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Planning

PRE MARKET ENGAGEMENT FOR TENDER FOR THE DIGITISATION AND DISPOSAL OF PLANNING RECORDS REF: 2526 TNDR RP 003 Pre Market Engagement***

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The <u>previous version</u> is still available.

Scope

Reference

2526 TNDR RP 003

Description

PRE-MARKET ENGAGEMENT EXERCISE

PLEASE NOTE: The Pre-Market Engagement Questionnaire can be accessed in the Cft Documents area.

Fermanagh and Omagh District Council (FODC) is currently considering whether to initiate a procurement process to establish a contract with a Supplier to digitise and dispose of records. This would establish a contract with a supplier to collect, prepare, digitise and index hard copy planning records and safely dispose of the physical copies. This Pre Market Engagement exercise will also inform the Council of the availability of Frameworks when determining the final Procurement process. The Council is also wishing to explore a potential option for online access to the final digitised records for the public, which will generate revenue and overall enhance operational efficiencies, including cost reductions and ensuring the long-term integrity of historical records. The broad scope of the project is outlined in more detail in the Attached Questionnaire. Before commencing the procurement process, FODC is undertaking pre-market research and seeks to assess; • the level of market interest in participating, • the potential options available in the market, and • in particular the potential to make use of emerging technologies, including AI. No part of this process should be read as generating an expectation in relation to any future procurement process for this project.

This market engagement exercise does not guarantee the commencement of a commercial competition resulting in monetary income or future outlay.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA THE eTendersNI Portal.*

Respondees are not required to wait until the closing date to submit a response.

PME QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES MAY BE SUBMITTED VIA THE ETENDERSNI CFT MESSAGING FACILITY AT ANY TIME UP TO Mid-Day 12:00 on 7th October 2025

Total value (estimated)

- £250,000 excluding VAT
- £300,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 15 May 2026 to 14 May 2027
- Possible extension to 14 May 2028
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 48310000 Document creation software package
- 48311000 Document management software package
- 79999100 Scanning services
- 72130000 Computer-site planning consultancy services
- 72500000 Computer-related services
- 72510000 Computer-related management services
- 79996100 Records management
- 79990000 Miscellaneous business-related services
- 79995100 Archiving services

Contract locations

• UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Engagement

Engagement deadline

7 October 2025

Engagement process description

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This would establish a contract with a supplier to collect, prepare, digitise and index hard copy planning records and safely dispose of the physical copies.

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Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

9 March 2026

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland