



# **BOOTHBY WILDLAND**



## **Boothby Wildland - Capital Works 2025 Request for Tender - Phase 1 (Red Hill)**

6<sup>th</sup> December 2024

# 1. Background

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Nattergal purchased its first site, [Boothby Wildland](#), in December 2021. It's a 617-hectare former arable farm in Lincolnshire, with variable grade 3 soil types. Over the last three years, we have been staggering Boothby's retreat from arable farming, gradually removing fields from intensive cereal production. Our last harvest was in September 2024.

Having spent this transitional time planning the future vision to Boothby and developing appropriate income streams, we are now at the phase of beginning works on the ground to further enable this transformation. Natural vegetation is beginning to re-establish and our next step is to introduce free-roaming herbivores to kickstart dynamic natural processes and drive ecosystem recovery.

These herbivores (ponies, pigs, cattle and in one half, beavers) will have large blocks in which they can free roam. Fencing these 'blocks' is therefore an integral part of the next steps for Boothby Wildland.

Location:

[Boothby Wildland](#)  
Boothby Pagnell  
Grantham  
Lincolnshire  
NG33 4DE

# 2. Deliverables

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The specific works that will be delivered are:

## **Phase 1 - tendered works (this request.)**

1. Supply and fencing (and associated access infrastructure) of 48.98 hectare Red Hill Regeneration area of Boothby Wildland, as per specification included herein, to be completed in February 2025.

## **Phase 2 and 3 - (for information only.)**

1. In Quarter 2 of 2025 we will look to fence the 200ha 'Glenside' block at Boothby Wildland, along with some associated infrastructure for the introduction of beavers and large herbivores, for example cattle grids and grilles on the watercourses.
2. In 2026 there will be the final block to stock fence at Boothby, which is a c. 300ha area known as 'Mereside'.



## 3. Overview of Tender

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**Issue date:** 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Deadline for queries:** 21.59pm, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Submission date:** 21.59pm, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Boothby Wildland Ltd. are inviting qualified businesses to tender for the following capital works.

## 4. Work Packages

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### Work Package Phase 1: Big Red Hill

Specification in all works:

- All gates are to be of British Standard specification (**BS 5709 :Gaps, Gates and Stiles Specification**)
- Use straining posts which are minimum 2.4m in length and intermediate posts min. 1.65m long
- Place a straining post at every change of direction (horizontal or vertical) and at each end of the fence
- Struts should be at least 2.1m long and attached to posts using a suitable connector
- Erect the steel wire mesh fence to at least 1.05m high when installed. Additional wire strands can be used for extra height (galvanised 4mm mild plain steel wire or 2.5mm high tensile wire).
- Galvanized LHT deer netting with top and bottom wire of 2.5mm and infills of 2.0mm is sufficient.

***Contractors are invited to tender for the supply or installation only, or the supply and installation of fencing together in each separate work sub-package as follows:***

#### 1a) Supply of

- 3,690m of deer fencing
- 3,690m of rabbit netting
- x8 BS specification pedestrian kissing style gates – That are deer height
- x3 vehicle gates – That are deer height
- x2 horse access gates – That are deer height

#### 1b) Installation of

- 3,690m of deer fencing – as per above spec



- 3,690m of rabbit netting

Rabbit netting is to be clipped to the deer fencing and turned out at 90° from the bottom and pegged along the ground at sufficient intervals to stop it lifting.

- x8 BS specification pedestrian kissing style gates
- x3 vehicle access gates that are deer height
- x2 horse access gates that are deer height

Please see Appendix for mapping information.

Fencing will need to commence in January 2025, with a completion date in February 2025.

For further details, please see the accompanying diagrams and maps in the Appendix below.

**The contract framework to achieve the visionary goals of Boothby Wildland has not been fixed by Nattergal Ltd and the project team are open to suggestions from contractors on the form of contract.**

Boothby Wildland is happy to agree dates for potential contractors to visit the site to meet the design team who can offer clarification on the design principles and the overall objectives for the scheme. If you have suggestions for innovative solutions or believe there is a better way to achieve the above works than has been outlined, please do include this in your response.

