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Planning

Soft Market Test - Repairs and Maintenance Framework

Aspire Housing

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Aspire Housing is looking to create a repairs and maintenance framework. Aspire would like to undertake a soft market test. This gives potential contractors and other stakeholders the opportunity to express their interests and feed in their views about the potential service model. Aspire will use the information to appraise options and further develop the specification/tender pack.

Aspire housing has a DLO off circa 130 operatives, delivering responsive repairs, voids, planned works, grounds maintenance and damp and Mould works. Our first point of call is to deliver works using the DLO however due to volume of work, we rely heavily on sub-contractors. Hence the need for this Repair & Maintenance framework. The works are predominantly reactive, and our busiest time is December – April as we approach year end to ensure we are hitting our job target dates, which usually means a quick turnaround.

Please download Soft Market Test Questionnaire from In-Tend:

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/aspirehousing/asp/Tenders/Current>

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 January 2026 to 2 January 2032
- 6 years, 2 days

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 50000000 - Repair and maintenance services

Contract locations

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

Engagement

Engagement deadline

25 April 2025

Engagement process description

Initial soft market test to gauge interest and further develop procurement process, following soft market test a bidders day will be held at Aspire HQ.

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Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

20 May 2025

Contracting authority

Aspire Housing

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