with attendees to help Wigan Council to gain feedback regarding specific issues and queries. The feedback gained from the questionnaire will help guide to procurement process and the ask going forward.

Wigan Council also reserves the right, during the Pre-Market Engagement period, to hold additional meetings (separate from the above session) in person or virtually with a range of interested parties or one to one meetings and/or issue a series of requests for information which may relate to the Council's requirements, the procurement process and documents, and the terms of the contract.

For the avoidance of doubt, the whole process is for the purpose of conducting pre-market engagement and does not formally begin a procurement process or constitute any commitment by Wigan Council to undertake any procurement exercise.

Furthermore, potential bidders will not be prejudiced by not responding to this pre-market engagement notification. Potential bidders must also note that a response to this notice does not guarantee an invitation to participate in this, or any future procurement that Wigan Council may conduct. Any costs involved in responding to this pre-market engagement will be borne by the responders.

Total value (estimated)

- £60,000,000 excluding VAT
- £72,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2026 to 30 November 2041
- 15 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 31600000 - Electrical equipment and apparatus
- 51100000 - Installation services of electrical and mechanical equipment
- 31158000 - Chargers
- 45310000 - Electrical installation work

Contract locations

- UKD36 - Greater Manchester North West

Engagement

Engagement deadline

31 March 2026

Engagement process description

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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 April 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Concession

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government