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**Planning** 

# **DS478-24 NFCC Emergency Response Vehicle Framework**

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority

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### Scope

#### Reference

DS478-24

## **Description**

Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority (on behalf of the National Fire Chiefs Council Transport Officers Group (NFCC TOG) and in conjunction with the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC) Procurement Hub, is leading a procurement project to replace the existing Framework Agreement for UK Fire and Rescue Emergency Response Vehicles (ERV).

The future framework agreement will enable Contracting Authorities named on the framework to procure Pumping Appliances, Aerial Appliances and Special Vehicles as required by their Contracting Authority, Fire and Rescue Service etc.

For the purposes of this preliminary market engagement notice, the contract location is stated as "United Kingdom, Jersey, Isle of Man and Guernsey" because the contract location for any call-off under the resulting framework agreement will depend upon the

location of that Contracting Authority performing the call-off contract.

Previously a preliminary market engagement was carried out under the Public Contract Regulations 2015. The PIN notice for that engagement can be found via the link below:

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/748a1220-2203-4418-b562-1d809186c 6cb

After the preliminary market engagement notice, a pipeline notice has been published under the Procurement Act 2023.

The Project Team are currently establishing the requirements and the permitted vehicles that can be procured, and this information will be published within the Invitation to Tender later this year.

At this stage, the Project Team anticipates that the NFCC Emergency Response Vehicle Framework will be an open framework, as defined in the Procurement Act 2023, for a period of 8 years (the contract start and end dates in this preliminary market engagement notice are based on this assumption). No extensions to the framework will be available.

The Tender Notice for the framework agreement is planned to be published on 12th August 2025. Please note the publication date may be subject to change.

Suppliers who may be interested in this opportunity can prepare by registering on our etendering portal where this opportunity is likely to be tendered in due course. The etendering portal is located at:

#### https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/blpd/home

The e-tendering portal is free to use. Suppliers can find guidance on using the e-tendering portal via: <a href="https://bluelightcommercial.police.uk/media/2284/sell2bluelight-in-tend-full-supplier-quide.pdf">https://bluelightcommercial.police.uk/media/2284/sell2bluelight-in-tend-full-supplier-quide.pdf</a>

#### Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

#### Total value (estimated)

- £900,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,080,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

# Main procurement category

Goods

#### **CPV** classifications

- 34114100 Emergency vehicles
- 34114110 Rescue vehicles

#### **Contract locations**

- UK United Kingdom
- GG Guernsey
- IM Isle of Man
- JE Jersey

# **Engagement**

#### **Engagement deadline**

20 June 2025

#### **Engagement process description**

Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority are looking to engage and hold market engagement sessions with industry experts and suppliers who may be interested in submitting a tender submission for the new framework agreement.

The market engagement sessions will provide an update on the initial fire and rescue services and supplier consultations, proposed framework scope and lot structure, and facilitate a discussion on the future framework agreement.

Suppliers can request a meeting by emailing Amy Harraway, Fleet Category Manager via <a href="mailto:procurement@dsfire.gov.uk">procurement@dsfire.gov.uk</a>

by Tuesday 3rd June 2025. Please include the name of your organisation, and contact details for the individual(s) who will participate in the market engagement.

There are twelve (12) Microsoft Teams meeting slots (one hour each) available and they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The available slots are:

- 1. Thursday 5th June 1pm
- 2. Friday 6th June 10am
- 3. Friday 6th June 1pm
- 4. Monday 9th June 10am
- 5. Monday 9th June 1pm
- 6. Tuesday 10th June 1pm
- 7. Tuesday 10th June 2pm
- 8. Wednesday 11th June 2pm
- 9. Thursday 12th June 10am

- 10. Thursday 12th June 1pm
- 11. Wednesday 18th June 1pm
- 12. Friday 20th June 10am

Upon allocation of your meeting slot, a slide deck consultation summary will be attached for your review before your session.

# **Participation**

### Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

# **Submission**

## Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

12 August 2025

# **Contracting authority**

## **Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority**

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