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Planning

Legal Panel for Public Sector

Crown Commercial Service

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Scope

Reference

RM6374

Description

This notice has been replaced by UK2 notice OCID reference - ocds-h6vhtk-0503d3

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority intends to put in place an agreement for the provision of Legal Services for use primarily by the Wider Public Sector and UK public sector bodies. Central Government will be able to use the agreement by exception.

The agreement will replace and bring together specialisms currently available under live agreements:

RM6240 Public Sector Legal Services

RM6284 Costs Lawyer Services 2

A high level lotting structure being proposed is (this will continue to be refined as a result of further market engagement);

Lot 1 Full Legal Service Provision

Lot 2 Litigation and Disputes

Lot 3 Property, Real Estate & Construction

Lot 4 Contracts & Commercial

Lot 5 Major, Complex Projects including PFI

Lot 6 HR, Employment and Pensions

Lot 7 Transport & Planning (Full UK)

Lot 8 Costs Lawyer Services

Lot 9 Health & Social Care

Lot 10 Local Government, Local Community & Housing

Lot 11 Specialism Specific

All updates and further details can be found on our webpage:

<https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/RM6374>

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £500,000,000 excluding VAT
- £600,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 August 2026 to 5 August 2029
- Possible extension to 5 August 2031
- 5 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79100000 - Legal services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

5 January 2026

Engagement process description

Market engagement for RM6374 commenced in January 2025.

The Prior Information Notice (PIN) was issued in January 2025, accompanied by a survey aimed at gauging interest and obtaining market insights from suppliers. The survey remained open until 31st March 2025, during which 93 participants engaged with it, and 48 suppliers completed it.

In February 2025, we extended our engagement efforts through additional surveys directed at suppliers and customers, gathering feedback from a further 20 organisations.

From March to May 2025, the first round of market engagement will take place, featuring an open and transparent retrospective analysis of the existing agreements. Following this, conceptual options will be presented to both suppliers and customers. Two supplier engagement sessions were conducted on 19th March and 1st April to collect further market insights to inform the agreement's scope. The session on 19th March attracted 72 individual attendees, while the session on 1st April had 68 attendees.

A customer engagement session was conducted on the 28th April to collect further insights and inform the agreement's scope. This attracted 20 individual attendees.

A specific session focusing on Costs Lawyer Services took place 1st May attracting 31 individual attendees.

From February to October 2025, one to one sessions with suppliers and customers will be held to gain additional feedback and insights. We invite all suppliers and customers to participate in these discussions. Please contact info@crowcommercial.gov.uk with the subject line 'RM6374 1 to 1' if you would like to arrange a discussion.

During June and July 2025, we will continue to engage with suppliers on specific topics in greater detail. Please register for the events listed below:

Pricing: RM6374 Supplier Engagement 19th June 14:00 -
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3683819597115718494>

Social Value: RM6374 Supplier Engagement 23rd June 09:30 -
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5492377686342161753>

Routes to Market: RM6374 Supplier Engagement 26th June 13:00 -
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1616197876687637591>

AI: RM6374 Supplier Engagement 1st July 09:30 -
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1616197876687637591>

Following these sessions, two additional supplier engagement events will take place on 11 September 2025 and 7 October 2025, focusing on summarising key feedback, scope, structure, routes to market, terms and conditions, pricing, social value, value-added considerations, and next steps. You can find details of these sessions on this page: <https://www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/events/75215/supplier-engagement-legal-panel-for-public-sector>

A customer engagement session will be organised in September or October 2025, with details for registration to be published on our webpage once available. As we further develop our engagement strategy, we will regularly update our webpage with new information.

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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

4 February 2026

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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