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Planning

Home Office; Uniform, Clothing, Equipment and Protection Products (UCEP).

Home Office

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Scope

Reference

project_2170

Description

Introduction

‘Secretary of State for the Home Department’ acting through the Home Office is developing its approach for the future of its Uniform, Clothing, Equipment and Protective Equipment (UCEP) requirement.

This is anticipated to replace the current managed service contract and aims to deliver a national comprehensive, scalable, efficient and sustainable solution across multiple operational or public facing directorates including:

- Border Force (BF)

- Border Security Command (BSC)
- Immigration Enforcement (IE)
- UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI)
- Illegal Migration Intake Unit (IMIU)
- His Majesty's Passport Office (HMPO)
- Security Teams

This preliminary market engagement notice proceeds preliminary market engagement undertaken in October 2035, under notice 2025/S 000-060550.

The intention and purpose of this market engagement is to

- provide an update on the development of the Home Office's commercial approach including products and services,
- encourage continued market involvement and interest,
- opportunity to discuss/meet the Home Office Uniform Management Group.

The Home Office will require participants to sign a mutual NDA before gaining access to fully participate in the Market Engagement event, further detail is provided in the "Engagement" sections of this notice.

Description

The Home Office is developing a 2-lot solution procured utilising a multistage competitive flexible procedure in accordance with PA23.

Lot 1 – Full managed service for the provision of uniform, clothing and equipment.
Estimated value £60m

Lot 2 – Managed Service for the provision of body armour.

Estimated value £20m

It is intended that an amended/modified version of the Model Services Contract shall be used to dictate the terms of any awarded contract.

The Home Office operates 24/7 365 nationally and internationally. Suppliers, for a

complex range of stakeholders, must be able to facilitate and manage security of supply, requirements/product development and demand fluctuations.

The Home Office is seeking a robust service associated with the supply of the goods anticipated to include Stock Management, Storage & Logistics, Procurement & Supply Chain Management, Hire (Lot 1), Sustainability, Returns, Recycling and Disposal, Customer Services and Account/Contract Management.

Lot 1. Uniform, Clothing and Equipment.

A diverse range of products determined by department and job role consisting of branded and non-branded items. Products require universal, male, female and maternity fits options. Product range including but not limited to

- Corporate Wear (jacket, shirt/blouse, trouser, skirt, dress, cardigan, jumper)
- Operational Uniform (cargo trouser, wicking top, shirt, jumper, fleece, waterproof jacket, waterproof trouser, anorak)
- Ceremonial Wear (hire and purchasing - shirts)
- Tactical Wear (High-vis jacket/waist coat, tactical vest, tactical belt)
- Uniform accessories (epaulettes, belts, branding & insignia, hats, gloves)
- Footwear
- Equipment (Method of Entry(MOE) protection, batons, cuffs, holders/holsters and clips)

Lot 2. Body Armour

Primarily for the provision of serialised traceable general-purpose body armour, supplied as body armour sets and individual components (armour inserts and carriers)

- In accordance with HO1KR1 standards
- Discreet/concealable carrier
- Overt general-purpose carrier
- Additional knife protection

Potential future provision of additional body armour specifications including floatation body armour or higher rated protection level.

Associated CPV codes

35811000 – Uniforms

35811200 - Police uniforms

18000000 - Clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories

18222000 - Corporate clothing

35815000 - Garments for anti-ballistic protection

98311100 - Laundry-management services

98393000 - Tailoring services

18100000 - Occupational clothing, special workwear and accessories

35200000 - Police equipment

35230000 – Handcuffs

37453700 - Batons

Engagement with this opportunity/notice

Engagement and communication related to this notice will be managed electronically via the Home Office's eSourcing Portal (JAGGAER). <https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com>

Therefore, to participate organisations must be registered on the eSourcing Portal.

Step 1.

If you have not yet registered on the eSourcing Portal, this can be done online by following the 'To register click here' link at <https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com> .

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering.

Your profile must include interest in the CPV code "35811200 - Police uniforms" , this should be done when establishing your profile or an existing profile can be amended to include this CPV.

To add this CPV to your profile select "Categories" section. Click "+" icon and search for

the CPV. Select the CPV and click “Confirm”.

N.B. Organisations that participated in the previous market engagement shall receive an invite on the eSourcing Portal to this latest engagement.

Step 2.

Once you have registered on the eSourcing Portal including the CPV (as above), registered users can access the “UCEP Market Engagement Feb 2026.” (pqq_768).

You must agree to the online NDA to enter the project.

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Within pqq_768 Home Office has uploaded a list of core products and associated product specifications intended to include for pricing as part of the commercial envelope’s basket of goods at ITT.

The Home Office is inviting suppliers to review and feedback on the product specifications.

Participating organisation may be given the opportunity to meet the HO uniform team and view current products in person on 12th March 2026 at the Croydon Office (2 Ruskin Square).

Home Office intends to schedule timeslots for individual organisations during the day.

Participating organisations may bring examples of comparable or alternative products to support their discussion and feedback to Home Office.

To register your interesting in participating in a F2F session who must message through eSourcing Portal pqq_768 advising up to 4 attendees, including theirs names and email addresses.

Deadline for response = Friday 6th March 2026

Timeslots shall be allocated on first come first served basis. Additional days may be added if required, further detail will be shared on pqq_768 in the eSourcing Portal.

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Participating organisations are also encouraged to respond to the questions on the e-sourcing portal to provide further feedback to the Home Office, deadline for responses is 20/03/2026 23:59

The Home Office may invite participants to attend additional 121 virtual (Microsoft Teams) or F2F meetings for further feedback.

Additional Information

Please contact tom.kimpton@homeoffice.gov.uk if you have trouble accessing the e-sourcing portal and Market Engagement event.

This notice is not a call for competition; it is published as information only requesting interested organisations participation for the Home Office's consideration and development of an optimal solution.

The Home Office reserves the right not to conduct a formal procurement process and not award a contract. The Home Office reserves the right to change its commercial approach and any detail included, exchanged or discussed during this market engagement.

Accordingly, the Home Office will not be liable for any costs, expenditure, work, or effort incurred acting on the basis of this notice. Participation in the market engagement is not a pre-requisite for being able to submit a tender against any associated opportunity and does not guarantee the suitability/acceptance of any involvement or bids for such an opportunity.

Total value (estimated)

- £80,000,000 excluding VAT
- £96,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 31 March 2027 to 31 March 2032
- Possible extension to 31 March 2035
- 8 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

Additional procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 35811200 - Police uniforms
- 18000000 - Clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories
- 18222000 - Corporate clothing
- 35815000 - Garments for anti-ballistic protection
- 98311100 - Laundry-management services
- 98393000 - Tailoring services
- 18100000 - Occupational clothing, special workwear and accessories
- 35200000 - Police equipment
- 35230000 - Handcuffs
- 37453700 - Batons

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

20 March 2026

Engagement process description

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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)

30 April 2026

Contracting authority

Home Office

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