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Planning

Pre Market Engagement for an Updated Conferencing System within the Council Chamber and Committee rooms

Bridgend County Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

B986

Description

Bridgend County Borough Council is looking to explore innovation in the marketplace ahead of the procurement of updated conferencing systems within the Council Chamber and Committee rooms. The essential aim of the new systems will be to facilitate effective hybrid meetings and future sustainability, via a whole system approach, in line with the requirements of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021. Both systems need to enable seamless hybrid meetings (in-person + remote), ensure accessibility and inclusivity, provide high-quality audio-visual experience for all participants and both record and live stream public meetings. The Chamber system also needs to support transparent decision-making with real-time integrated voting.

Total value (estimated)

- £400,000 excluding VAT
- £500,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 30 January 2026 to 30 January 2031
- 5 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 32320000 Television and audio-visual equipment
- 32340000 Microphones and loudspeakers
- 32350000 Parts of sound and video equipment

Contract locations

• UKL17 - Bridgend and Neath Port Talbot

Engagement

Engagement deadline

31 October 2025

Engagement process description

Premarket engagement opportunity for interested suppliers to visit the chambers and meeting rooms, and for the Authority to engage with said industry experts to help inform the final specification that will future proof this vital function.

This event will be happening on the 24th October 2025 at 1:00pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Offices, Angel Street Bridgend CF31 4WB.

Interested parties are to email Rachel Keepins Democratic Services Manager to secure a place at this event - Rachel.Keepins@bridgend.gov.uk

Participation

Particular suitability

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

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

18 November 2025

Contracting authority

Bridgend County Borough Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales