

# EXPRESSION OF INTEREST / REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE

## – KGH – NEC Supervisor Services for Rockingham Wing Extension Build –

**Project Name:** New Engineering Contract (NEC) Supervisor for Rockingham Wing Extension build (the “Project”)

**Project Reference Number:** C420996

**Contracting Authority Contact Details:** Nick Mgijima [nick.mgijima@nhs.net](mailto:nick.mgijima@nhs.net) (the “Contracting Authority”)

**Contracting Authority Name:** Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (KGH)

**Contracting Authority Address:** Procurement Department, Rothwell Road, Kettering, Northants, NN16 8UZ

**Value Band:** Rockingham Wing Extension construction value £29m

**Region:** East Midlands

**Procurement Route:** Competitive Flexible Procedure under the Procurement Act 2023 and NHS Terms and Conditions

**Request to Participate Deadline:** Response required by midday on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2026, sent to [nick.mgijima@nhs.net](mailto:nick.mgijima@nhs.net)

### Contracting Authority Background Information

Kettering General Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (KGH) is one of two acute District General Hospitals serving Northamptonshire and the neighbouring communities, including parts of Leicestershire, Cambridgeshire, and Bedfordshire. The hospital is a medium-sized hospital situated towards the edge of Kettering town, and draws its catchment primarily from North Northamptonshire and the Harborough District of South-East Leicestershire.

KGH became a Foundation Trust in 2008 and since then, has continued to develop as an acute provider of care to a catchment of approximately 350,000. Services are delivered from the main hospital site in Kettering, and satellite outpatient facilities at Nene Park in Irthlingborough, Corby Health Complex, and Isebrook Hospital in Wellingborough. KGH has approximately 600 inpatient beds, and employs over 4,000 staff, which makes the Trust one of the largest employers in Northamptonshire.



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Services are funded primarily through contracts with Northamptonshire Integrated Care Board, NHS England (NHSE) Specialised Commissioners and other bodies.

KGH is part of a Group structure, University Hospitals of Northamptonshire, with Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust. The Board is the accountable body for both Trusts and there is a single CEO/Accountable Officer across the two organisations.

We are embarking on an ambitious journey to transform our facilities and services at Kettering General Hospital, ensuring we meet the growing healthcare needs of Northamptonshire for generations to come. Due to the delays with the New Hospital Programme, we have paused some of our enabling works, however we are progressing with two major developments on site: Energy Centre and High Voltage Infrastructure Project and Rockingham Wing Extension build.

### **Rockingham Wing Extension Project Background Information**

As part of the Trust's ongoing RAAC remediation and eradication programme, funding has been secured from NHSE to construct an extension to the current Rockingham Wing.

The Rockingham Wing was found to have RAAC in the roof in December 2023 and subsequently decanted services from the first floor of the building, undertook emergency propping to ensure the safety of the structure, and completed failsafe works on part of the first floor to enable the temporary return of some services to this area. The two-storey extension will provide HTM/HBN-compliant accommodation and comprise:

- Ground floor: Bereavement suite and Neonatal Unit
- First Floor: 32-bed maternity ward.

The unit will be physically linked to the main Rockingham Wing at both ground and first floor, but have its own dedicated patient lifts and include basement and roof mounted plant accommodation. The project completion date is December 2027/ early 2028.

We have recently secured funding from NHSE to progress with early and enabling works ahead of SFBC submission and are planning to start these in January 2026.

### **Background to the Requirement**

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to appoint an independent NEC Supervisor consultant service, that will act in accordance with NEC4 ECC, providing independent inspection, monitoring, and certification of the works to ensure compliance with:



- The Works Information
- Contract requirements
- Statutory approvals
- Relevant healthcare technical standards (HTMs/ HBNs) agreed with MMC and BREEAM targets, infection control and fire safety regulations, etc.

### **Contracting Authority Objective**

The Contracting Authority is seeking to procure MEP and Building Structure/Fabric NEC supervisor services for the Rockingham Wing Extension to:

- Ensure that the contractor satisfies the quality standards set in the works information
- Have a regular presence on site, providing independent scrutiny of the works, ensuring the correct materials are used and to the correct standards.
- Have foresight, to enable identification of issues/potential issues and prevent them from occurring.
- Have the authority to issue instructions to search for defects and be specifically responsible for issuing Defects Certificates.
- Witness any testing
- Attend progress meetings
- Issue communications as per the requirements of the contract.
- Have the right attitude which should be team-spirited, proactive and systematic.

