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Tender

250018 - Contract for the Provision of Grounds Maintenance Services

Queen's University Belfast

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Scope

Reference

250018

Description

The University invites tenders from competent providers of Grounds Maintenance Services. The service will include grass cutting, hedge clipping, shrub pruning, trimming back ivy/ creepers, weed and moss control, and leaf and litter clearance across multiple areas including student and staff accommodation.

The service will be carried out in a manner that is in accordance with good practice in the Grounds Maintenance Service Industry.

Total value (estimated)

- £250,000 excluding VAT
- £300,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 1 October 2026
- Possible extension to 1 October 2030
- 5 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

1 year with the option to extend by up to a further 48 months, subject to satisfactory annual review and at Queen's discretion

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 77314000 - Grounds maintenance services

Contract locations

- UKN06 - Belfast

Submission

Enquiry deadline

22 July 2025, 4:00pm

Tender submission deadline

30 July 2025, 4:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Submit via in-tend: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

19 August 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 27 June 2030

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Simple description	The contract will be awarded based on a combination of technical criteria (40%) and price (60%). The technical criteria will include project methodology (20%), service delivery (10%) and sustainable procurement (10%). The price criteria accounts for the remaining 60% of the overall score.	Price

Weighting description

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Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

The total area maintained may increase or decrease by approximately 10-20% depending on future acquisition or disposal of university land or buildings.

The frequency and volume of service delivery (e.g. grass cutting, hedge trimming, path maintenance) may vary by approximately $\pm 15\%$ due to seasonal factors, evolving site use, or sustainability priorities.

The University may require additional one-off services such as storm damage clearance or event-related support, which may increase the annual value of the contract by up to 10% in any given year.

Potential increase to labour costs due to inflation and rising real living wage (RLW).

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

Suppliers wishes to expressed an interest in this tender must register on the In-Tend portal and download the documents from the web address

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland