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Tender

HMICFRS Consultancy

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority

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Scope

Reference

DSQ293-25

Description

Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Authority is seeking to award a contract for the provision of HMICFRS Consultancy.

The consultancy support is required in relation to our 'People Improvement Plan' and the cause of concern on prevention activity, specifically Home Fire Safety Visits, in the 2025 HMICFRS report.

It is estimated that 2-4 days per week (on average) between October and December 2025 will be required from a consultant. A further 20 days consultancy may be required between January and March 2026.

Total value (estimated)

- £120,000 excluding VAT
- £144,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 13 October 2025 to 12 April 2027
- 1 year, 6 months

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

The Authority may require additional but related consultancy support in addition to what has been detailed within the Invitation to Tender.

For the avoidance of doubt, any additional consultancy has been included in the maximum contract value of £120,000.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79411000 - General management consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKK - South West (England)

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Tender submission deadline

7 October 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Suppliers who are interested in this opportunity can view the Invitation to Tender on our e-tendering portal. The e-tendering portal is located at:

<https://sell2.in-tend.co.uk/blpd/home>

Suppliers will need to click on 'Tenders' (top right hand side of screen) and search 'HMICFRS' as a key word. This opportunity should then appear for suppliers to click on and register their interest against (you will be required to have a login for the portal). Suppliers should then be able to access the Invitation to Tender documents. Bids and clarifications must be submitted via the In-Tend e-tendering portal.

The e-tendering portal is free to use. Suppliers can find guidance on using the e-tendering portal via:

<https://bluelightcommercial.police.uk/media/2284/sell2bluelight-in-tend-full-supplier->

[guide.pdf](#)

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Suitability Assessment - Pass or Fail

Quality (inc. Delivery) - 60% (with a minimum pass mark required per assessment question)

Price - 40%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Authority

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNLD-1131-HTWN

Service Headquarters

Exeter

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United Kingdom

Email: procurement@dsfire.gov.uk

Region: UKK43 - Devon CC

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government