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Planning

## **973513137 T1391 Expressions of Interest & Market Engagement Questionnaire for How to enable parcels traffic using existing stations and passenger train dwell times**

Rail Safety and Standards Board

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

973513137

### **Description**

973513137 T1391 Expressions of Interest & Market Engagement Questionnaire for How to enable parcels traffic using existing stations and passenger train dwell times.

We are planning a project to investigate the operational and engineering feasibility of enabling bulk mail and light goods traffic to be handled using existing station infrastructure and rolling stock. The work will consider typical platform/station spaces, boarding and alighting arrangements, management of passengers on platforms and handling equipment, and for bulk mail and light goods. Additionally, the impact of parcels on train dwell times—especially at intermediate stops—must be thoroughly assessed.

We are seeking to receive a response by 12:00 PM (GMT), 1st September 2025 setting out your potential interest.

The response must be submitted via the Delta e-sourcing portal. We expect the project to commence no later than late October 2025 and take no more than 6 months to complete. The full Invitation to Tender (ITT) is anticipated to be issued in September 2025.

Responses should be submitted in Word or PDF format and should not exceed 6 A4 pages. Supporting visuals or diagrams are welcome if they clarify methodology or risks.

RSSB will not provide individual feedback on MEQ responses but may share high-level outcomes of the engagement phase after the tender has been published.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-London:-Research-services./327AUGT32Z>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

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

- £75,000 excluding VAT
- £90,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

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

- 29 October 2025 to 28 October 2026
- 1 year

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 73110000 - Research services

### **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

1 September 2025

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Rail Safety and Standards Board**

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