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Termination

Audit Services for Opted-In Bodies

PUBLIC SECTOR AUDIT APPOINTMENTS LIMITED

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Unawarded contract

This contract will not be signed.

Date of decision not to sign contract

11 September 2025

Reason for not signing contract

Following publication of a pipeline notice 2025/S 000-024152 (UK1) in May 2025 to inform that Public Sector Audit Appointments Limited (PSAA) was considering options around main audit services contracts for years 28/29 and 29/30, this notice confirms that the decision has been made to extend existing agreements.

On that basis - current contracts are extended to 31 March 2030 in all cases.

All intentions regarding future procurement of these services will be made via new notices on this platform - expected initial update by early 2028. It is expected that the Local Audit Office (LAO) will conduct the next procurement rather than PSAA (see details below).

NB: As previously noted the local audit system is undergoing significant reform following the government's announcement in December 2024 "Local audit reform: a strategy for overhauling the local audit system in England". The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014, which currently governs the appointment of local auditors, is likely to change significantly under these reforms. The government plans to establish the LAO as a statutory and independent body to streamline the system, which will assume PSAA's functions including appointing and procuring auditors for principal authorities. The government's plans include removal of the option for authorities to appoint their own auditor, potential changes to Key Audit Partner eligibility criteria, and developing public provision of audit services. Therefore, legislative changes are likely to affect the regulatory framework relevant to this procurement when a decision is made to proceed.

Contracting authority

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