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Planning

## **Preliminary Market Engagement for the Collection and Recycling of Food Waste**

Swindon Borough Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

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### **Description**

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public and qualifying authorities including SBC, Parish Councils and other organisations at the Council's Waterside depot. This will be approximately 5,120 tonnes per annum (not guaranteed) and will include any items identified as food waste as per the specification. There will be daily collections, the numbers of which may be variable.

The proposed initial contract term is 36 months with a proposed contract commencement date of February 2026, with an option to extend for a further 24 months (1 period of 24 months) for a potential total contract term of 60 months.

Estimated contract spend for the initial 36 months is £228,000 and £380,000 across the potential 60-months contract term. The Council anticipates receiving a significant rebate based on the volume of food waste collected and recycled.

The purpose of this preliminary market engagement is to gain market insight into the following aspects of the project: -

? Market Interest

? Contract/Project Length.

? Route to Market

? Timescales.

? Specialist knowledge

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Responses are required to be submitted no later than 31 October 2025, 10:00 hrs UK Local time via ProContract tender portal - <https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £380,000 excluding VAT
- £456,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 2 February 2026 to 1 February 2029
- Possible extension to 1 February 2031
- 5 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 90500000 - Refuse and waste related services

### **Contract locations**

- UKK14 - Swindon

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

31 October 2025

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Swindon Borough Council**

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