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Planning

Advanced Email Threat Protection Solution

Leicester City Council

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Scope

Reference

1010RCCS

Description

The purpose of such engagement is to understand the level of market interest and to seek market intelligence on offerings in the market on both commercial off the shelf solutions as well as any innovative proposals from organisations that may have an interest or expertise in this field

The Council is aiming to procure a solution which will deliver and future proof the current functionality and additionally provide flexibility to exploit the use of new technology where this provides benefit to the business, in relation to Advanced Email Threat Protection

Objectives of the Preliminary Market Engagement Exercise are to:

- gain initial supplier awareness, engagement and opinion;
- provide confidence around viability of concept;
- gain insight to the market possibilities and potential innovative solutions;
- understand risks and issues not previously considered;
- inform the Outline Business Case;
- inform the Procurement Strategy; and
- prevent the Council from advertising an unachievable project at UK e-notification service www.find-tender.service.gov.uk stage.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 November 2025 to 31 October 2028
- Possible extension to 31 October 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 48730000 - Security software package

Contract locations

- UKF21 - Leicester

Engagement

Engagement deadline

18 June 2025

Engagement process description

The Council are interested in understanding the market, and whether suppliers can supply all (our preferred option), or one of the components we are looking to replace. We are not averse to using different solutions for each of these channels. As a principle the Council is embracing digitalisation moving towards streamlining, automation and channel adoption, with customer self-service at every opportunity.

The Council have formed several specific questions, and are seeking your views on how we can achieve best value in respect of these delivered as a commercially off the shelf solution (COTS) . The questions are located in the PME published document.

In responding, you should understand that detailed and lengthy submissions are not necessary at this stage. Nonetheless, we welcome any pertinent information on your company's capability and views on an approach to the provision of the required services.

Contracting authority

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