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Tender

92_26 Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) and BioLPG

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

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Scope

Reference

92_26

Description

ESPO is inviting tender submissions for a framework agreement covering Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG). The framework will cover:

- Bulk Propane
- Cylinders (Butane and Propane)

Suppliers must be able to supply LPG throughout England, Scotland and Wales and must comply at all times with the latest Liquid Gas UK (LGUK) Codes of Practice (CoPs) and all relevant HSE guidance.

BioLPG is included within the scope of this Framework to support emerging customer needs across the public sector.

The Framework is NOT divided into lots.

Please refer to the tender documents for further details (including further details on each of the Lots) - the closing date for submission of Tenders is 12:00 (12 noon / 12pm) on 20 March 2026.

To tender (please proceed to step (e) if an expression of interest has already been completed):

(a) Go to <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/> (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '92_26' (via "View Opportunities" from the EastMidsTenders Portal); (d) Express an interest; (e) Download the tender documents (from the ProContract Activity summary screen).

Any questions or clarifications relating to this tender opportunity should be submitted to ESPO as a message on the eProcurement Portal, once an Expression of interest has been completed.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £16,666,667 excluding VAT
- £20,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 April 2026 to 31 March 2028
- Possible extension to 31 March 2030
- 3 years, 11 months, 11 days

Description of possible extension:

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 24 months (under normal circumstances this will either be completed in full or in 12-month periods and is subject to the performance of the framework).

The total estimated framework value captured in this notice includes the option to extend the framework as noted above.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 09100000 - Fuels

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

3%

Further information about fees

As a public body, ESPO has a statutory obligation to recover the costs associated with the management of this Framework Agreement. This obligation is met through the application of a Framework Fee, payable by Suppliers to ESPO.

For bulk supply of LPG, the Framework Fee will be at the rate of 0.5 pence per litre of LPG supplied. For LPG supplied in cylinders, the Framework Fee will be at the rate of 2.5% of the invoice value

For further details, please refer to the tender documents.

Framework operation description

Call-offs via the 92_26 Framework will be permitted in the following ways in accordance with section 45 of the Procurement Act 2023 (and any subsequent amendment or re-enactment thereof):

Call-off without competition

'Calling-off' Goods from a Supplier identified who is: a) included in the Framework; b) suitable for meeting the Customer's specific needs; and c) identified as offering the most advantageous solution to the Customer's requirements, based on the Customers' supplier selection decisions.

Call-off with competition (Further Competitive Selection Process)

'Calling-off' by conducting a further competitive selection process amongst those Suppliers identified in the Framework as being able to provide the required Goods. This means that not all competitive selection processes will necessarily include all the Suppliers - a customer will only invite those Suppliers that are included in the Framework for the particular type of contract required. Customers will assess the suppliers as set out in the terms and conditions of the Framework.

Any assessment of Suppliers' proposals under a further competitive selection process must be based only on some or all of the award criteria that were used to assess tenders when the framework was awarded. Customers may refine these criteria, for example, by including additional sub-criteria or by explaining the criteria further.

Please note that once this Framework is established, the right is reserved by the Customer when running a further competitive selection process, to invite the Suppliers to participate in an eAuction.

Please refer to the tender documents for any further details.

Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

As a Centralised procurement authority as defined in the Procurement Act 2023, the Framework is open for use by Public Bodies (defined at <https://www.espo.org/amfile/file/download/file/9608/>) that also fall into one of the following classifications of user throughout all administrative regions of the UK: Local Authorities; Educational Establishments (including Academies); Central Government Departments and Agencies; Police, Fire & Rescue and Coastguard Emergency Services; NHS and HSC Bodies, including Ambulance Services; Registered Charities; Registered Social Landlords; The Corporate Office of the House of Lords, The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons; or any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament. Details on general classification of end user establishments and geographical areas are available at: <https://www.espo.org/legal>

Contracting authority location restrictions

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Refer to the tender documents for conditions of participation.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Refer to the tender documents for conditions of participation.

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

6 March 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

20 March 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Refer to all instructions captured via <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

8 April 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	60.00%
Non-Price	Quality	40.00%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

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Technical specifications to be met

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

Please refer to the tender documents (see above for further details including summary instructions on how to access these).

Contracting authority

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government