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**United Kingdom-Bedford: Construction work for highways, roads  
2019/S 025-054362**

**Contract notice**

**Works**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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NUTS code: UK

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**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://highways.bravosolutions.co.uk>  
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address  
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://highways.bravosolutions.co.uk>  
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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal agency/office

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title:**

Construction Works Framework (East Region)

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

45233100

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Works

**II.1.4) Short description:**

Highways England (HE) has a requirement to deliver construction works to maintain, repair and renew the Strategic Road Network (SRN) within HE East Region. Construction Works Framework (CWF) will be made

up of a number of different contractors from different specialist areas who will work together to deliver network improvement and maintenance schemes within the East Region. The framework will cover but is not limited to: road lighting and electrical, general civils, technology, landscaping and ecology, road marking and studs, road restraint systems and fencing, drainage and geotechnical, temporary traffic management, structures and structural services, and expansion joints; and any other similar duties. Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure. The length of the contract is 54 months which includes a 6-month mobilisation period.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 340 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots: 3

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Temporary Traffic Management

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 11"

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

34923000  
34928100  
34928110  
34928300  
34970000  
34972000  
45213310  
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45316213  
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50232200  
63712000  
63712200  
63712700  
63712710

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71322500

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Temporary traffic management.

The lot will cover the supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- design installation, maintenance and removal of temporary traffic management,
- installation, maintenance and removal of temporary safety barrier systems,
- installation, maintenance and removal of temporary speed enforcement systems,
- installation, maintenance and removal of temporary CCTV systems,
- management of breakdown recovery services,
- installation, maintenance and removal of temporary road markings and road studs,
- removal of existing road markings and road studs,
- principal contractor,
- deliver incident response (rapid response).

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Road Restraint Systems and Fencing

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 9\*

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

34928100

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Road restraint and fencing.

The lot covers the following activities (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- installation and removal of road restraint systems (vehicle and pedestrian),
- installation and removal of highway fencing and environmental barrier,
- temporary works,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities,
- deliver incident response (rapid response),
- push tests of existing and new road restraint systems.

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80  
Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20  
Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54  
This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Road Markings and Road Studs  
Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 8

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

34922100  
45213310  
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45233251  
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71322000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Road markings and road studs.  
The lot covers supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):  
— mobilisation,

- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- highway road markings,
- road studs,
- installation and removal of temporary road markings and road studs,
- anti-skid systems,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities,
- deliver incident response (rapid response).

The scope may also include rapid response.

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Road Lighting and Electrical

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 4"

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

31000000

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50232110  
71322000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The lot covers the supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- road lighting,
- illuminated signs and other highway electrical equipment,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities,
- deliver incident response (rapid response).

The scope may also include carrying out the duties of the M and R contract and emergency response. East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Technology

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 6\*

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

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34923000

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The lot covers the supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):

— mobilisation,

— early contractor involvement,

- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- construction of highway technology works including the supply and installation of specialist technology equipment,
- installation, removal and commissioning of traffic signal equipment, safety cameras and CCTV equipment,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities,
- deliver incident response (rapid response).

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

General Civils, Drainage and Geotechnical

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 5"

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

34928100

34928110

34928300

34992200

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71311000  
71311100  
71322000  
71337000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**  
NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

General civils, drainage and geotechnical.

The lot covers the supply of materials, plant and labour to carry out construction and removal activities for the following (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,

- ducting,
  - kerbing,
  - footways,
  - modular paving,
  - brick/block/stonework,
  - foundations and piling,
  - retaining walls,
  - demolition,
  - earthworks,
  - temporary works,
  - non-illuminated traffic signs and posts,
  - site clearance and landscaping,
  - asbestos removal (planned),
  - earthwork stabilisation,
  - counterfort drains and soil nailing,
  - ground anchors,
  - slope netting (rock and soil),
  - rock slope works including dowels, bolts, scaling, buttressing, dentition, shotcrete,
  - “innovative” stabilisation techniques, such as electrokinetic osmosis, fibre reinforced soil, soil mixing and the use of geosynthetics to reinforce soil,
  - principal contractor,
  - welfare facilities,
  - deliver incident response (rapid response) traffic signs and posts,
  - construction and removal of drainage and manhole/catch pits,
  - renewal or recycling of filter drain material,
  - renewal and repair of pipes and pipe lining,
  - renewal of ditches, swales, ponds and any other vegetative treatment systems,
  - control and disposal of contaminated material,
  - CCTV surveys,
  - crack sealing,
  - pavement joint repair,
  - jetting and mechanical clearance of drains and soakaways,
  - installation, removal and renewal of flow control equipment in storm-flow or attenuation systems, and
  - installation, removal and renewal of any other drainage ancillary items including petrol interceptors.
- The scope may also include carrying out the duties of the M and R contract and emergency response. East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.
- Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

#### II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

#### II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

**II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: no

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**II.2.13) Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

**II.2.14) Additional information**

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title:**

Landscape and Ecology

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 7\*

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

39293300

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77211500

77211600

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77314100

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**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement:**

Landscape and Ecology.

The lot covers supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,
- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- weed control,
- wildlife control,
- ground preparation,
- site clearance,
- seeding,
- turfing,
- planting,
- watering,
- tree and shrub maintenance,
- management of waterbodies and any other special ecological measures,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities.

