

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Procurement Approval - Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Services Framework 2021-2025

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Description of current service/policy

The Geotechnical Framework engages specialist contractors to undertake site surveys and reports in order that design and management of the Council's capital and revenue construction projects are undertaken to safe and accepted standards. The framework supports the Council's economic and strategic programme's of work. The existing framework expires in June 2021.

Geographical impact: All
Hampshire

Description of proposed change

The new framework will follow much of the existing detail as this been a successful and efficient method of employing resources – the new framework will include the latest form of engineering contract and specifications.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers HCC Staff (and partners)

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried
out? No

The framework provides a supporting role to the Council's objectives but is a very technical and market engaged procurement. Regulation of the framework is through European Directives, Standing Orders and legislation which provide the basis upon which tenders and arrangements are governed.

Statutory considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Age: Neutral		
Disability: Neutral		
Sexual orientation: Neutral		
Race: Neutral		
Religion and belief: Neutral		
Gender reassignment: Neutral		
Gender: Neutral		
Marriage and civil partnership: Neutral		

Pregnancy and maternity: Neutral		
Other policy considerations	Impact	Mitigation
Poverty: Neutral		
Rurality: Neutral		

Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)

The arrangements for procurement and management of the Geotechnical Framework are neutral because the authority's level of service will be described within the contract documents and aligned to the Council's corporate policies. All suppliers to the framework will be required to comply with these as a minimum standard and arrangements for monitoring such policies will be undertaken throughout the duration of the framework.

Any other information