

**Procurement Title**

A601(M) Highways Maintenance Project

**Procurement Option**

Open Procedure compliant with the Public Contract Regulations 2015

**New or Existing Provision**

New one-off works project

**Estimated Annual Contract Value and Funding Arrangements**

The estimated value of the Contract is £7,900,000 which will be funded from the Highways Capital budget using grant funding already received.

**Contract Duration**

The contract will be let for period of approximately 12 months, commencing circa February 2024.

**Lots**

As a single principal contractor is desirable, this project has not been lotted into smaller packages of works.

**Evaluation**

The Contract will be established by evaluating contractors against the following criteria:

**Stage 1: Selection Stage (Pass/Fail)**

Mandatory and discretionary grounds to ascertain suppliers' financial, technical capability and ability to demonstrate their experience in operating in compliance with industry standards. The Authority will use the PAS-91-2013-A1-2017 industry standard selection questionnaire. Each tenderer must pass this stage before proceeding to stage 2.

**Stage 2: Award Stage**

The tender bids will be evaluated on:

- 60% price
- 40% technical, quality, and social value

The highest scoring tenderer will be awarded the works contract.

**Contract Detail**

The A601(M) is a 1.3 mile (2.1km) Special Road in Lancashire, it is a key road from M6 junction 35, linking the M6 to the A6, providing access to the Truck Haven located on the junction of the A601(M) and A6, as well as Carnforth itself. The A601(M) also forms part of the official M6 motorway diversion route between junctions 35 and 36. The road has recently been de-specialised and is now classified as the A6070. These highways works are now part of the de-specialisation process and to maintain and improve the highway.

The works for this contract will comprise maintenance to four bridges, namely Higher North Road, Brewer's Barn East and West, and Elpha bridges. This essential maintenance will include new parapets concrete repairs, and work to the bearings. The maintenance to be carried out varies depending on the requirements of each bridge.

Other works will include, new signage, replacement of vehicle restraint barriers, removal of hard shoulders, improvements to drainage and repairs to the carriageway surfacing.

The works will be designed in-house by the Authority's Engineers who will supervise a single principal contractor to deliver this project. The NEC4 Engineering and Construction Contract , with amendments to suit this project will also be used.