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Planning

T2654 Provision of Dog Kennelling Facilities and Related Services

Belfast City Council

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Scope

Reference

T2654

Description

The Dog Warden Service of Belfast City Council ('the Council') requires an experienced Contractor to supply dog kennelling facilities to keep, return, and rehome stray and other dogs which come into the care of the Council. This would include kenneling of illegal breeds and other related services such as provision of veterinary care to dogs housed at the facilities.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 30 November 2026

- Possible extension to 30 November 2029
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 98380000 - Dog kennel services

Contract locations

- UKN06 - Belfast
- UKN - Northern Ireland

Engagement

Engagement deadline

1 September 2025

Engagement process description

The purpose of this pre-market engagement (PME) exercise is to help the Council better understand the level of interest in the current marketplace to provide dog kennelling facilities and related services (within a 40-mile radius of the Councils Dog Warden's base at Dargan Road, Belfast, BT3 9JU).

To express interest, please email cps@belfastcity.gov.uk, informing the Council of your intention to participate in this exercise.

Once expressions of interest have been received, the Council will contact the interested parties to discuss next steps. This will be whatever suits best, but may include completion of a simple questionnaire, a brief meeting/phone call, or a site visit.

All information returned as part of this PME exercise will assist in the development of the specification, evaluation criteria, pricing structure, and contract award options to ensure this tender opportunity delivers a high-quality service to the Council, whilst being achievable and appealing to the marketplace. It is also the Council's objective to keep this tendering process as simple as possible for all interested parties.

The Council reserves the right to contact any or all organisations who respond to this PME engagement to further discuss the next steps. The Council cannot guarantee that all organisations will be contacted who submit interest.

The intention would then be to advertise the tender opportunity to the market. The Council uses eSourcing NI as its e-tendering platform. If you are not yet registered with eSourcing NI we would suggest you do so without delay. As mentioned previously, this process will be kept as simple as possible.

Interested parties are asked to express their interest on or before 5pm Monday 1st September 2025 (by emailing cps@belfastcity.gov.uk). If you have any initial questions about this requirement, please also send them to cps@belfastcity.gov.uk and we will endeavour to respond as quickly as possible.

Please note the Council reserves the right to discontinue any discussions or tender procedures at any time and are not liable for any costs incurred by suppliers associated with participating in this PME exercise.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

1 October 2025

Contracting authority

Belfast City Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQXY-5321-CGZM

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Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland

