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Planning

## **BLC0271 - Drug Testing On Arrest - Market Engagement Notice**

BLUELIGHT COMMERCIAL LIMITED

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

BLC0271

### **Description**

BlueLight Commercial (BLC) are publishing a Preliminary Market Engagement Notice to gather information in relation to devices to support the police Drug Testing on Arrest programme.

BLC are looking at options to replace the current procurement vehicle used by policing for the Drug Testing on Arrest programme and it's evolving needs. BLC will conduct the Preliminary Market Engagement to ensure better understanding of the market, supplier appetite, capacity, and capability, as well as perceived risks and opportunities. The aim is to ensure all forces have access to the most effective, reliable, and innovative solutions available in the market.

Please note the procurement vehicle, publication date and contract dates for this tender

are still to be decided as the strategy will be devised after the Market Engagement has taken place.

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 October 2026 to 30 September 2029
- Possible extension to 30 September 2030
- 4 years

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 33124131 - Reagent strips
- 33141900 - Blood lancets
- 33696200 - Blood-testing reagents
- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents
- 38434520 - Blood analysers
- 38500000 - Checking and testing apparatus
- 38544000 - Drug detection apparatus
- 71900000 - Laboratory services

- 85100000 - Health services

## **Contract locations**

- UKI32 - Westminster

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

27 February 2026

### **Engagement process description**

A request for information via a written response is being asked for in the first instance and we ask this is returned by Friday 3rd October at 5pm. Please read the pre-market engagement scope and complete the survey both located within In-Tend.

Virtual meetings via teams will take place on Monday 13th October, Tuesday 14th October and Wednesday 15th October. These sessions will provide an opportunity to expand on the information provided in the survey. After the meetings have taken place the market engagement survey will remain open until a short-time before the tender is published to ensure feedback can still be gathered and taken into consideration.

Please visit <https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/blpd/home> to register on the BlueLight Commercial e-tendering platform.

Once registered, please navigate to Portals in the top right of the screen and log in to BlueLight Commercial Portal. Then search for BLC0271.

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## Participation

### Particular suitability

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

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 March 2026

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## Contracting authority

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government