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Tender

## **Groundworks Framework; 2026 - 2030**

Gentoo Group

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

REQ778

### **Description**

Gentoo are looking to create a Framework of Groundwork Contractors to carry out the supply and installation of earthworks, roads and sewers, plotworks, retaining walls, external works, service connections and all associated works. The initial works relates to 95nr plots however it is envisaged that a number of schemes requiring groundworks will be procured via this arrangement over the duration of the Framework.

### **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £6,500,000 excluding VAT
- £7,800,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 25 May 2026 to 24 May 2030
- 4 years

### **Main procurement category**

Works

### **CPV classifications**

- 45000000 - Construction work

### **Contract locations**

- UKC23 - Sunderland

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## **Framework**

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

4

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

0%

## **Framework operation description**

It is the intention of Gentoo to establish a Framework to deliver these works.

The underlying reason for procuring in this manner is the need to maintain a continuous service in the event of failure/capacity issues by any Supplier.

Award of the works will be made as follows:

Gentoo intend to appoint a maximum of 4 Contractors to this Framework. The four highest scoring Contractors based on a combination of Quality, Price, Social Value and Score Interview will be appointed. All works will be allocated at the discretion of Gentoo based on suitability of a Contractor against nature of the requirements.

In spite of this, Gentoo Group reserve the right to retain as much flexibility as is necessary when issuing works orders and will utilise the Supplier most suited to the tasks being issued. Particularly in circumstances in which a responsive approach is necessary and a quick turnaround of information is required – Gentoo will appoint the most suitable Supplier to carry out this work.

Gentoo also reserve the right to appoint more than one Supplier at any time to ensure key milestones are adhered to and completion of all issued works is completed within the pre-agreed timescales.

The Framework will operate on a performance-related basis. Regular failure against the Key Performance Indicators will lead to the suspension of works orders. Further information regards this process is provided elsewhere within the Tender Pack.

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

Without competition

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

Establishing party only

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

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

### **Enquiry deadline**

27 March 2026, 12:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

1 April 2026, 12:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://app.panacea-software.com/gentoo/eRFX-Suppliers/Open.aspx?requirementId=bc74c69e-2cd4-4d96-b5c2-fac934713a80>

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

## **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

## **Award decision date (estimated)**

15 May 2026

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## **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Price	Price	40%
Quality	Quality	30%
Interview	Quality	20%
Social Value	Quality	10%

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

## Procedure type

Open procedure

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## Contracting authority

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Region: UKC23 - Sunderland

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government