

**West Sussex Highways – Capital Works Framework**

West Sussex County Council (WSCC) will be running a procurement to replace the current Capital Works Framework which will expire in March 2024.

In preparation for the upcoming tenders the WS Highways team is looking to engage with a broad range of potential suppliers who may be interested in these opportunities, to help shape the tendering process.

The current Framework is made up of three “Lots” with 5 Contractors appointed to each lot.

Description of Lots	Tender Objectives	Contract Duration
<b>Lot 4: Carriageway &amp; Footways Resurfacing</b> <i>Provision of carriageway resurfacing works in end-to-end packages, including TM, lining and studs and option for planned carriageway patching</i>	Multiple supplier framework	4 year framework
<b>Lot 5: Carriageway Surface Dressing</b> <i>Provision of carriageway surface dressing works in end-to-end packages, including TM, lining and studs and option for planned carriageway patching</i> <b>Carriageway &amp; Footway Treatments</b> <i>Provision of carriageway treatments, high friction surfacing, joint treatment, micro surfacing, retexture and carriageway recycling service. Works in end-to-end packages, including TM, lining and studs</i>	Multiple supplier framework	4 year framework
<b>Lot 6: Infrastructure Improvements – Planned Works</b> <i>Provision of highway infrastructure improvements including, footway reconstruction, drainage, groundworks. Structures, Bridges and VRS improvements and upgrades</i>	Multiple supplier framework	4 year framework

Work packages are awarded under this Framework through mini competitive tenders open to the appointed contractors. Over the past 3 years the contractors have delivered some £60m of Capital works with nine out of the 13 appointed contractors winning work.

Lot 4, as described above, has seen work commissioned for annual programmes and over the past 3 years 15 commissions have been let with 4 of 5 contractors winning work packages over that period.

Lot 5 has seen a similar share of work over the past 3 years with 10 commissions let and 4 of 5 contractors winning work packages over that period.

Works under Lot 6 vary in scale and value with work packages often made up of multiple projects. The summary below sets out the number of work packages let by value. These schemes and projects are let as required and mini tenders are spread across each financial year.

Year	Value Range £150k to £500k	Value Range £150k to £500k	Value Range £500k to £2m
2020/2021	1	3	2
2021/2022	2	5	10
2022/2023	0	4	3

West Sussex Highways are planning for the Framework tender period to begin in early October this year with tender submissions due in early December and will be looking for bidders to submit tenders for one or more Lots.

WSCC, working with CECA, will be hosting an industry event for businesses who may be interested in tendering for a position on this future framework with a focus to assist SME businesses who may not have previously tendered for public sector works directly with the opportunity to arrange 1-2-1 meetings with the WS Highways team.

To register interest please contact [Leone Donnelly](#) at CECA Southern.