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Award

Election and Electoral Registration Print

The Association of North East Councils Limited

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Scope

Reference

NEPO504

Description

The Association of North East Councils Trading as the North East Procurement Organisation (NEPO) is seeking to establish a multi-supplier Framework Agreement for the provision of election and electoral registration printing and related services for use by contracting authorities throughout the North East region.

NEPO intends to award further successive frameworks at least every 2 and 5 years until expiry of the Framework Agreement term. As such, suppliers which have not been appointed to this Framework will have the opportunity to be appointed to the subsequent framework.

Suppliers wishing to access and complete the tender documents must first register on Open the eTendering system using the following link <https://www.open-uk.org>.

For guidance on how to create an account or submit your questionnaire response through

Open, please visit <https://www.open-hub.org/training> (<https://www.open-hub.org/training>) to access the available Training Guides. If you need technical assistance from the Open Support team, this can be requested via email at open.support@nepo.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Open is accessible 24/7 however, technical support is available Monday to Thursday 08:30 - 17:00 and Friday 08:30 - 16:30.

Commercial tool

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

Contract 1

Suppliers (4)

- ADARE SEC LIMITED
- CIVICA ELECTION SERVICES LIMITED
- Financial Data Management Ltd
- Print Image Network Ltd

Contract value

- £75,000,000 excluding VAT
- £90,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

5 November 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

6 November 2025

Standstill period

- End: 17 November 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

21 November 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 30 November 2029
- Possible extension to 30 November 2033
- 8 years

Description of possible extension:

The Framework will be established as an Open Framework under section 49 of the Procurement Act. The second Framework will be awarded before the third anniversary of the commencement date, it is estimated this will be Q2/2028. As such, suppliers which

have not been appointed to the first Framework will have the opportunity to be appointed to a subsequent Framework. Following the second Framework, NEPO intends to award further successive Frameworks at least every 3 years until expiry of the Open Framework term, which will not exceed eight years in total (in accordance with section 49(2)(c) of the Act).

NEPO reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to reopen the Open Framework throughout its term to award a successive Framework in the scheme. NEPO may exercise this right where there is a need to increase capacity in the market or to respond to emerging market conditions or to address additional works requirements or to replace a supplier due to failure/poor performance/material breaches. In each case, a Tender Notice shall be published informing suppliers of the procurement process for the next Framework in the scheme.

Each Framework under the Open Framework will expire on the award of the next Framework in the scheme. However, if a Framework expires while a process for the award of a Call-off Contract is ongoing, a Contracting Authority may continue to process and award the Call-off Contract as though the Framework had not expired.

NEPO reserves the right not to procure or award any successive Framework in the Open Framework scheme.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 22000000 - Printed matter and related products
- 79800000 - Printing and related services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)

Information about tenders

- 4 tenders received
- 4 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 2 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 4 suppliers awarded contracts
- 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Suppliers

ADARE SEC LIMITED

- Companies House: 02814431
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PVJX-8454-QVHH

133 Scudamore Road

Leicester

LE3 1UQ

United Kingdom

Email: bidteam@adaresec.com

Website: <http://www.adaresec.com>

Region: UKF21 - Leicester

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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CIVICA ELECTION SERVICES LIMITED

- Companies House: 02263092
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPGC-9469-GPCM

Southbank Central

London

SE1 9LQ

United Kingdom

Email: electionservices@civica.com

Website: <https://www.civica.com/en-gb/campaigns/civica-election-services/>

Region: UKI44 - Lewisham and Southwark

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Financial Data Management Ltd

- Companies House: 2827644
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTJX-7612-MYWM

Unit 7 Segro Park, 160 Bidder Street

London

E16 4ES

United Kingdom

Email: sales@fdmdocumentsolutions.co.uk

Website: <http://www.fdmdocumentsolutions.co.uk>

Region: UKI41 - Hackney and Newham

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Print Image Network Ltd

- Companies House: 4009079
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCHZ-7336-TPDV

The Tannery, Water Street

Stockport

SK1 2BP

United Kingdom

Email: sales@printimagenetwork.com

Website: <http://www.printimagenetwork.com>

Region: UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

The Association of North East Councils Limited

- Companies House: 05014821
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYVX-2132-JNMM

Northern Design Centre

Gateshead

NE8 3DF

United Kingdom

Email: cdpnepoteam@nepo.org

Website: <http://www.nepo.org>

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government