

**Procurement Title**

Provision of Waste Wood Collection, Transportation and Treatment Services.

**Procurement Option**

Above Threshold Open Tender.

**New or Existing Provision**

Existing provision. Three agreements in place with end date of 31 March 2024.

**Estimated Contract Value and Funding Arrangements**

The estimated total value of the three individual agreements is £750,000 per annum, £3,000,000 over the four year term.

Total values are estimated to be:

- Lot 1 South Lancashire – Estimated total value: £245,000 per annum (£980,000).
- Lot 2 North Lancashire – Estimated total value: £205,000 per annum (£820,000).
- Lot 3 East Lancashire – Estimated total value: £300,00 per annum (£1,200,000).

This will be funded, as currently, from the Waste Management Group revenue budget.

**Contract Duration**

4 year term (1 April 2024 – 31 March 2028)

**Lotting**

The Services are being procured on the basis of three lots, covering Lancashire districts as follows:

Lot 1 – South Lancashire (covering Preston, West Lancashire, South Ribble, Chorley)

Lot 2 – North Lancashire (covering Lancaster, Fylde, Wyre)

Lot 3 – East Lancashire (covering Pendle, Burnley, Ribble Valley, Hyndburn, Rossendale)

**Evaluation**

Quality Criteria (Social Value) 10%	Financial Criteria 90%
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The Quality Criteria will include mandatory social value requirements, plus pass/fail criteria relating to provider facility details. The Financial Criteria will be evaluated on the basis of gate fee plus transport costs. Tenderers will be requested to bid in line with a robust specification and contractual terms and conditions and therefore it was agreed that additional quality criteria (over and above social value) are not required, resulting in a higher financial weighting being applied.

## **Contract Detail**

Lancashire County Council is the waste disposal authority for the administrative county of Lancashire.

The council operates fifteen (15) Household Waste Recycling Centres at which waste wood is deposited by householders.

The waste wood deposited at the Household Waste Recycling Centres generally falls under Grade C (municipal waste wood – treated and non-hazardous) of the Wood Recyclers Association grading system and this limits the opportunity for recycling and recovery of this waste to two main routes – panel board manufacture and use as a biomass fuel for specific biomass installations (IED Chapter IV compliant installations).

The services required include the collection and transportation of waste wood from the Household Waste Recycling Centres in designated containers to the provider's appropriately permitted and licensed facility. The provider will receipt, weigh and treat the waste wood prior to recycling/recovery. Transportation of the waste wood may be either directly delivered into the facility itself, or alternatively delivered into a provider transfer station, in which case tenderers will be responsible for the transportation to and treatment of the waste wood at an appropriately permitted and licenced treatment facility.

This procurement is a renewal project for three existing agreements that are due to expire 31 March 2024.

**Procurement Title**

Provision of Bikeability Training in Lancashire

**Procurement Option**

Open Tender Procedure (Light touch/Schedule 3 Services)

**New or Existing Provision**

Existing – contract end date 31 March 2024

**Estimated Contract Value and Funding Arrangements**

The total framework agreement value to be procured is estimated between £4million and £8million. The actual value will be dependent on funding received each financial year. Forecast annual value is anticipated to be between £1million and £2million.

The value has been calculated based on the amount of funding received historically plus an anticipated increase in cycle training and additional funding allocation for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and Holiday Activities and Food programme.

Funding via Department for Transport / Active Travel England, grant for Bikeability allocated via The Bikeability Trust.

**Contract Duration**

Initial period of 12 months with an option to extend the framework agreement beyond the initial term to a maximum of a further 36 months, in tranches of 12 months. This term has been selected to support the way the funding is allocated; on a 12-month basis running from 1 April to 31 March.

Contracts awarded under the framework will have a maximum duration of 12 months and no option to extend. No contract awarded under the framework will be permitted to extend beyond the end date of the framework agreement. For each funding term, if the framework agreement is extended for the permitted 12 months, call off contracts will be established for the same 12 month period.

**Lotting**

Delivery of the Bikeability training in Lancashire has been separated into 12 lots based on the 12 districts within Lancashire. This is to encourage applications from small and medium enterprises.

Lot 1: West Lancashire

Lot 2: Burnley

Lot 3: Chorley

Lot 4: Fylde

Lot 5: Hyndburn

Lot 6: Pendle

Lot 7: Preston

Lot 8: Ribble Valley

Lot 9: Rossendale

Lot 10: South Ribble

Lot 11: Wyre

Lot 12: Lancaster

## Evaluation

<b>Quality Criteria 100%</b>
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<b>Financial Criteria 0%</b>
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The fees that the training providers will charge is determined by the council, therefore evaluation will be based 100% on quality as price is not open to competition. Social Value will be evaluated with a question weighted at 10% focusing on the Social Value objective of creating employment opportunities for Lancashire people in the area where the service is delivered and creating opportunities for staff to develop professionally.

## Contract Detail

Bikeability is the Department for Transport's flagship national cycling training programme for school children in England. Bikeability superseded Cycling Proficiency courses which ceased in 2006. Bikeability cycle training is a practical training programme which provides school children with a life skill and enables them to cycle confidently and competently. Bikeability funding is distributed annually to Local Highway Authorities which the council is classified as. Grant recipients can run Bikeability training or can appoint a training provider. The aim of this procurement is to establish a multi-provider framework agreement for the provision of Bikeability Cycle training in Lancashire. A multi-provider framework has been determined to be the optimal approach to encourage applications from small and medium sizes Enterprises whilst balancing the need to ensure sufficient capacity exists to deliver the training across the county's schools.

