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Planning

Refurbishment of two Broads Authority public washing and toileting facilities

Broads Authority

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Scope

Description

Introduction

The Broads Authority is exploring options to modernise and improve public amenities at Acle Bridge and Great Yarmouth Yacht Station.

This includes, at Acle Bridge, the refurbishment of existing public toilets and the installation of accessible public showers to an existing public toilet block, as well as the refurbishment of public restrooms and showers at Great Yarmouth Yacht Station.

This PME seeks to gather information from suppliers, contractors, and designers regarding innovative approaches, cost-effective solutions, and technical considerations.

Background - Acle Bridge

The current facility at Acle Bridge was constructed around 1970 and consists of male and female toilet cubicles and wash basins. The brick-built structure is sound and has a serviceable connection to the public sewer.

The 1970s structure has outdated fittings, utilitarian and practical interiors and poor lighting. The current facility does not provide shower facilities. The Broads Authority seeks a modern, durable, and low-maintenance solution that aligns with its sustainability goals of low water and energy consumption, easy cleaning and care, with robust materials suitable for public use

Background - Great Yarmouth Yacht Station

The showering and toilet facilities, constructed in the 1960s, comprise male and female toilets, washbasins, and shower cubicles (two in each section).

The Broads Authority seeks a modern, durable, and low maintenance washing and toileting solution that aligns with its sustainability goals of low water & energy consumption, easy cleaning and care, with robust materials suitable for public use.

Project Objectives

The two refurbishment locations need to bring the antiquated toileting and washing facilities up to a modern and sustainable standard, providing:

- Hygiene, ease of care, maintenance and safety.
- At Acle Bridge, add showering cubicles to the existing space.
- At Great Yarmouth Yacht Station, refurbish the toilet and showers facilities.
- Incorporate low water, low energy and modern LED lighting
- Ensure vandal resistance and facility durability.

Total value (estimated)

- £100,000 excluding VAT
- £120,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 October 2025 to 21 November 2025
- 1 month, 2 days

Main procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 45330000 - Plumbing and sanitary works

Contract locations

- UKH - East of England

Engagement

Engagement deadline

9 September 2025

Engagement process description

Scope of Works

At both sites, this includes stripping out existing cubicles, basins, showers, plumbing, tiles, and fittings, returning to the existing building shell. Installation of indoor public showers (payment and timer operated). New plumbing, ventilation, lighting, and drainage connections. The Broads Authority wants to refurbish using low-water fittings, motion

sensors, LED lighting and a modern, robust design.

Key market questions

1. What materials and designs would best ensure durability and vandal resistance?
2. What energy-efficient and water-saving technologies would you recommend?
3. What is your experience delivering similar public amenities?
4. What are indicative cost ranges for similar projects?
5. What are realistic lead times from order to completion?
6. Are there modular or prefabricated solutions we should consider?
7. What payment systems that avoid coins or tokens are available?

Response Instructions

Suppliers should email responses to this preliminary market engagement (PME) process by emailing replies to rob.rogers@broads-authority.gov.uk, marking the response for the attention of Rob Rogers, Director of Delivery.

The submission deadline is 4 weeks from input date.

This PME process requests that suppliers include details of relevant projects they have completed, along with an estimate of costs and timescales for completion.

Confidentiality & Disclaimer

This Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) is not a commitment to purchase, and it is not part of the tendering process.

The information received will inform our future procurement, and participation in the PME process does not guarantee inclusion or success in any future tender process.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

22 September 2025

Contracting authority

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