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| **Contract Notice – Justification for Framework Agreement Duration** |

The Framework term has been determined by using information and lessons learnt from previous similar Framework Agreements. This includes information on activities and timescales required to mobilise and build the PSR Model and allow for successful implementation and transition of business to the PSR Framework Agreement. The Framework term will allow reasonable timescales for the successful Potential Provider to amortise the upfront capital investment that is required for this Framework Agreement, as set out in the paragraphs below:

**1 – 4 Months** - Once the Framework Agreement is awarded there is a requirement for a Service Mobilisation Period of four months during which the successful Potential Provider will build and test the PSR model including development, build and integration of all technology required to deliver the Services. During this period the successful Potential Provider will be required to make significant capital investment but will not receive any payment under this Framework Agreement until the Services are implemented and Contracting Authorities transitioned onto the Framework Agreement and sourcing Workers.

**5 – 18 Months** – Once the Service Mobilisation Period has been completed there will be a period of approximately 14 months for the successful Potential Provider to work with Contracting Authorities to implement the Services, including setup of technology, testing, integration, training and transition. The successful Potential Provider will not receive any payment for this activity until Contracting Authorities are fully transitioned onto the Framework Agreement and sourcing Workers.

**18 – 54 Months** – At the Service Commencement Date, the Services will now be fully transitioned into business as usual delivery and the successful Potential Provider will start to receive payment for delivery of the Services as set out under the terms of the Framework Agreement.

**55 – 72 Months** – During this period, the successful Potential Provider will receive payment for Services delivered, as set out under the terms of the Framework Agreement.

This staged approach will ensure that the Potential Provider is able to mobilise services and complete implementation and transition of Contracting Authorities to PSR in a structured manner and ensure best experience and Services for Contracting Authorities allow the successful Potential Provider to amortise its up-front capital investment whilst providing a best value proposition.

The successful Potential Provider shall ensure that any Call Off Contract entered into under this Framework Agreement shall expire no later than either the date specified in the Call Off Contract entered into under this Framework Agreement or 18 months after the expiry of this Framework Agreement, whichever is the earlier as per Clause 10.6 of this Framework Agreement.