

**Contracts Finder Advertisement**  
**Benefit Analysis of Future Digital Infrastructure Options**  
**CCCC17A07**

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 (Fields marked with a \* are mandatory)

1. Summary Information		
* Your reference:	CCCC17A07	
* Notice title:	Benefit Analysis of Future Digital Infrastructure Options	
* Closing Date:	03/04/17	
* Contract Start Date:	24/04/17	
* Contract End Date:	27/09/17	
* Is this noticed linked to another notice?		No
	<b>Reference of Linked Notice</b>	<b>Reason for Link</b>
* Lowest Actual Value (£)	£70,000.00	
Highest Value (£) (Optional)	£100,000.00	
* Is this suitable for SMEs?	Yes	
* Is this suitable for VCSEs?		No
* Contract Type	Service contract	
Procedure Type (optional)	Open procedure	
2. Location and Industry		
* Region <i>(There is an option to enter a postcode or select a region(s) where the Goods/Services will be delivered)</i>	Any Region	
* CPV Code	Not known	

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(There is a 'Quick search' function available if a CPV code is known, or search by category listed opposite)	Research Services
<b>3. Description</b>	
<p><b>* Description:</b> (Max 3000 characters. Your description will be truncated if longer than 300 characters in the search results)</p>	<p>The Authority is looking for accurate, independent and up to date information on the relative benefits of realistic, future digital infrastructure options. Due to the 30 year timeframe the Authority has been asked to consider and the need for up to date information in such a fast moving environment, the work is necessary for the Authority's ability to make objective and evidence based policy recommendations.</p> <p>The Authority would like a benefit analysis which compares the relative benefits of the selected realistic, future digital infrastructure options. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fibre to the home/premise (FTTH/P);</li> <li>• G.fast (and subsequent copper based technological advancements);</li> <li>• DOCSIS 3.1 (and subsequent cable based technological advancements);</li> <li>• Fixed to the locale wireless.</li> </ul>
<b>4. Contact Details</b>	
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<b>* Country</b>	England
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<b>Website (Optional)</b>	<a href="http://www.gov.uk/ccs">www.gov.uk/ccs</a>

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5. Attachments	
<b>Supporting Documents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invitation to Tender</li> <li>2. Appendix A – Terms of Participation</li> <li>3. Appendix B – Statement of Requirements</li> <li>4. Appendix C – Terms and Conditions</li> <li>5. Appendix D – Response Guidance</li> <li>6. Appendix E – Price Schedule</li> <li>7. Appendix F – Supplier Guidance</li> </ol>
<b>Additional Text Field</b>	<p><b>How to apply Instructions to Potential Providers:</b></p> <p>Potential Providers must first be registered on the Crown Commercial Service e-Sourcing Suite in order to respond to the Procurement. If you have not yet registered on the e-Sourcing Suite, this can be done online at <a href="https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk">https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk</a> by following the link 'Register for CCS e-Sourcing'.</p> <p>Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by <a href="#">Dun and Bradstreet</a>) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so at the Invitation to Tender stage. Potential Providers should note that it could take up to 10 working days to obtain a DUNS number.</p> <p>Full instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at: <a href="http://gps.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/respond-tender">http://gps.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/respond-tender</a></p> <p>Once you have registered on the e-Sourcing Suite, you will need to express your interest by emailing <a href="mailto:ExpressionOfInterest@Crowncommercial.gov.uk">ExpressionOfInterest@Crowncommercial.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Your email must clearly state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the name/reference of this procurement</li> <li>• the name of the registered supplier; and</li> <li>• the name and contact details</li> </ul> <p>Crown Commercial Service will then process your registration and assign your organisation to the opportunity. The registered user will receive a notification email to alert them once this has been done.</p>

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It is advised however that Potential Providers register as soon as practically possible in order to receive the Invitation to Tender and have a sufficient amount of time to respond. Crown Commercial Service is not able to offer any extensions to the advertised procurement timetable.

For technical assistance on use of the e-Sourcing Suite please contact the Helpdesk:

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