## 5.Evaluation criteria and scoring

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Each work package will be evaluated separately, based on the following criteria and weighting.

| Evaluation criteria         | Description  | Weighting |
|-----------------------------|--|-----------|
| Technical skillset          | Tender demonstrates appropriate knowledge, equipment and skills to complete work package to highest standard                   | 25        |
| Experience and Track Record | Tender demonstrates appropriate experience, examples of past performance, and/or references from previously completed projects | 25        |



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|------------------------------------|---|----|
| Pricing                            | Cost of the tender, including any scoping costs   | 30 |
| Delivery Schedule                  | Review the proposed project timeline and ensure the tenderer can meet these deadlines.  | 10 |
| Risk and Sustainability Management | <p>Clear demonstration of appropriate risk management, including compliance with CDM regulations.</p> <p>Shows an awareness of , and appropriate steps towards minimising impacts in regards to Nature, carbon and waste.</p> | 10 |

Table 1. Evaluation criteria to be used to evaluate responses to tender

Using the scoring matrix below, we will score each tender against the outline criteria in table 1.

| Score | Description  |
|-------|--|
| 5     | Exceeds expectations                               |
| 4     | Meets all requirements                             |
| 3     | Meets most requirements but with some minor issues |
| 2     | Significant gaps in meeting requirements           |
| 1     | Does not meet requirements                         |

The aim of the scoring matrix is to ensure the selection processes is as transparent and fair as possible. The maximum total average score achievable is 5, if an applicant exceeds expectations for all the listed criteria.

Boothby Wildland are not bound to select the potential contractor with the highest score and the evaluation and criteria guide will inform Boothby staff and funding agencies only.

## 6. Pricing, payment and contracting

Please submit a breakdown of project costs for one or both work packages. Where there are risks or unknowns associated with the various work elements, please indicate your estimates of the provisional sums needed to cover these risk items. Please include day rates for plant, staff, labour, welfare and/or consultant



costs plus a breakdown of estimated material volumes and rates for these materials (including overheads). Please also separate out any estimates for fuels needed - e.g. diesel, petrol, HVO or any other high carbon or nature impact item.

The breakdown of the project costs should also be accompanied by a timetable of works (GANTT chart), with a sufficient level of detail to enable Nattergal to review the plant and labour costs for each identified work element.

Payment terms and conditions will be finalised once the form of contract and appointment has been agreed. If you have any questions about Boothby Wildland Limited's standard terms of business, please note these in the tender response.

## 7.Submission Guidelines

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If your company expects to submit a tender response, please register your expression of interest via email to [boothby@nattergal.co.uk](mailto:boothby@nattergal.co.uk) by the **21:59pm 12<sup>th</sup> December 2024**.

We ask that responses to the tender are submitted in an electronic format (PDF) to the above email address by the specified submission deadline: **21.59pm, 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

Contractors will need to list the key staff to be allocated to the scheme and CVs are requested for the contractor's project manager and the contractor's site manager.

Contractors are requested to provide a summary of three similar schemes they have been involved with and provide contact details for the clients so that if required, Nattergal can secure references for the contractor's previous clients.

Contractors will need to include a listing and the value of public, employment, professional and product liability insurances. Copies of these insurances will only be required from the successful applicant. Contractors will need to include a summary of their H&S record for the last five years.

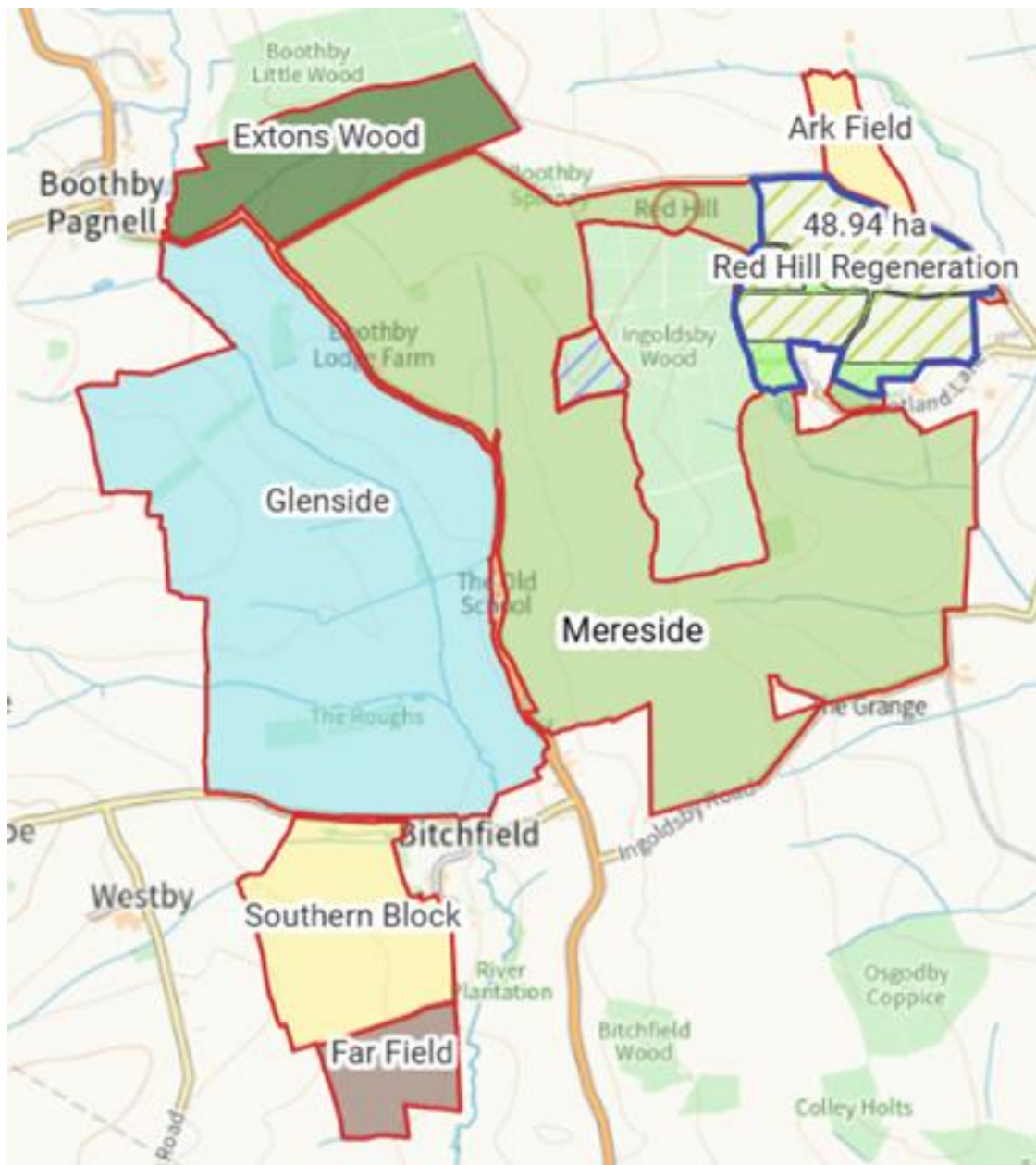
Any queries or requests for clarification regarding the tender\* please direct to [Boothby@nattergal.co.uk](mailto:Boothby@nattergal.co.uk). Any technical question asked by the contractor prior to the query deadline (21.59pm, 12th December 2024) will be answered as soon as possible. These responses will be shared with all contractors who have registered an expression of interest by COP 16th December at the latest.

We look forward to receiving your response, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions, comments or concerns.





## **APPENDIX - Supporting documentation**



Map showing the Red Hill Regeneration Area in relation to the other areas at the Boothby Wildland Project



Map showing access routes and associated access infrastructure.

**Red dots:** Triple access - horse, vehicle and pedestrian kissing gates needed

**Yellow dots:** pedestrian kissing gates needed

**Orange dot:** Pedestrian kissing gate needed, location tbc

**Blue dot:** vehicle access gate needed







Map highlighting in green the areas which will be supplementary planted with a mix of native broadleaved trees. Blue boundary is to be deer fenced – this is the boundary fencing for Phase 1 work