### **Scope / Specification**

#### 1. Pre-Construction Phase

- Review works information, scope, drawings, specifications, and quality requirements
- Input to constructability and sequencing reviews
- Review contractor proposals for working in close proximity to a live maternity / neonatal environment
- Advise on access, phasing, infection prevention, and clinical risk controls
- Attend design and pre-start meetings as required

#### 2. Construction Phase

- Carry out inspections and monitoring of the Works in accordance with NEC4
- Check compliance with Works Information, specifications, and approved details



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- Undertake random checks on Labour Returns (1 per month)
- Attend site regularly and record inspections, non-conformances, and observations
- Issue Defects, Non-Conformance Reports, and Acceptance Certificates as required
- Witness testing, commissioning, and validation activities (including M&E and medical gases where applicable). Retain and file electronic copies of all test certificates
- Review Contractor quality records, test results, and as-built information
- Jointly with project managers coordinate with clinical teams to minimise disruption to maternity and neonatal services
- Support the Project Manager with early identification of quality or compliance risks

### 3. Completion and Handover

- Inspect works at Completion and issue Completion Certificates
- Prepare and maintain Defects Lists
- Monitor rectification of defects during the Defects Period
- Attend commissioning, handover, and readiness-for-service activities
- Support clinical handover, including phased or partial occupation if required
- Verify completion of statutory approvals and certifications
- Attend post completion inspections and meeting during Year 1 of the Soft Landings process

### 4. Defects Period

- Undertake inspections during the Defects Period
- Confirm correction of notified defects
- Support issue of Defects Certificate

### 5. A weekly report shall be submitted directly to the Client and copied to the Project Manager, which shall provide the following information:

- A record of progress on a trade by trade basis.
- A record of time lost due to inclement weather and the trades affected by this.
- A record of any delays to any part of the works and the reasons for this.
- A record of drawings received.



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- A record of critical deliveries to site.
- A record of any significant events including any serious deficiencies in health or safety performance observed while on site.
- A short commentary on site Health & Safety.
- Provide Photographic evidence of installations and/or non-compliant works as required.
- Any other information to which the Supervisor and PM should be made aware of.

### **Timeframes & Procurement Process**

This procurement will follow a Competitive Flexible Procedure under the Procurement Act 2023, consisting of two main stages:

#### **\*\*1. Expression of Interest:\*\***

Initially, an Expression of Interest will be published, inviting suppliers to indicate their interest in bidding for the project. Those who express interest before the deadline will be invited to a Supplier Open Day, which is anticipated to be held on February 12, 2026.

#### **\*\*2. Capability Assessment Stage:\*\***

During this stage, suppliers will be required to respond to a set of brief written questions designed to assess their experience, competence, and capability. The responses will be evaluated by the Contracting Authority to create a shortlist of suppliers who will advance to the next stage, the Invitation to Tender (ITT).

#### **\*\*3. ITT Stage:\*\***

Shortlisted tenderers will be invited to respond to technical questions as well as questions related to Social Value. They will also need to provide a price proposal. Additionally, tenderers will be required to attend a presentation to support their bid.

Dates and times will be confirmed via the Delta e-sourcing portal. We anticipate that this will take place between February 2, 2026, and April 31, 2026. (\*Please note that these dates are subject to minor changes depending on the level of response to the tender. Tenderers will be notified of any updates.)

The Contracting Authority has provided an indicative timeline below – please note this timeline is subject to change. Any changes to timescales for the procurement phases of the Project will be notified to all Suppliers who have opted-in to this opportunity.



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Event	Date
Expression of Interest Issued	02 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026
Expression of Interest Response Deadline	09 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Supplier Open Day	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Capability Assessment Issued	13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Deadline for the receipt of clarification questions	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Capability Assessment Response Deadline	27 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
ITT issued to shortlisted - 6 bidders	Mid of March 2026
Deadline for receipt of Tenders	Mid of April 2026
Invitation to present issued to shortlisted bidders (if required)	tbc
Onsite/video conference presentations for shortlisted bidders (if required)	tbc
Notification of contract award decision	tbc
Voluntary 8 Day Stand Still – if required	tbc
Contract award	tbc
Contract work starts	Tbc (Indicative 01 June 2026)

### **Name of tendering portal to be used:**

The e-tendering portal to be used by the Authority for the procurement is the ATAMIS Sourcing Portal at <http://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> ("e-Sourcing Portal").



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**Supplier Response: Request to Participate**

Please could you confirm whether you intend to “Opt in” or “Out” of this opportunity below and provide the requested details:

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<b>Supplier Name:</b>	<b>Supplier Contract Details</b>  Contact Person: Email Address: Contact Number:	<b>OPT IN</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		<b>OPT OUT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please note that, at the discretion of the Contracting Authority, if you “Opt Out” or do not respond by the required deadline, you will not be contacted further regarding this opportunity.

Response required by **12:00 Noon** on **Monday, 09<sup>th</sup> February 2026**, sent to [nick.mgijima@nhs.net](mailto:nick.mgijima@nhs.net)



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