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Structures, Structural Services and Expansion Joints

Lot No: "Please note, within Asset Delivery the above is referred to as Lot 13"

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

44000000  
44112000  
44210000  
44212120  
44212300  
44212317  
44212320  
44212380  
45213310  
45223000  
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71631400  
90912000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Structures, structural services and expansion joints.

The lot covers the supply of materials, plant and labour for the following (but not limited to):

- mobilisation,
- early contractor involvement,

- management network occupancy,
- community,
- contingency,
- application of painting systems including specialist corrosion protection systems,
- installation, maintenance and removal of any temporary works required to ensure a safe method of working in relation to the service provided,
- installation of, and repair works to, highway structures waterproofing systems including testing of existing waterproofing systems,
- repair of concrete on highway structures including structural concrete works,
- bridge repair and strengthening works (structural and non-structural),
- installation and commissioning of cathodic protection systems,
- installation and commissioning of remote monitoring systems,
- installation and repair of bridge parapets,
- installation and repair of bridge bearings,
- installation of, and repair works to, highway structures expansions joints,
- principal contractor,
- welfare facilities,
- deliver incident response (rapid response).

East Area location to include the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Norfolk, Suffolk.

Highways England may also use this framework to deliver works in any other HE operational area as a contingent measure.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 80:20

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 54

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

**III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

As detailed in the procurement documents.

Constructionline (<https://constructionline.co.uk/>) is the UK Government's national pre-qualification register for construction contractors and consultants.

Applicants may demonstrate their suitability for a number of aspects in the selection process through providing their registration number for their valid and up-to-date Constructionline account. Contractors or Incorporated joint ventures submitting an application should provide their Constructionline registration number. For unincorporated joint ventures submitting an application each member of the group should provide their individual Constructionline registration number. Constructionline members are requested to ensure their profile is valid and up to date for the purposes of this tendering process. Where applicants do not have a Constructionline account, or a valid and up to date Constructionline account, they will have the opportunity to demonstrate their suitability through other means, in accordance with the procurement documents.

**III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts**

**III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

**III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:**

A parent company guarantee or equivalent form of guarantee may be required at any time during the term of the contract.

A parent company guarantee or equivalent form of guarantee will be required where the financial standing of the applicant does not meet the required level as stated in the procurement documents.

Suppliers can only bid for, or be awarded, a maximum of 3 lots.

Partners within a JV or consortium are not permitted to:

(a) be members of more than 1 consortium/JV,

(b) apply as a sole applicant in the same lot as a consortium/JV of which they are a member,

(c) apply as a sole applicant in the same lot as another partner in a consortium/JV of which they are a member,

(d) apply for more than 3 lots either in their own right or as part of the consortium/JV.

Further information will be set out in the tender documents. Contract dates are indicative and subject to change.

**III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

**Section IV: Procedure**

**IV.1) Description**

**IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 14

**IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

**IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction**

**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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2018/S 227-518565](#)

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

Date: 04/03/2019

Local time: 14:00

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

Date: 04/03/2019

**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**

Duration in months: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

**Section VI: Complementary information**

**VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

**VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

**VI.3) Additional information:**

The Contracting Authority will use an eTendering system in this procurement exercise and reserves the right to use a reverse auction. How to take part in this tender:

- 1) Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once) — visit <https://highways.bravosolution.co.uk> and click the link to register — accept the terms and conditions and click “continue” — enter your business and user details — note the username you chose and click “Save” when complete — you will shortly receive an email with your unique password;
- 2) Express an Interest in the tender — login to the portal — click the “PQQs/ITTs Open to All Suppliers” link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier). Click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content. Click the “Express Interest” button at the top of this page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your “My PQQs/My ITT’s page”. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). You can access any attachments by clicking the “Buyer Attachments” in the “PQQ/ITT Details box”;
- 3) Responding to the tender — click “My Response” under “PQQ/ITT Details”, you can “Create Response” or “Decline to Respond” (please give a reason if declining). You can use the “Messages” function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ITT. There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available). Submit your reply using the “Submit Response” button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

Tender documentation for contracts over 10 000 GBP will be published on a Powered by BravoSolution eSourcing Technology single website, made available to the public. You should also be aware that if your bid is successful the resulting contract will be published. In some circumstances, limited redactions will be made to tender documentation and/or contracts before they are published in order to comply with existing law, to protect commercial interests and for the protection of national security. This procurement falls within the scope of HM Revenue and Customs' Construction Industry Scheme. Successful Contractors may be required to fulfil

the duties of the Principal Contractor under the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015. The Contract Data will confirm the details of the relevant contract dates and durations. It is mandatory for new Central Government contracts, which feature characteristics involving the handling of personal data and ICT systems designed to store or process data at the official level of the Government Security Classifications scheme (link below), to comply with Cyber Essentials. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

All potential tenderers for Central Government contracts, featuring the above characteristics, should be aware of the requirements for the appropriate level of certification. Further information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cyber-essentials-scheme-overview>

The tenderer with the most economically advantageous tender will be required to accept the Highways England Fair Payment Charter as a condition of acceptance of their tender. In accordance with clauses 53 and 54 of the contract Highways England intends to work with the winning bidder to explore opportunities for further efficiencies and improvements; discussions will take place during the mobilisation period. Highways England reserve the right to invite or not invite variant bids at their sole discretion. Further information will be set out in the tender documents. Contract dates stated are indicative, and may be subject to change.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

See details at VI.4.3

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VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Highways England will incorporate a minimum 10 day standstill period at the point information on award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Appeals should be lodged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2006 No. 5) as amended.

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

31/01/2019