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Tender

# T2646 - Provision of Bedding Plants, Bedding Bulbs and Associated Floral Display Services

**Belfast City Council** 

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## Scope

#### Reference

T2646

#### **Description**

This Contract is for the Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants, bedding bulbs and Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service across a number of Council locations 'the Premises' under the following Lots:

- Lot 1 Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants
- Lot 2 Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service
- Lot 3 Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs

Lot 1 Goods - will provide the supply and delivery of High-Quality Summer and Winter Bedding Plants. Belfast City Council has a number of parks and open spaces in which high quality floral bedding schemes are provided.

Lot 2 Services - will provide maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service. Belfast City Council's City & Neighbourhood Services Department supports the "Belfast in Bloom" initiative by providing hanging baskets, flower towers, and planters across the city during the summer season. To maintain these displays to a high standard, the Council seeks to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Contractor to carry out maintenance and end-of-season removal. All floral containers remain the property of the Council.

Lot 3 Goods - will provide the supply, delivery and off-loading of good quality forcing and bedding bulbs to be delivered to 4 park sites during fixed dates in the months of September and October throughout the contract duration.

#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £1,000,000 excluding VAT
- £1,200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### Contract dates (estimated)

- 9 February 2026 to 8 February 2029
- Possible extension to 8 September 2031
- 5 years, 7 months

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend for a further 2 years (1+1).

#### Main procurement category

Goods

#### **Contract locations**

• UKN - Northern Ireland

#### Not the same for all lots

CPV classifications are shown in Lot sections, because they are not the same for all lots.

# Lot 1. Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants

## **Description**

The supply and delivery of High-Quality Summer and Winter Bedding Plants. Belfast City Council has a number of parks and open spaces in which high quality floral bedding schemes are provided.

## Lot value (estimated)

- £480,000 excluding VAT
- £576,000 including VAT

#### **CPV** classifications

• 03451100 - Bedding plants

#### Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

# Lot 2. Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service

#### **Description**

Lot 2 Services - will provide maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service. Belfast City Council's City & Neighbourhood Services Department supports the "Belfast in Bloom" initiative by providing hanging baskets, flower towers, and planters across the city during the summer season. To maintain these displays to a high standard, the Council seeks to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Contractor to carry out maintenance and end-of-season removal. All floral containers remain the property of the Council.

#### Lot value (estimated)

- £340,000 excluding VAT
- £408,000 including VAT

#### **CPV** classifications

77330000 - Floral-display services

#### Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

## Lot 3. Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs

#### **Description**

Lot 3 Goods - will provide the supply, delivery and off-loading of good quality forcing and bedding bulbs to be delivered to 4 park sites during fixed dates in the months of September and October throughout the contract duration.

#### Lot value (estimated)

- £180,000 excluding VAT
- £216,000 including VAT

#### **CPV** classifications

• 03121100 - Live plants, bulbs, roots, cuttings and slips

#### Same for all lots

Contract locations and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

# **Participation**

## Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

- Lot 1. Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants
- Lot 2. Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service
- Lot 3. Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs

Public liability insurance

Employers liability insurance

#### Technical ability conditions of participation

- Lot 1. Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants
- Lot 2. Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service
- Lot 3. Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs

Company Experience

#### Particular suitability

- Lot 1. Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants
- Lot 2. Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service
- Lot 3. Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs
- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

#### **Submission**

#### **Enquiry deadline**

9 December 2025, 12:00pm

#### Tender submission deadline

16 December 2025, 12:00pm

#### Submission address and any special instructions

https://e-sourcingni.ukp.app.jaggaer.com

#### Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

## Languages that may be used for submission

English

## Award decision date (estimated)

2 January 2026

## **Recurring procurement**

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 7 February 2031

#### **Award criteria**

## Lot 1. Supply and delivery of high-quality bedding plants

Name	Туре	Weighting
Cost	Cost	60%
Quality	Quality	25%
Social Value	Quality	15%

## Lot 2. Maintenance, removal and emptying of floral displays service

# Lot 3. Delivery and Off-loading of Forcing and Bedding Bulbs

Name	Туре	Weighting	
Cost	Cost	60%	
Quality	Quality	30%	
Social Value	Quality	10%	

#### Other information

#### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

## **Procedure**

#### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

# Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

A Preliminary Market Engagement Notice was not published as the Council has an established understanding of the limited local supplier base for bedding plants, bulbs, and floral display services. The requirements are routine, recurring, and straightforward, with specifications consistent with previous procurements.

# **Contracting authority**

# **Belfast City Council**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland