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Planning

## Polymer Products 2026

SUPPLY CHAIN COORDINATION LIMITED

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## Scope

## Reference

Project\_1532

## Description

This framework is for Polymer Products including and not limited to those listed below. Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £15,853,000.00 to £16,800,000.00 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. Estimated value over the total Framework Agreement term (including any extension options), is approximately £67,200,000.00

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier.

The intended Lot Structure for this procurement is set out as follows:

Lot 1 Clinical and Offensive Waste Bags

Lot 2 Domestic Waste Bags

Lot 3 Unprinted White, Clear and Coloured Bags

Lot 4 Patients Property and Carrier Bags

Lot 5 Soluble Laundry Bags Interleaved

Lot 6 Specimen and Re-sealable Bags

Lot 7 Body Bags

Lot 8 Alginate Stitch Laundry Bags

Lot 9 Specialist Lines

Lot 10 NHS Core Aprons

Lot 11 NHS Specialist Aprons

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £67,200,000 excluding VAT
- £80,640,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 31 October 2026 to 30 October 2028
- Possible extension to 30 October 2030
- 4 years

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 19640000 - Polythene waste and refuse sacks and bags
- 18930000 - Sacks and bags
- 18935000 - Laundry bags
- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

10 October 2025

## Engagement process description

We are seeking to engage with interested suppliers who can supply the Goods detailed in the procurement description. Interested suppliers can express interest in the opportunity using the following link

### PORTAL ACCESS

-Login with URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

-Click on "SQs Open to All Suppliers" and search for the title of the procurement: SQ\_590 - Polymer Products 2026 PME

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- Click on the 'Response Form' tab.

-Answer the question in the Qualification Envelope at 1.1.1

-Click 'submit response'.

On receipt of an expression of interest, the Authority will issue the Supplier with a request for information (RFI) document. IMPORTANT NOTE: The RFI document and any further communication in regards of this PME activity only, will be issued via email from email address [Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk). Please ensure you monitor your emails for correspondence from this email address.

The RFI document details the full product list of the products in-scope of this intended procurement activity and requests information from interested suppliers that will support the Authority in developing its approach to the procurement.

The RFI requests information about the interested supplier(s): (1) product range information and corresponding conformity documentation, (2) capacity to perform any eventual contract award, (3) current market information, (4) sustainability - including resource efficiency, use of raw materials, packaging, carbon reduction and labour standards, and (5) Supplier Cost Data which will support the commercial approach. The supplier cost data requested will include the commodity and freight cost drivers per product and the percentage each contributes to the overall product cost.

All responses to the RFI must be submitted to the email address as received from ([Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk)) by no later than 16:00hrs BST on 27 May 2025.

On or around 25 July 2025, following earlier engagement activities, the drafted product listing and product specification will be circulated for feedback from interested participants. All feedback must be sent to the email address [Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk) by no later than 16:00hrs BST on 29 August 2025. The Authority will then review the feedback and if there are amendments, further circulation of amended specifications may take place. If there is further circulation, all feedback must be received by no later than 16.00hrs BST on 10 October 2025.

Suppliers can, at any point during the engagement period, request individual meetings with the Authority to discuss the proposed procurement by way of email to [Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk). All meeting requests must be made and concluded before 16.00hrs BST on 10 October 2025.

To support our early engagement activity, we are pleased to invite you to a webinar, where we aim to share our strategic intent, with the intention to invite feedback from key suppliers during this session.

The details are as follows:

Date: 04/06/2025

Time: 14:00hrs

Duration: 2 hours

Platform: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8985519531417754202>

During this session, we will cover the following topics:

1. Tender Overview: Overview of the products in scope and our commercial aims and objectives for this framework renewal process.
2. Specification Overview: Summarise the key specifications and invite feedback regarding what can be included or improved on, to maximise product quality & value for money.
3. Commercial Drivers: Understanding the core factors shaping the framework renewal and how we can leverage best value for NHS customers.
4. Overview of the Procurement Procedure, Conditions of Participation & Award Criteria: An overview of the proposed tender process, sustainability criteria and expectations in the tender process.

## 5. Timescales: An outline of critical dates and timelines for the renewal process.

This is a great opportunity for you to feedback and provide industry intelligence that will inform the procurement approach. Equally, it is an opportunity to clarify any questions you may have and ensure that all suppliers are aligned with the upcoming changes.

We would value suppliers to share feedback and input during the webinar. We recognise that this is not always possible and if, following the webinar, you feel it would be beneficial to have a 1 to 1 meeting with the Category Manager, this can be requested using the following the email address: [Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:Surgical.PPE@supplychain.nhs.uk).

There is no guarantee that a formal procurement process will be launched as a result of this early market engagement exercise, nor that any contract(s) will be placed. No remuneration or compensation etc will be paid to organisations who take part in this early market engagement exercise. Suppliers should take part in this process only on the basis that they fully understand and accept this position.

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## Participation

### Particular suitability

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

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

5 November 2025

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## Contracting authority

### SUPPLY CHAIN COORDINATION LIMITED

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