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Planning

Food Waste Treatment Services contract

Essex County Council

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Scope

Description

Essex County Council (ECC) is planning to issue a tender as early as 2026 for a contract(s) relating to the anaerobic digestion treatment and disposal of food waste collected from households in the Essex area. The required treatment services must start on 1 April 2028. ECC manages approximately 40,000 tonnes per annum of separately collected household food waste.

The contracting authority is Essex County Council and any Successor Body meaning one or more entities which assumes any of the Council's functions (as applicable) as a result of Local Government Reform (LGR). Such successor body or bodies may be, without limitation, a local authority, a combined authority, a combined county authority, a strategic authority or any other status determined pursuant to the Devolution and LGR Legislation.

The estimated value provided includes the extension period.

Total value (estimated)

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

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2028 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2035
- 7 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 90500000 - Refuse and waste related services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England

- UKI - London
 - UKJ - South East (England)
 - UKK - South West (England)
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

15 July 2025

Engagement process description

Potential Bidders are invited to complete the questionnaire provided in the Microsoft Form below:

<https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=TzK0qFwVFUKg8X7YzJqZL3LrQJj4rUJEIO4Te6Opzz1UMkwxT1QyNE43UU8yWUI0NEIyNExPSVFJMC4u&route=shorturl>

Responses are required no later than 15th July 2025 please.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Contracting authority

Essex County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWVM-4844-NRQH

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government