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Contract

## **FCP: E.L.M Payment Rate Verification**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

C29913

### **Description**

This Contract between the Buyer and the Supplier is for the supply of Deliverables, being E.L.M Payment Rate Verification

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### **Lot 2. Lot 2: Payment rate verification**

## Description

Lot 2: Payment rate verification • Completion of annual payment rate review rates (expected to be 1/3 of SFI Payment rates) every year for publication deadlines, subject to the authority's need. • The deliverables in this case will be a report on the accuracy of the payment rates developed including the accuracy of assumptions and data. • 10 working days to complete verification. Deadlines set in agreement at time of issue of work package. • Initial verification comments provided to the authority upon completion of work package. • Report compiling verification comments provided to the Authority following completion of large work packages. To be agreed at time of issue of work package.

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## Contract 4. FCP: E.L.M Payment Rate Verification

### Lots

Lot 2. Lot 2: Payment rate verification

### Supplier

- [Cumulus Consultants Ltd](#)

### Contract value

- £400,000 excluding VAT
- £480,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Date signed**

10 November 2025

## **Contract dates**

- 12 November 2025 to 11 November 2027
- Possible extension to 2 November 2029
- 3 years, 11 months, 21 days

Description of possible extension:

Further 2 x 12-month option to extend up to 2nd November 2029

Extension exercised where the Buyer gives the Supplier no less than 3 Months' written notice before this Contract expires.

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

2+1+1

## **CPV classifications**

- 73110000 - Research services

## Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

## Key performance indicators

Name	Description	Reporting frequency
Completion of verification of annual payment review rates.	Every year for publication deadlines, subject to the authority's need. Completion of verification within agreed timelines at least 98% at all times	12 months
Report compiling verification comments provided to the Authority following completion of large work packages.	To be agreed at time of issue of work package. Completion of verification within agreed timelines - at least 98% complete during the timelines.	12 months
Complete any adhoc work within the agreed upon timelines.	Completion of verification within agreed timelines, approved by SRO at least 98% at all times.	12 months

## Other information

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

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## **Supplier**

### **Cumulus Consultants Ltd**

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Region: UKK13 - Gloucestershire

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

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS**

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government