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Planning

SOL Community Grant Making Service PME

Solihull MBC

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Scope

Reference

SOL30098

Description

This service is to promote, administer, and manage The Solihull Community Grants Programme that supports voluntary and community sector organisations to deliver activities and services that benefit local communities and residents.

Total value (estimated)

- £150,000 excluding VAT
- £150,000 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2029
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

Contract locations

- UKG32 - Solihull

Engagement

Engagement deadline

30 September 2025

Engagement process description

SMBC is carrying out early market engagement to help shape the future commissioning of a service that manages and distributes community grants. We want to understand whether there is interest from organisations in bidding for this contract, should it be

opened to the wider market. Anticipated Process/Timescales* Market testing sent out 12/09/2025 Deadline for return from providers 30/09/2025

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

8 December 2025

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Solihull MBC

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government