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Tender

Provision of Portal Official Veterinarian (OV) Services to the Dover Port Health Authority

Dover District Council

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Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-079700

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-05eeb2

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Scope

Reference

998923438

Description

Dover District Council wishes to select and appoint a suitable provider for the provision of 6 (six) experienced Portal Official Veterinarians (OV) to undertake border controls and biosecurity checks on products of animal origin at the Port of Dover with the potential to increase this provision should the service expand to other Ports which fall under our jurisdiction

The Contract is anticipated to commence 1st April 2026 and will continue for a period of 12 months and may be extended for a further two periods of 12 months subject to the satisfactory performance of the Contract by the Contractor and at the Council's entire discretion.

Expressions of interest will only be accepted via the Kent Business Portal. The completed ITT response is to be submitted electronically via the Kent Business Portal by no later

than 12:00 hours on 12th January 2026.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/tenders/UK-UK-Dover:-Veterinary-services./7HQHW9QSU6>

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Total value (estimated)

- £2,127,600 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2029
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

1 x 12 months (1/4/2027 - 31/3/2028)

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Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85200000 - Veterinary services

Contract locations

- UKJ44 - East Kent

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

5 January 2026, 5:00pm

Tender submission deadline

12 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/respond/7HQHW9QSU6>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

3 March 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	60%
Cost	Cost	40%

Other information**Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Dover District Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWJX-1894-TZPX

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Region: UKJ44 - East Kent

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government