

MOD Prior Information Notice

**Section 1: Contract Title:**

Title attributed to the Contract by the Contracting Authority

****Country

****Town

****Title of notice

Section (DIO only)



**Section 2: Contracting Authority**:  
Name of Institution

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MOD Organisation

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Integrated Project Team (IPT)  
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**Section 3: Contract:**

Estimated value of requirement:



Short description of requirement:

The Space Delivery Team, within Defence Equipment Support (DE&S), is preparing to commence a competitive procurement process to award a contract for the provision of Operations, Maintenance and Sustainment (OM&S) activities in support of the Solid State Phased Array Radar (SSPAR) at RAF Fylingdales, following the expiry of the current contract from 1st April 2026. It is anticipated that the new contract will have an initial duration of five years with the option to extend by a further two years (consisting of 2 x 1-year increments). Note that this procurement and any resulting contract are exempt from the DSPCR 2011, on national security grounds, and that the winning supplier will be exposed to aspects classified up to SECRET – UK/US Eyes Only.

RAF Fylingdales’ has two primary missions, which comprise of:

* Missile Warning &
* Support to Missile Defence.

These missions are delivered to a wide range of customers, including US Strategic Command (US STRATCOM); Integrated Tactical Warning and Attack Assessment (ITW/AA) forward users; Missile defence users in the US; UK Space Operations Centre (SpOC) etc.

RAF Fylingdales’ secondary mission is Space Surveillance, which contributes to the US Space Surveillance Network (SSN) and the UK SpOC.

Operations also provide data which contributes to the satellite warning service, over flight and re-entry roles the UK SpOC delivers to the MOD and UK forces deployed worldwide.

Therefore, Ballistic Missile Early Warning System (BMEWS) Site III at RAF Fylingdales has the unique function of providing missile warning, missile defence and mission data, and up to SECRET analysis simultaneously to the UK and US (with an aspiration to go ABOVE SECRET in the future).

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to provide an update to the anticipated competition timescales, following the publication of the below Request for Information (RFI), by Air/Space Command in May 2024.

[Request for Information (RFI) - Operate, Maintain & Sustain the Solid-State Phased Array Radar at RAF Fylingdales - Contracts Finder](https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/393656ff-bae5-4d17-a46e-9aa015db6c6c?origin=SearchResults&p=1)

Please note, that the below timescales are subject to change and have been provided in the interest of transparency and to better allow suppliers to make informed decisions in relation to this opportunity.

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| **Activity Description** | **Anticipated Date** |
| Contract Notice & Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) Released to Industry | Jan-25 |
| PQQ with Industry | Jan 25 - Feb 25 |
| PQQ Return Deadline | Feb-25 |
| Invitation to Tender (ITT Released) | Feb/Mar-25 |
| ITT with Industry (This period is to include opportunities for tenderers to visit the site if required) | Feb/Mar 25 – Apr/May 25 |
| Tender Return Deadline | Apr/May-25 |
| Contract Award Anticipated | Sept 25 - Oct 25 |
| Service Transition Between Providers | Jan 26 - Mar 26 |
| Service Transition Complete | Apr 26 |