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Planning

## **PRN004517 Compartment Fire Behaviour Unit & associated building works**

Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire Authority

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

PRN004517

### **Description**

Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) are undertaking a Pre-Market Engagement (PME) activity for the below requirement.

The NFRS Estates department will be initiating a project throughout this financial year for a compartment fire behaviour unit & associated building works. As you may be aware, we are required to adhere to strict procurement procedures. This Pre-Market Engagement (PME) activity seeks information relating to the NFRS Compartment Fire Behaviour Training facilities.

The Compartment Fire Behaviour Training (CFBT) Unit is a specialist risk critical, mandatory training requirement for operational crews. The unit provides firefighting crews with the ability to initiate and sustain a carbonaceous fire and facilitate the release or

containment of fire gases in a safe, controlled environment. The unit can be used to demonstrate the correct door entry procedure, extinguishing, cooling and ventilation techniques allowing students to understand the hazards and risks presented by this environment.

Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) is preparing to initiate a procurement process to establish a contract for the acquisition of a single 40ft shipping container which will be repurposed and modified to create a Compartment Fire Behaviour Training Unit. In addition to this to undertake the associated building works in relation to the installation of the Compartment Fire Behaviour Training Unit. The works will include but are not limited to: -

- Forming concrete foundations/slab and sub-base
- Creation of hardstanding surface areas (concrete/tarmacadam)
- Installation of foul drains including implementing new drainage channel, inspection chambers, pumps, interceptors (where necessary) and connecting them to the existing foul drain.
- Installation of any lighting protection and any mechanical and electrical elements (where necessary).

#### General Conditions

Please note the following general conditions:

- Your responses will help us to refine our requirements.
- Nothing in the PME activity shall constitute a commitment to ordering or awarding a contract.
- The contents of this PME are not binding, and may be subject to change
- Any, and all costs associated with the production of such a response to this Pre-Market Engagement must be borne by the Supplier.
- Information contained within this document is confidential and must not be revealed to any third party without prior written consent from NFRS.
- We expect that all responses to this will be provided by Suppliers in good faith, to the best of their ability and in the light of information available at the time of their response.
- No information provided by a potential supplier in response to this will be carried

forward, used or acknowledged in any way for the purpose of evaluating, or in any subsequent formal procurement process.

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

- £450,000 excluding VAT
- £540,000 including VAT

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

- 1 September 2025 to 30 January 2026
- Possible extension to 1 April 2026
- 7 months, 1 day

### **Main procurement category**

Works

### **CPV classifications**

- 35110000 - Firefighting, rescue and safety equipment
- 44619000 - Other containers
- 45000000 - Construction work
- 45343200 - Firefighting equipment installation work

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## **Engagement**

## **Engagement deadline**

19 July 2025

## **Engagement process description**

Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service (NFRS) are undertaking a Pre-Market Engagement (PME) activity for the below requirement.

The Pre-Market engagement document is available to download via the NFRS e-procurement portal In-Tend via the following link:

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/notts-fire/asp/Home>

All correspondence and responses in relation to this PME should be made via the NFRS e-procurement portal.

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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

19 July 2025

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire Authority**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDCB-9254-WQCL

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government