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Award

Livestock Management Service

Essex County Council

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Scope

Reference

C017PA

Description

Place Services Legacy Grazing project provides bespoke habitat management through conservation grazing to clients across Essex, Hertfordshire, Suffolk and Kent. This is a chargeable service provided to landowners who require grazing to fulfil objectives and obligations under statutory designations for example, such as SSSI's etc.

The contract is a re-procurement of a single supplier to provide native breed livestock and livestock management services, in accordance with a grazing schedule, on behalf of Legacy Grazing. During the course of the contract new clients / sites may be added or removed and the contractor will be required to increase or reduce the herd accordingly with ECC retaining the right to procure additional services to increase capacity if the contractor is unable to meet the requirement.

Contract 1

Supplier

- RED COW CONTRACTING LTD

Contract value

- £1,106,860.09 excluding VAT
- £1,328,232.11 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

13 November 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

13 November 2025

Standstill period

- End: 24 November 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

2 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2031
- Possible extension to 31 March 2033
- 7 years

Description of possible extension:

There is an option to extend the contract once for a period of up to 24 months. The decision to extend the Agreement is at the sole discretion of Essex County Council.

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

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CPV classifications

- 03320000 - Cattle, livestock and small animals

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Information about tenders

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

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

RED COW CONTRACTING LTD

- Companies House: 16786612
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLQG-4678-NVQT

Fen Cottage Fen Lane

Ipswich

IP6 8QE

United Kingdom

Email: OFFICE@RED-COW.COM

Region: UKH14 - Suffolk

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

Essex County Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWVM-4844-NRQH

County Hall, Market Road

Chelmsford

CM1 1QH

United Kingdom

Email: benedict.itoyah@essex.gov.uk

Region: UKH36 - Heart of Essex

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government