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## Highways Professional Services Framework

Liverpool City Council

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### Scope

### Reference

DN788248

### Description

Liverpool City Council (LCC) intends to invite suppliers to tender for a new version of the Professional Services Framework (the PSF) to commence from October 2026. The current PSF is due to expire in October 2026, with LCC requiring similar services and commissions from the consultancy market to support planned delivery from October / November 2026.

The framework will be split into the following four (4) lots:

Lot 1 - Sustainable Transport Planning and Policy Advice

Lot 2 - Highways and Infrastructure Design Support Services

Lot 3 - P&P Management and NEC Contract Administration Support Services

## Lot 4 - Commercial and Contract Management Support Services

### **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

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

- £100,000,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 6 October 2026 to 5 October 2030
- 4 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 71311210 - Highways consultancy services

### **Contract locations**

- UKD72 - Liverpool

## **Lot 1. Sustainable Transport Planning and Policy Advice**

### **Description**

The Supplier shall provide the staff, resource, technical competence and expertise for the successful delivery of all documentation, records, approvals, outputs, drawings, designs, reports, submissions and any other documentation or services reasonably required by the Contracting Authority to finalise delivery of:

- a) Feasibility studies
- b) Detailed design services

all in relation to Sustainable Transport & Policy for highways for the Contracting Authority.

Further lot specific information can be found within the tender documentation.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £100,000,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 2. Highways and Infrastructure Design Support Services**

### **Description**

The Supplier shall provide Consultancy services related to highways, traffic, streets and urban design including but not limited to investigation, planning, design, operations, compliance, integration, construction and maintenance.

The services will include activities that support development of projects at various stages from feasibility and concept design to preliminary and detailed design. This will be to support delivery and operation of a range of projects including major highway improvement projects, bus priority, walking wheeling and cycling infrastructure, junction and crossing design, public realm,

landscaping and placemaking, highway maintenance and highway development control design support across different types of streets in Liverpool, including streets on the Key Route Network

(KRN).

Further information on this lot can be found in the published tender documents.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £100,000,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

### **Same for all lots**

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## **Lot 3. P&P Management and NEC Contract Administration**

## Support Services

### Description

The Supplier shall provide the staff, resource, technical competence and expertise for the successful application of Project and Programme Management Support Services (PPMSS),

primarily to support the delivery of the Highways Capital Programme. The Highways Capital Programme being with the Sustainable Transport, Highways and Parking department (TH&P),

Liverpool City Council (LCC).

This will contribute to successful delivery of PPM best practice, with these support services contributing positively to producing and managing all documentation, records, approvals, outputs, drawings, designs, reports, contract administration, drafting, submissions and any other documentation or services reasonably required by the Contracting Authority.

The PPMSS will contribute to the various aspects of the project lifecycle, including but not limited to;

- a) Feasibility Studies
- b) Business Cases
- c) Concept, Preliminary and Detailed Design phases of delivery
- d) Client-side Project Management
- e) NEC4 Project Manager, NEC Supervisor and NEC Service Manager roles, primarily where consultancy support has been commissioned by LCC TH&P and requires contract management across all relevant phases of the project lifecycle of the commission all in relation to programme management for highways for the Contracting Authority.

Further information on this lot can be found within the published tender documents.

### Lot value (estimated)

- £100,000,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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## **Lot 4. Commercial and Contract Management Support Services**

### **Description**

Commercial and Contract Management support services are required to support to assist in the successful delivery of Highways Schemes across the full range of projects under the responsibility of Transportation, Highways & Parking (TH&P). This includes, but is not limited to:

- Capital Works and Programmes:

Support all commercial, procurement, and contract management activities associated with the delivery of capital programmes of works.

- Maintenance Programmes:

Provide commercial and contractual support for ongoing maintenance works across the TH&P portfolio.

- Core Responsibilities:

- o Management of all commercial aspects of projects, including cost control, forecasting, and reporting.

- o Procurement support, including tender preparation, evaluation, and contract award processes.

- o Contract administration and compliance monitoring throughout the project lifecycle.

o Risk and change management relating to commercial and contractual matters.

The majority of services will focus on ensuring robust commercial governance and effective contract management to enable timely and cost-efficient delivery of TH&P's capital and maintenance programmes.

Further information on this lot can be found within the published tender documents.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £100,000,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

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## **Framework**

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

Unlimited

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

1.5%

## **Further information about fees**

The Supplier shall pay to the Authority a rebate in the amount of 1.5% of all Qualified Funds due to the Supplier in respect of Contracts called off under this Framework Agreement.

Qualified Funds shall include monies received by the Supplier from Other Contracting Bodies (that is, not LCC) under Contracts established with and for the benefit of those Other Contracting Bodies by call off under this Framework Agreement.

## **Framework operation description**

Bidders will be shortlisted a PSQ stage, with 8 bidders being invited to progress to the ITT stage for lots 1-3 and 6 bidders being invited to progress to the ITT stage for lot 4.

At ITT stage, the award criteria weightings will be set and the highest ranked bidders on each lot will be awarded a place on the framework. The following are the number of bidders who will be awarded a place on the framework per lot:

Lot 1 - 4 bidders

Lot 2 - 4 bidders

Lot 3 - 4 bidders

Lot 4 - 3 bidders

At ITT stage, bidders will be asked to complete the provided pricing schedules which will form the basis of the framework rates.

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

Either with or without competition

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

- All departments of Liverpool City Council including any arm's length company organisations
- Halton Borough Council, Knowsley Metropolitan Borough Council, Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council, St Helens Metropolitan Borough Council, Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council and the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority (the "LCRCA") (and each a "Local Authority") and any subsidiaries, affiliated or associated joint-venture vehicles of each Local Authority including local authority trading companies and local authority housing companies, registered providers of social housing including but not limited to a list of providers registered with the Regulator of Social Housing (RSH); and
- Transport for Liverpool City Region (TfLCR) (previously known as Merseytravel) or such other organisation as may exist in the future as the LCRCA regional transport network.

## **Contracting authority location restrictions**

- UKD7 - Merseyside

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

**Lot 1. Sustainable Transport Planning and Policy Advice**

**Lot 2. Highways and Infrastructure Design Support Services**

**Lot 3. P&P Management and NEC Contract Administration Support Services**

**Lot 4. Commercial and Contract Management Support Services**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Submission**

## **Enquiry deadline**

26 June 2026, 12:00pm

## **Submission type**

Tenders

## **Tender submission deadline**

8 July 2026, 12:00pm

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

All submissions must be made via ProContract where the full suite of tender documents can be accessed. Link to the advert on ProContract is below, or alternatively bidders can find this opportunity on ProContract using the reference DN788248.

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=9c7f4099-f413-f111-813c-005056b64545&fromAdvertEvent=True>

## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

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

English

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

2 September 2026

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## Award criteria

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Quality	Quality	70%
Price	Price	30%

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## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

### Competitive flexible procedure description

Stage 1: PSQ Stage

PSQ Documents are issued to anyone who wishes to participate. The PSQ assesses the Conditions of Participation (CoP) and a selection of lot specific "quality" questions based on previous experience which each have individual weightings to total 100%.

The 8 highest ranked bidders for Lots 1 - 3 will be shortlisted and invited to progress to the second stage. The 6 highest ranked bidders for Lot 4 will be shortlisted and invited to

progress to the second stage.

## Stage 2: ITT Stage

Assesses Quality and Price based on their relative percentage (%) weighting. The overall highest ranked bidders will be awarded a place on the framework. The numbers of bidders to be awarded a place on the framework per lot are as follows:

Lot 1 - 4 suppliers

Lot 2 - 4 suppliers

Lot 3 - 4 suppliers

Lot 4 - 3 suppliers

Full description of the competition can be found within the published tender documents.

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## Documents

### Associated tender documents

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=9c7f4099-f413-f111-813c-005056b64545&fromAdvertEvent=True>

### Documents to be provided after the tender notice

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Home/About>

The opportunity can be found using the reference DN788248

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## Contracting authority

### Liverpool City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRVY-7813-WLPG

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government