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West Northamptonshire Council – Term Maintenance Contracts (Pre-Market Engagement) Electrical

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The <u>previous version</u> is still available.

Scope

Description

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Pre-Market Engagement (PME) Notice - Term Maintenance Contracts - Electrical

West Northamptonshire Council is launching a Pre-Market Engagement exercise to shape the future procurement of Term Maintenance Contracts, scheduled for formal launch in September 2025. This initiative is designed to engage the market early, gather supplier feedback, and inform contract strategy across a wide range of building and estate maintenance services.

Following local government reorganisation in 2022, the Council seeks to move beyond interim arrangements by establishing long-term contracts that promote strategic partnerships, reduce frequent procurement cycles, and comply with current legislation including the Procurement Act and the Building Safety Act.

Key Objectives:

- *Foster collaborative supplier relationships
- *Encourage involvement from national and local providers
- *Promote transparency, compliance, and community benefit
- *Strengthen local supply chains and workforce development
- *Use familiar standard contract forms
- *Enable training and CPD opportunities

Procurement Strategy:

- *Frameworks and single supplier arrangements
- *Clearly defined service-area lots (e.g. roofing, fire systems, catering equipment)
- *Mix of mini-competitions and direct awards (where appropriate)
- *Flexible framework duration (up to 8 years), with reopening options

Procurement Area: Electrical

*General electrics:

Electrical mains and sub-mains distribution - fixed wire, Power installations, Lighting installations, Specialist lighting installations, Local electrical generation, Earthing and bonding ,HV supplies testing and inspections ,Emergency lighting testing and installation & Asset tagging: Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings

- *PAT Testing :Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings
- *PV solar installations (power, batteries, and water) design, install and maintain: Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings.
- *Lightning protection :Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings
- *Communication systems :Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings
- *Central control/building management systems design, install, inspection and servicing of BMS systems: Framework 4 suppliers to be awarded initial framework length 4 years. 8 years total contract terms. with minimum two re-openings

Timeline:

*PME Launch: July 2025

*Procurement Launch: September 2025

*Contract Start: From April 2026

Supplier Engagement Activities:

*Online surveys

*Briefings via a supplier day

How to Participate: Interested suppliers are encouraged to register an account on the Council's procurement portal: In-Tend Electronic Tendering Site. Once the tender is launched, registered users will be able to access the full tender pack and associated documents, should they wish to respond to the opportunity. Further information regarding supplier days and other pre-market engagement activity will also be shared via the portal.

Important Note: Registration is required to attend PME events. Participation in this engagement does not guarantee future contract opportunities; outcomes depend on the results of PME and internal governance decisions..

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £8,333,333.33 excluding VAT
- £10,000,000 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 1 April 2034
- 8 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 09330000 Solar energy
- 09331000 Solar panels
- 09332000 Solar installation
- 30232700 Central controlling unit
- 31161000 Parts for electrical motors and generators
- 31216100 Lightning-protection equipment
- 31220000 Electrical circuit components
- 31221000 Electrical relays

- 31518200 Emergency lighting equipment
- 31600000 Electrical equipment and apparatus
- 31670000 Electrical parts of machinery or apparatus
- 31680000 Electrical supplies and accessories
- 31681400 Electrical components
- 31681410 Electrical materials
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32412000 Communications network
- 32510000 Wireless telecommunications system
- 32570000 Communications equipment
- 32571000 Communications infrastructure
- 32572100 Communications cable with multiple electrical conductors
- 32572300 Communications cable for special applications
- 45310000 Electrical installation work
- 45311000 Electrical wiring and fitting work
- 45311100 Electrical wiring work
- 45311200 Electrical fitting work
- 45312310 Lightning-protection works
- 45315000 Electrical installation work of heating and other electrical building-equipment
- 45315100 Electrical engineering installation works
- 45317000 Other electrical installation work
- 45317100 Electrical installation work of pumping equipment
- 45317200 Electrical installation work of transformers

- 50532400 Repair and maintenance services of electrical distribution equipment
- 50710000 Repair and maintenance services of electrical and mechanical building installations
- 50711000 Repair and maintenance services of electrical building installations
- 51100000 Installation services of electrical and mechanical equipment
- 51110000 Installation services of electrical equipment
- 65320000 Operation of electrical installations
- 71314100 Electrical services
- 71321000 Engineering design services for mechanical and electrical installations for buildings

Engagement

Engagement deadline

1 September 2025

Engagement process description

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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 September 2025

Contracting authority

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