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Tender

Finance for net zero: How nature-based solutions and ecosystem services could provide greater financial benefits for the net zero agenda in Cambridgeshire

Cambridgeshire County Council
Peterborough City Council

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Scope

Description

The Council is looking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced UK-based service provider to undertake research and analysis of the role nature-based solutions could play in the financial viability of low carbon energy projects.

This project is looking to develop a theoretical, evidence-based report to improve understanding of how nature-based solutions and ecosystem services could:

- Deliver financial benefits in the context of net zero projects
- Reduce long-term climate and operational risks associated with projects
- Strengthen the investment case for nature-inclusive energy or infrastructure schemes
- Explore mechanisms for monetising biodiversity or ecosystem services
- Generate 1-2 plausible demonstrator concepts that could be taken forward

The main deliverables will include the Main report presenting the key findings of the research, an executive summary and a slide pack of the report findings. The contract for this programme will run for approximately 2 months, concluding on the 30th November 2025.

Total value (estimated)

- £40,000 excluding VAT
- £48,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 30 November 2025
- 2 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 66171000 - Financial consultancy services
- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

Contract locations

- UKH11 - Peterborough
- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

27 August 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

all submissions MUST be provided electronically via the Council's Etendering portal - ProContract.

Any bids submitted in any other way will be rejected.

Main page:- <https://procontract.due-north.com/Opportunities/Index?p=ea3edb62-3a92-eb11-810c-005056b64545&v=2>

Advert:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Procurer/Advert/View?advertId=63192afa-666c-f011-813a-005056b64545&fromAdvertEvent=True>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality - 70%	Quality	70%
Price	Price - 30%	Price	30%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Documents

Associated tender documents

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to submit a bid for this opportunity, please go to the Council's Etendering portal:

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Technical specifications to be met

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Contact Cambridgeshire County Council for any enquiries.