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Planning

Pre-Tender Market Engagement - Business Tees Valley Digital Platform - Lot 2

Tees Valley Combined Authority

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Scope

Reference

TVCA-PROC-0606

Description

Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA), part of the Tees Valley Combined Authority Group, seeks to engage the market through this Pre-Tender Market Engagement (PTME) exercise in preparation for the potential procurement of a supplier to deliver a complete solution to populating TVCA's new online Business Support Platform with high-quality digital tools and resources, as well as funding opportunities and business support programmes. This will include a comprehensive mapping exercise at a local, regional and national level, and the development of TVCA branded resources to plug identified gaps as necessary.

This relates to TVCA-PROC-0606 and this PTME is Lot 2 of the for the potential procurement of a supplier to deliver a complete web-based solution for TVCA's Business Support Service with AI integration, including built-in diagnostic and functionality for a tailored self-service business support journey.

Through this PTME, the Contracting Authority aims to:

- Understand the market's appetite to be involved in the potential future procurement exercise;
- Validate the supplier's proposal;
- Understand the capacity of the market and timescales for delivery
- Potential risks associated with the procurement
- Understand opportunities, costs and considerations
- Provide potential suppliers with an opportunity to raise queries and points of consideration in advance of any potential procurement exercise.

Please refer to the Pre-Tender Market Engagement documents for further detail. These can be found on the ProContract e-tendering portal:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=3058946b-4469-f011-813a-005056b64545&fromProjectDashboard=True>

You will need to register as a supplier to gain access to the tender documentation. Registration is free.

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 October 2025 to 1 October 2026
- Possible extension to 1 October 2027
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

Contract locations

- UKC1 - Tees Valley and Durham

Engagement

Engagement deadline

15 August 2025

Engagement process description

To respond to this pre-market engagement request, you must be registered to use the ProContract e-tendering portal:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=3058946b-4469-f011-813a-005056b64545&fromProjectDashboard=True>

All completed responses must be submitted electronically via the portal using the submission template.

Should you require assistance in relation to the e-tender portal, please contact Proactis Supplier Support either on-line at <https://suppliersupport.proactisservicedesk.com>, via email to ProContractSuppliers@proactis.com or call 0330 0050 352.

Queries regarding this process and/or the content of this PTME should be submitted as clarification requests via the portal, no communication will be accepted via other means.

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Contracting authority

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