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Tender

Emergency Tree Works

Kent County Council

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05cd31

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Scope

Reference

CN260458

Description

The provision of emergency response specialist tree surgery teams to attend at short notice on a 24/7 basis. Emergency response times will include 2 hour and 24-hour requirement. Suppliers will be required to provide suitably qualified staff and have access to the necessary specialised equipment to be able to remove fallen trees and branches from causing an obstruction to the highway. Moreover, the ability to work at height in a safe manner, using appropriate working methods to remove broken or hanging branches or partially fallen trees presenting a danger to the highway.

The existing Emergency Tree Works contract (Ref: SC21010) expires on 31st March 2026. The contract is not subject to further renewal and therefore a new procurement exercise is being conducted to set up a new contract.

More information on the service can be found within the procurement Documents

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Maidstone:-Agricultural%2C-forestry%2C-horticultural%2C-aquacultural-and-apicultural-services./FK4465X6U6>

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Total value (estimated)

- £12,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services

Lot constraints

Maximum number of lots a supplier can be awarded: 1

Not the same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

Lot 1. Lot 1 - West

Description

Dartford, Gravesham, Maidstone, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge & Malling and Tunbridge Wells,
*Medway West

Lot value (estimated)

- £6,000,000 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 31 March 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2034
- 8 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

The contract can be extended for up to three years, at the discretion of the Council.

Contract locations

- UKJ4 - Kent

Same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Lot 2 - East

Description

Ashford, Canterbury, Dover, Folkestone & Hythe, Swale and Thanet, *Medway East

Lot value (estimated)

- £6,000,000 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2034
- 8 years

Description of possible extension:

The contract can be extended for up to three years, at the discretion of the Council.

Same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. Lot 1 - West

Lot 2. Lot 2 - East

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

26 November 2025, 12:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

26 November 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Maidstone:-Agricultural%2C-forestry%2C-horticultural%2C-aquacultural-and-apicultural-services./FK4465X6U6>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

16 February 2026

Award criteria**Lot 1. Lot 1 - West**

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Lowest NTV over Minimum Quality Threshold.	Info in ITT Letter	Price	100%

Lot 2. Lot 2 - East

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Lowest NTV over Minimum Quality Threshold.	Info in ITT Letter.	Price	100%

Other information**Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

The Competitive Flexible Procedure (CFP) chosen for this procurement is based upon 4 stages. 1) Invitation to tender (Including PSQ). 2) Clarification and Negotiation. 3) Invitation to Submit Final Tender (ISFT). 4) Contract Award.

Contracting authority

Kent County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLDL-8938-YGYW

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government