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## 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: <a href="https://www.swapaudit.co.uk/">https://www.swapaudit.co.uk/</a>

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