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Tender

Whole System Monitoring & Rail Reform Strategic Support

Office of Rail and Road

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Scope

Reference

ORR CT 25-58

Description

The Office of Rail and Road (ORR) is inviting tenders for the provision of strategic consultancy services to support its evolving monitoring role in response to anticipated rail industry reforms, including the establishment of Great British Railways (GBR). The successful supplier will provide expert advice, analysis, and design work to help ORR define its future regulatory responsibilities, transition planning, and organisational capabilities.

This contract will be awarded as a call-off agreement, with individual Statements of Work issued during the contract period. The supplier must demonstrate multi-disciplinary expertise across rail economics, infrastructure, operations, and stakeholder engagement. The contract will run until 31 March 2026, with a maximum budget of £200,000 (inclusive of VAT).

This procurement is being conducted as a below-threshold Competitive Flexible

Procedure in accordance with the Procurement Act 2023.

Total value (estimated)

- £166,666 excluding VAT
- £200,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 3 November 2025 to 31 March 2026
- Possible extension to 30 June 2026
- 7 months, 28 days

Description of possible extension:

The contract will run until 31 March 2026. While no formal extension period is defined, ORR reserves the right to modify the duration of the contract in response to evolving policy, stakeholder requirements, or legislative developments. Any such changes would be subject to formal contract change notices.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71311200 - Transport systems consultancy services
- 71311300 - Infrastructure works consultancy services

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Enquiry deadline

3 October 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

14 October 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Tenders must be submitted electronically via the ORR eTendering portal:

<https://orr.bravosolution.co.uk/go/60719652019975F09190>

Bidders must ensure that all documents are uploaded to the correct envelopes before the submission deadline:

Technical Envelope: Quality response (Methodology, Delivery, Experience), Disclaimer, and Cyber Essentials or ISO27001 certification (or equivalent).

Commercial Envelope: Pricing proposal and completed Form of Tender.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

The contract will be awarded to the supplier submitting the most advantageous tender, based on the following weighted criteria:

Methodology (20%) - Quality and relevance of the proposed approach, including stakeholder engagement and delivery mechanisms.

Delivery (20%) - Project management, resource allocation, risk mitigation, and adaptability to evolving requirements.

Experience (45%) - Relevant consultancy experience, including CVs of proposed personnel and case studies of similar work.

Cost / Value for Money (15%) - Rate-based pricing proposal, assessed using a day rate model.

Quality criteria will be scored on a scale from 0 (Unacceptable) to 5 (Excellent). Price will be evaluated relative to the lowest bid submitted

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Documents

Associated tender documents

[ORR CT 25-58 ITT Statement of Requirement Final.pdf](#)

[ORR CT 25-58 Template - Disclaimer.docx](#)

[ORR CT 25-58 Template - Form of Tender - Day Rate.docx](#)

[ORR CT 25-58 Template Long-Form Services Agreement + Cover Sheet.docx](#)

Contracting authority

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