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**Award** 

### **Office Network Connections**

#### **ASTER GROUP LIMITED**

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# Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The <u>previous version</u> is still available.

The contract Value for the initial 3 years has been adjusted from £823,998 including VAT to £972,000 inc VAT an increase of £148,002 to factor in planned increase in activities and the cost of inflation

## Scope

#### Reference

### **Description**

This procurement is for the supply of network infrastructure services. Claranet has been Aster's network infrastructure partner for over 10 years. Aster currently procures network infrastructure services that include the design, delivery, and ongoing management of its core networking environment from Claranet. This encompasses:

- -MPLS Network A secure, high-performance network for connecting multiple sites.
- -Data Centre Breakout Connectivity solutions for data centre operations.
- -Cloud Connect Services Direct, reliable connections to cloud platforms.
- -CoLocation Environments Hosting and managing critical infrastructure in secure facilities.
- -Network Equipment and Circuits Fully managed hardware and connectivity assets.

These services ensure Aster's network is robust, scalable, and aligned with its strategic growth and acquisition plans.

Claranet acts as Aster's network infrastructure partner, delivering:

- -Design and Implementation Creating tailored network architectures and deploying them.
- -Continuous Management Proactive monitoring, maintenance, and optimization of network performance.
- -Ownership and Control Managing all network equipment and circuits, which are Claranet-owned assets.
- -Strategic Insight Leveraging deep historical knowledge of Aster's environment and future roadmap to provide designs and budgetary proposals for upcoming growth.
- -Risk Mitigation Ensuring operational continuity and minimizing disruption by maintaining existing infrastructure.

Claranet's long-standing involvement gives it unique expertise and readiness to support Aster's current and future network needs.

### **Contract 1. Office Network Connections Renewal**

# **Supplier**

• Claranet Limited

#### **Contract value**

• £972,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

#### Award decision date

8 December 2025

# Standstill period

• End: 18 December 2025

• 7 working days

## Earliest date the contract will be signed

22 December 2025

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 23 December 2025 to 21 December 2028
- Possible extension to 20 December 2030
- 4 years, 11 months, 29 days

Description of possible extension:

1+1

### Main procurement category

Services

### **CPV** classifications

- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 51000000 Installation services (except software)

# **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

# **Supplier**

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1. Office Network Connections Renewal

# **Contracting authority**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government