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Tender

182_26 Creative Materials, Card, Textiles and Glitter

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

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Scope

Reference

182_26

Description

Framework for the supply of creative materials, card textiles and glitter, for delivery to the ESPO Distribution Centre, Leicester. This will include a wide variety of craft related products.

The Framework is divided into 4 lots.

Please refer to the procurement/tender documents for further details (please see below on how to access these).

To tender (please proceed to step (e) if an Expression of interest has already been completed):

(a) Go to <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>; (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '182_26' (via "View Opportunities" from the

EastMidsTenders Portal); (d) Express an interest (if not already completed via the previously Published Preliminary market engagement notice); (e) Download the procurement/tender documents (from the ProContract Activity summary screen, once an Expression of interest has been completed).

In the case of any questions or clarifications relating to this tender opportunity, these should be submitted to ESPO as a Message on the eProcurement Portal (again once an Expression of interest has been completed).

For further details on the Procurement Act, including registration on the Central Digital Platform, this can be found as follows:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/information-and-guidance-for-suppliers>

Or otherwise, please refer to the ESPO Website as follows:

<https://www.espo.org/the-procurement-act-2023>

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £2,880,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 March 2026 to 31 March 2028
- Possible extension to 28 February 2030
- 4 years

Description of possible extension:

Once the initial period of the contract has ended (i.e., 31 March 2028), there is an option to extend the framework by up to a further 23 months. This is dependent on ESPO, ESPO Customers, and market needs, as well as the performance of sales.

All estimated values captured in this notice include the option to extend the framework as noted above.

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

ESPO reserves the right to add or remove to the products listed within the Pricing Schedule (accessible with all other procurement/tender documents) throughout the lifetime of the Framework, so long as they are in line with the Framework scope.

Main procurement category

Goods

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
- GG - Guernsey
- IM - Isle of Man
- JE - Jersey

Not the same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot 1. Collage and Accessories

Description

Supply of assorted collage and craft products for delivery to the ESPO Distribution Centre, Leicester.

For further details, please refer to the procurement/tender documents.

Lot value (estimated)

- £1,272,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 37810000 - Handicraft supplies
- 37820000 - Art supplies

Same for all lots

Contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Craft Kits and Packs

Description

Supply of craft products and craft packs for delivery to the ESPO Distribution Centre, Leicester.

For further details, please refer to the procurement/tender documents.

Lot value (estimated)

- £312,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 09221200 - Paraffin wax
- 19220000 - Woollen fabrics
- 37810000 - Handicraft supplies
- 37820000 - Art supplies
- 39227100 - Sewing needles or knitting needles

Same for all lots

Contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. Textiles and Protective Covers

Description

Supply of textile and craft products for delivery to the ESPO Distribution Centre, Leicester.

For further details, please refer to the procurement/tender documents.

Lot value (estimated)

- £1,056,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 19200000 - Textile fabrics and related items
- 19400000 - Textile yarn and thread
- 37810000 - Handicraft supplies
- 37820000 - Art supplies
- 39227100 - Sewing needles or knitting needles

Same for all lots

Contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 4. Craft Paper and Accessories

Description

Supply of craft paper and accessories for delivery to the ESPO Distribution Centre, Leicester.

For further details, please refer to the procurement/tender documents.

Lot value (estimated)

- £240,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

CPV classifications

- 37810000 - Handicraft supplies
- 37823500 - Art and craft paper

Same for all lots

Contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

It should be noted that the Framework could be used, as outlined in option 1 and 2 below, by ESPO where creative materials, card, textiles and glitter is required:

Option 1 -Call-off without competition

'Calling-off' Goods from the awarded Supplier who is a) included in the Framework and b) identified as offering the most advantageous solution to ESPO's requirements, based on the Framework award decision.

For Lots (including sub-lots), purchase orders will be placed with the awarded Supplier as required by ESPO.

Option 2 - Call-off with competition (Competitive Selection Process)

'Calling-off' by conducting a competition (competitive selection process) amongst those Suppliers identified in the Framework as being able to provide the required Goods.

Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Lot 1. Collage and Accessories

Lot 2. Craft Kits and Packs

Lot 3. Textiles and Protective Covers

Lot 4. Craft Paper and Accessories

Refer to the procurement/tender documents for conditions of participation.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Lot 1. Collage and Accessories

Lot 2. Craft Kits and Packs

Lot 3. Textiles and Protective Covers

Lot 4. Craft Paper and Accessories

Refer to the procurement/tender documents for conditions of participation.

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Collage and Accessories

Lot 2. Craft Kits and Packs

Lot 3. Textiles and Protective Covers

Lot 4. Craft Paper and Accessories

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

10 September 2025, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

17 September 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Please refer to all instructions captured via <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

28 November 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	80%
Non-Price	Quality	20%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

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Technical specifications to be met

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

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Contracting authority

Leicestershire County Council, trading as ESPO

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYDD-1122-TCVN

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Leicester

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United Kingdom

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Region: UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government