

United Kingdom-Antrim: Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council

Postal address: Antrim Civic Centre 50 Stiles Way

Town: Antrim

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT41 2UB

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk/>Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/procurement>**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Ards and North Down Borough Council

Postal address: Town Hall, The Castle

Town: Bangor

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT20 4BT

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://www.ardsandnorthdown.gov.uk/>Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Armagh City Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council

Postal address: Craigavon Civic and Conference Centre PO Box 66 Lakeview Road

Town: Craigavon

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT64 1AL

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://www.armaghbanbridgecraigavon.gov.uk/>Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Belfast City Council

Postal address: Belfast City hall

Town: Belfast
NUTS code: UK United Kingdom
Postal code: BT1 5GS
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk
Internet address(es):
Main address: <https://www.belfastcity.gov.uk/home>
Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council
Postal address: Civic Headquarters Cloonavin 66 Portstewart Road
Town: Coleraine
NUTS code: UK United Kingdom
Postal code: BT52 1EY
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk
Internet address(es):
Main address: <https://www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/>
Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Derry City and Strabane District Council
Postal address: Council Offices, 98 Strand Road
Town: Derry
NUTS code: UK United Kingdom
Postal code: BT48 7NN
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk
Internet address(es):
Main address: <https://www.derrystrabane.com/>
Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Fermanagh and Omagh District Council
Postal address: The Townhall 2 Townhall Street
Town: Enniskillen
NUTS code: UK United Kingdom
Postal code: BT74 7BA
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk
Internet address(es):
Main address: <https://www.fermanaghomagh.com/>
Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council
Postal address: Island Civic Centre Lagan Valley Island The Island
Town: Lisburn
NUTS code: UK United Kingdom
Postal code: BT27 4RL

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.lisburncastlereagh.gov.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Mid and East Antrim Borough Council

Postal address: The Braid 1-29 Bridge Street

Town: Ballymena

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT43 5EJ

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.midandeastantrim.gov.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Mid Ulster District Council

Postal address: Dungannon Office Circular Road

Town: Dungannon

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT71 6DT

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.midulstercouncil.org/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Newry Mourne and Down District Council

Postal address: District Council Offices O'Hagan House Monaghan Row

Town: Newry

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: BT35 8DJ

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.newrymournedown.org/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.2. Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4.

Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

DfE - Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council - Digital Transformation Programme
Reference number: ID 3635956

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Antrim and Newtownabbey Borough Council is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Contractor (or Consortium) to work with small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) across NI – that are deemed to have digital transformation potential and related ambitions across any sector. The Contractor will deliver all components of the Digital Transformation Programme and support participant companies to embark on a 'digital transformation journey' geared to the integration of digital technologies into key areas of their business, fundamentally changing how they operate and/or deliver value to customers. The programme will operate across all council areas in NI and is based on a collaboration of all 11 local authorities. The Programme support must have a highly interactive and practical focus blending expertise in innovation/ business strategy and the specialist technical knowledge aligned to the advanced digital technologies deemed most appropriate for each business.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 602 225,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services, 79410000 Business and management consultancy services, 79411100 Business development consultancy services , 80000000 Education and training services, 80500000 Training services, 80510000 Specialist training services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKN0 Northern Ireland

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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ambitions across any sector. The Contractor will deliver all components of the Digital Transformation Programme and support participant companies to embark on a 'digital transformation journey' geared to the integration of digital technologies into key areas of their business, fundamentally changing how they operate and/or deliver value to customers. The programme will operate across all council areas in NI and is based on a collaboration of all 11 local authorities. The Programme support must have a highly interactive and practical focus blending expertise in innovation/ business strategy and the specialist technical knowledge aligned to the advanced digital technologies deemed most appropriate for each business.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Delivery Against Schedule / Weighting: 4.8

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Marketing / Weighting: 5.6

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Proposed Methodology – One-to-Many Events / Weighting: 12

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 Proposed Methodology – Core Participant Support / Weighting: 16

Quality criterion - Name: AC5 Account Manager Experience / Weighting: 11.2

Quality criterion - Name: AC6 Proposed Delivery Team Experience / Weighting: 11.2

Quality criterion - Name: AC7 Proposed Technical Expertise / Weighting: 11.2

Quality criterion - Name: AC8 Contract and Account Management / Weighting: 8

Cost criterion - Name: AC9 Total Contract Price / Weighting: 20

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 1 602 225,00 GBP

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 17

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

After the initial contract period, there is one option to extend by one year until 31 March 2024.

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project: European Regional Development Fund - part funded by the EU Investment for Growth and Jobs Programme 2014-2020 (ERDF EUIGJ)

II.2.14. Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.2. Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2. Contract performance conditions

The Client will monitor the Contractor's performance as detailed in the Specification...

Schedule and in the Commercial Conditions of Contract Schedule 3 Contract Management /Monitoring Schedule.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 28/10/2021 Local time: 15:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 26/01/2022

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 28/10/2021 Local time: 15:30

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

Contract Monitoring. The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored in line with PGN 01/12. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the certificate.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation

procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

Town: Belfast

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

24/09/2021