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## **Provision of Hive Side Training**

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY

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## **Scope**

## **Reference**

C30426

## **Description**

Provision of Hive Side Training as part of the Healthy Bees Plan.

Through the provision of hive side training the awarded contractor will provide training to intermediate hobbyist beekeepers to teach beekeepers how to recognise pests and diseases and ensure good husbandry practices.

The requirement is separated into three lots covering three regions:

Lot 1: North of England and Midlands.

Lot 2: South of England.

Lot 3 Wales

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## **Lot 1. Lot 1: North of England and Midlands**

### **Description**

Provision of hive side training in the North of England and Midlands.

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## **Lot 2. Lot 2: South of England.**

### **Description**

Provision of hive side training in the South of England.

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## **Lot 3. Lot 3 Wales**

### **Description**

Provision of hive side training in Wales

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## **Contract 1. Provision of Hive Side Training**

## **Lots**

Lot 1. Lot 1: North of England and Midlands

Lot 2. Lot 2: South of England.

Lot 3. Lot 3 Wales

## **Supplier**

- Bee Farmers Association Ltd

## **Contract value**

- £406,000 excluding VAT
- £4,872,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Award decision date**

19 December 2025

## **Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers**

19 December 2025

## **Standstill period**

- End: 5 January 2026
- 8 working days

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

6 January 2026

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 6 January 2026 to 30 November 2026
- Possible extension to 30 November 2030
- 4 years, 10 months, 26 days

Description of possible extension:

Subject to success in year 1 and ongoing budget approval, the contract may be extended in one year increments.

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 80531200 - Technical training services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services
- 80540000 - Environmental training services
- 77100000 - Agricultural services
- 77000000 - Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77110000 - Services incidental to agricultural production

- 80510000 - Specialist training services
- 16640000 - Bee-keeping machinery
- 80531000 - Industrial and technical training services

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom

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## **Information about tenders**

### **Lot 1. Lot 1: North of England and Midlands**

- 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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### **Lot 2. Lot 2: South of England.**

- 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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### **Lot 3. Lot 3 Wales**

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

### **This procurement was reserved for**

Supported employment providers

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## **Submission**

### **Submission type**

Tenders

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

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## Supplier

### Bee Farmers Association Ltd

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNHH-5323-ZJYG

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United Kingdom

Email: [admin@beefarmers.co.uk](mailto:admin@beefarmers.co.uk)

Region: UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC

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

### **ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY**

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government