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## Planning Colchester 5G enabled connected tourism

Colchester City Council

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# Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Region code

UKH3 - Essex

### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.colchester.gov.uk

Buyer's address

www.colchester.gov.uk

## **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

## I.5) Main activity

General public services

# Section II: Object

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

Colchester 5G enabled connected tourism

Reference number

0356

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Colchester, recognized as Britain's oldest recorded city and one of the fastest-growing UK boroughs, is located in North Essex and aims to position itself as a pioneering, digitally connected hub in the Eastern region of the UK. This vision involves harnessing advanced technologies such as full-fibre connectivity, 5G networks, and the Internet of Things (IoT). The scope of work centres on sourcing a wireless technology partner to design, build, and operate a 5G-enabled AR/VR connected tourism experience. This experience will span both within the Colchester Castle building and outdoors along the Roman Walls. The solution should be scalable to accommodate future growth and seamlessly integrate evolving wireless technologies. The contractor is expected to commit to enhancing public cellular 5G coverage across Colchester, addressing existing connectivity gaps.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 32400000 Networks
- 45314000 Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

Essex

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.14) Additional information

The contract is initially for 7 years with option of a further 5 year extension When the formal contract notice is issued, the Council will be issuing the tender using the Competitive Procedure with Negotiation process

#### II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

20 October 2023

# **Section IV. Procedure**

## **IV.1) Description**

### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

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