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Contract

Impacts of Council Tax Reform – Research Programme

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

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Scope

Reference

C212/2024/2025

Description

The Welsh Government is undertaking a programme of research to inform the Programme for Government commitment to reform council tax to ensure a fairer and more progressive system. Council tax is currently based on property values which are twenty years out of date. The Welsh Government is committed to the aim of making council tax more up-to-date and fairer. The current programme of research builds on the extensive programme of work between 2017 2024 to explore reforms to local taxes and local government finance in Wales, included the exploration of the impact of council tax reforms by the IFS, published in 2023/4. This contract will develop further this previous research as well as cover related areas of local government finance reform and interest. Summary - The Welsh Government is commissioning work, over a three-year period to further

understand the impacts of specifically council tax reform, but also potentially other types of local government finance reform, across a range of research questions and themed work packages.

Contract 1. Impacts of Council Tax Reform – Research Programme

Supplier

- Centre for Economics and Business Research Ltd

Contract value

- £300,000 excluding VAT
- £360,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

7 November 2025

Contract dates

- 10 November 2025 to 9 November 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKL - Wales

Key performance indicators

Name	Reporting frequency
Contract Delivery Milestones	3 months

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights

Only supplier who can facilitate this requirement.

Supplier

Centre for Economics and Business Research Ltd

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): Yes

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Llywodraeth Cymru / Welsh Government

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQYQ-3841-BHTP

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales