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#### Tender

# MBC Provision of Internal Audits for Mid Kent Audit

Maidstone Borough Council

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### Scope

### Description

Maidstone Borough Council is looking for audit support to assist us in Mid Kent Audit Partnership to deliver a number of audits to support the delivery of the Annual Audit Opinion for 2025/26 and 2026/27.

Mid Kent Audit is a partnership of four authorities - Ashford, Maidstone, Swale and Tunbridge Wells Borough Councils - delivering audit and assurance services to each member of the partnership. We have been established as a shared service since 2010 and are recognised as providing comprehensive, innovative and high-quality services. We provide 1506 audit days across the partnership and our full 2025/26 audit plans and approach are published at: Maidstone, Swale, Ashford and Tunbridge Wells.

Tender release: 11/04/2025

Expression of Interest Deadline: 12:00pm 09/05/2025

Deadline for submission of completed tenders: 12:00pm 16/05/2025

Evaluation: w/c 19/05/2025

Appointment of contractor: w/c 02/06/2025

### Total value (estimated)

• £456,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 22 June 2025 to 1 May 2027
- Possible extension to 1 May 2029
- 3 years, 10 months, 10 days

Description of possible extension:

1 year + 1 year options of extension

#### Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

• 79212200 - Internal audit services

## Submission

#### **Enquiry deadline**

9 May 2025, 12:00pm

#### Deadline for requests to participate

9 May 2025, 12:00pm

### Submission address and any special instructions

www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk

#### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

#### Languages that may be used for submission

English

#### Award decision date (estimated)

7 June 2025

### Award criteria

Name	Туре	Weighting
Cost	Cost	60%
Quality	Quality	40%

### Other information

#### Description of risks to contract performance

Local Government Reorganisation - High Risk - Potential novation of contract

Internal staff recruitment and retention difficulties - Medium - Risk - Requirement for additional support over and above the original specifications identified.

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

### Procedure

#### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

## **Contracting authority**

#### **Maidstone Borough Council**

• Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGRT-5366-CGWY

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government