It is anticipated that on an annual basis Bikeability training will be available to all primary schools in Lancashire, within the scope of the grant received. Bikeability training is made up of various levels: Core delivery Level 1, Level 2, Level 1/2 and Level 3 and Plus delivery which is Balance, Learn to Ride, Fix and Family modules. It is anticipated that 80% of delivery via the proposed framework will be directed towards Level 2 which is aimed at Year 6 pupils (age10/11).

A multi-provider framework is proposed, with each 12-month period running in parallel with the award of funding from Department of Transport/Active Travel England. Funding is announced in January/February of each year, with the term of the proposed framework and call offs under it, running from 1 April – 31 March. It is proposed that for each Lot, 3 suppliers will be appointed, and the suppliers will be ranked according to the scores received during the tender evaluation process. For each 12-month term of the contract (subject to the council being successful in their funding application) the highest ranked supplier will be offered the training provision at all the schools within that lot. If the highest ranked supplier does not have sufficient capacity, then the outstanding capacity will be offered to the second ranked supplier and so on. Contracts awarded under the framework will have a maximum total duration of 12 months. New call off contracts will be established for each 12 month funding period. No contract awarded from the framework will be permitted to extend beyond 31 March 2028.

The framework agreement will go live on 1 April 2024.

**Procurement Title**

Pseudo dynamic purchasing system (PDPS) for the provision of Tier 4 Substance Misuse Services

**Procurement Option**

The proposal is for Lancashire County Council to procure a PDPS which establishes a list of approved substance misuse providers based on robust selection criteria.

**New or Existing Provision**

Existing – the current framework agreement will expire on 31 January 2024. Existing service users will continue to receive services on the current call-off contract's terms and conditions, beyond the term framework agreement until the service for the individual concerned conclude.

New services will be called off under the new PDPS.

The PDPS is expected to commence on 1 February 2024

**Estimated Annual Contract Value and Funding Arrangements**

Total Estimated spend for Year 1 (2024/25) for the Service: up to £2,084,714.

Made up of into: -

- Residential detoxification: up to £912,404.
- Residential and day rehabilitation services: up to £1,172,310.

The Provider may receive, at the sole discretion of the council, an annual uplift to the price in line with the percentage inflationary rate applied to the funding for the Services under the Public Health Grant, excluding any increases in the Public Health Grant for specific purposes and/or services not included in the Contract.

The estimated uplift of Public Health Grant for Year 1 of the PDPS is 1.32%. Assuming the future uplift to the Public Health Grant is 2% per annum after Year 1, this will result in a total estimated PDPS value over 10 years of £22,827,037.

All costs are funded from the Public Health Grant.

The contract will operate with open book arrangements in place to allow for transparent financial scrutiny and performance monitoring.

Please note figures provided are projected for 2024/25 onwards to provide an estimate of potential contract values for this Service.

**Blackpool Council Funding:**

Lancashire County Council will lead the procurement and intends to allow Blackpool Council to access the PDPS in order to call off services from it.

The estimated value of call-offs to be made by Blackpool Council over the 10 year term of the PDPS is up to £3,219,000.

**Contract Duration**

The PDPS will be let for 10 years. Call-off contracts will vary in length depending on the nature of the service required by individual service users.

**Lotting**

The PDPS will establish two categories: (1) detox services and (2) rehabilitation services.

**Evaluation**

Applicants will be required to confirm which of the categories they are applying for within their application.

Selection criteria for both categories will focus upon Care Quality Commission registration & rating, technical and professional ability, economic and financial standing.

Service Contracts will be awarded following an assessment of service delivery proposals based on the requirements of the specification; this will include service specific requirements and an assessment of price. The PDPS will allow for a range of call off methods including mini competition and direct award.

**Contract Detail**

Re-commissioning substance (alcohol and drugs) misuse inpatient detoxification and rehabilitation services is required to simplify the existing contractual arrangements and enable existing providers to modify their offers to the county council and or allow new entrants to the market the ability to bid to offer services in Lancashire, thereby providing greater choice.

Inpatient detoxification and rehabilitation services are a standard part of the substance misuse treatment pathway nationally and are clearly referenced in national guidance (Drug misuse and dependence, UK guidelines on clinical management. Department of Health, 2017).

For the purpose of this procurement, the services are as follows:

- Specialist inpatient drug and alcohol assessment, stabilisation, and detoxification/assisted withdrawal services.
- A range of drug and alcohol rehabilitation programmes including both residential and non-residential to suit the complexity of different service user needs.

These interventions will form part of a broader recovery pathway for individuals with complex substance misuse problems, complimenting and supporting the existing community substance misuse services commissioned by the Council in Lancashire, providing specialist interventions to help stabilise, detox and support behaviour change, resilience and address trauma in individuals who struggle with community level support only.

The PDPS will be remain open for new entrants throughout its duration, with defined periods for the evaluation submissions allowing for greater competition and choice. The PDPS will also allow greater flexibility to obtain placements that most appropriately meet the needs of the service user.