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Tender

## C267/2024/2025 - Digital Inclusion Wales

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

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### Scope

#### Reference

C267/2024/2025

#### **Description**

The Welsh Government require the services of an appropriate supplier to deliver the Digital Inclusion Wales contract. Details of the new contract are contained in the tender documentation and we aim to start the new service on the 1st October 2025.

Digital exclusion continues to be a significant issue throughout the UK. The acceleration of transitioning services to online digital only access has meant that it is now essential to have some level of basic digital skills to be included in today's society. Any barrier to connectivity, access to devices and/or basic digital skills can mean someone is disadvantaged financially, socially and in respect of their wider well-being.

Digital Communities Wales: Digital Confidence, Health and Well-being (DCW), the Welsh Government funded £2million per annum digital inclusion and health programme ends on 30 September 2025. The DCW programme has worked with organisations from all sectors that support digitally excluded people, providing training and support to front line staff and

volunteers to help them develop the basic digital skills of citizens.

The focus of the new contract will be on delivery of a nationally delivered bilingual programme of activity to support digital inclusion work in Wales including developing a national digital inclusion advice and support service and undertaking mapping of digital inclusion provision across Wales.

It is envisaged that this national programme of activity would include the following elements:

- Mapping of digital inclusion provision throughout Wales
- Provision of digital inclusion advice and support through a regional and thematic approach
- Creation and updating of digital inclusion resources
- Supporting bringing public, third and private sector stakeholders together to share knowledge and best practice, provide strategic leadership and take forward tangible cross sectoral actions- reflecting the fact that digital inclusion is not owned by any one sector.

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £7,000,000 excluding VAT
- £8,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

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

- 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2028
- Possible extension to 30 September 2031
- 6 years

Description of possible extension:

Welsh Government retains the right to extend the contract. The initial contract period will be for 3 years with the option on behalf of the Welsh Government to extend for a further 3 years for a maximum period of 6 years. A budget range of £3,500,000 excluding VAT is available for the purposes of this contract and over the initial '3' year contract period. If invoked, Welsh Government will make a further budget of £3,500,000 excluding VAT for the potential '3' year extension period.

#### Main procurement category

Services

#### **CPV** classifications

- 80000000 Education and training services
- 98000000 Other community, social and personal services
- 72600000 Computer support and consultancy services
- 72222300 Information technology services

#### **Contract locations**

• UKL - Wales

## **Participation**

#### Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

As detailed in the tender documents

#### Technical ability conditions of participation

As detailed in the tender documents

#### Particular suitability

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

#### **Submission**

#### **Enquiry deadline**

15 July 2025, 2:00pm

#### Tender submission deadline

24 July 2025, 2:00pm

## Submission address and any special instructions

All tender documentation and instructions on how to bid electronically are on <a href="https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/">https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/</a> ITT\_117736 Project\_59512

## Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

## Languages that may be used for submission

- Welsh
- English

## Award decision date (estimated)

1 September 2025

## **Recurring procurement**

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 July 2031

## **Award criteria**

Name	Description	Туре	Weighting
Service Delivery Methodology	Evidence a service delivery methodology which demonstrates how you will achieve the requirements for Strand 1 as set out in the specification	Quality	20.00%
Understanding and knowledge of the polic area	Understanding and yknowledge of the policy area - Demonstrate your understanding and knowledge of the digital inclusion, including minimum digital living standard, agenda and how this will enable you to deliver strand 2.	Quality	20.00%

Name	Description	Туре	Weighting
Developing, maintaining and delivery focused Partnership Working	Developing, maintaining and delivery focused Partnership Working - Evidence your approach to stakeholder engagement, co- production and how you will co-ordinate a wide network of partners to deliver strand 3.	Quality	20.00%
Lowest Price	Lowest Price- Submission of a completed Commercial Response Template	Price	20.00%
Contract Management	Contract Management Demonstrate how the requirements to ensure successful delivery, reporting and financial management of the service be met.	·	10.00%
Resource and Staffing	Resource and Staffing - Evidence how you wil resource the service you have proposed in question 1, 2 and 3 including the staff, their expertise and any othe resources required.		10.00%

## Other information

## Payment terms

As detailed in the tender documentation

# Description of risks to contract performance As detailed in the tender documentation **Applicable trade agreements** • Government Procurement Agreement (GPA) Conflicts assessment prepared/revised Yes **Procedure Procedure type** Open procedure Special regime Light touch

## **Contracting authority**

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

• Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQYQ-3841-BHTP

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Region: UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales