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Award

MBC Provision of Internal Audits for Mid Kent Audit

Maidstone Borough Council

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Scope

Description

Maidstone Borough Council is looking for audit support to assist us in Mid Kent Audit Partnership to deliver a number of audits to support the delivery of the Annual Audit Opinion for 2025/26 and 2026/27.

Mid Kent Audit is a partnership of four authorities - Ashford, Maidstone, Swale and Tunbridge Wells Borough Councils - delivering audit and assurance services to each member of the partnership. We have been established as a shared service since 2010 and are recognised as providing comprehensive, innovative and high-quality services. We provide 1506 audit days across the partnership and our full 2025/26 audit plans and approach are published at: Maidstone, Swale, Ashford and Tunbridge Wells.

Contract 1. MBC Provision of Internal Audits for Mid Kent Audit 2025

Supplier

- SOUTH WEST AUDIT PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

Contract value

- £366,408 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

2 June 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

3 July 2025

Standstill period

- End: 15 July 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 July 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 16 July 2025 to 16 July 2027
- Possible extension to 16 July 2029
- 4 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

1 year + 1 year

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79212200 - Internal audit 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)

Information about tenders

- 12 tenders received
- 4 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 4 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 3 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

SOUTH WEST AUDIT PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

- Companies House: 08215338
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDDT-9646-VQJM

Ground Floor, Blackbrook Gate One

Taunton

TA1 2PX

United Kingdom

Email: accounts@swapaudit.co.uk

Website: <https://www.swapaudit.co.uk/>

Region: UKK23 - Somerset

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: Yes

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Contracting authority

Maidstone Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGRT-5366-CGWY

Maidstone House, King Street

Maidstone

ME15 6JQ

United Kingdom

Email: procurement@tunbridgewells.gov.uk

Region: UKJ45 - Mid Kent

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government