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Planning

## **Class Support**

STUDENT LOANS COMPANY

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## **Scope**

## **Reference**

2025-TR-0067

## **Description**

CLASS is an ageing bespoke application and supported by ageing on premise hardware and virtualisation. It is the key function for Pay and Repay services. SLC strategy is to reduce reliance on physical data centres, and technology which needs to be renewed, maintained, and supported. Hosting CLASS on the Cloud will reduce reliance on data centres and the associated effort to support them.

The proposal aligns with overall government Cloud First approach and modernises the technology which supports CLASS.

The requirement shall be for the design and procurement of a cloud based platform in order to meet SLC requirements in an ongoing basis.

This is a retrospective notice as premarket engagement was undertaken by issuing a

premarket engagement questionnaire to all companies listed on CCS Framework reference RM6292 (Cloud Compute 2) Lot 1 -Core Services. The questionnaire was issued via the Delta Esourcing portal on 21/07/2025 and closed on 11/08/2025

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £1,500,000 excluding VAT
- £1,800,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2029
- 3 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 72212211 - Platform interconnectivity software development services

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

11 August 2025

The engagement was carried out before this notice was published.

### **Engagement process description**

A premarket engagement questionnaire was issued to all companies listed on CCS Framework reference RM6292 Cloud Compute Services 2 Lot 1 (Core Services) on 21/07/2025 and ended on 11/08/2025.

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

5 January 2026

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## **Contracting authority**

**STUDENT LOANS COMPANY**

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMXL-3278-BCWT

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