**Specialist Legal Services for Insurance CPU 1677**

Oxfordshire County Council are seeking the provision of Legal Services in relation to insurance claims made against the Council. This will involve dealing with legal proceedings and providing advice, guidance and handling of the same.

Oxfordshire is principally a rural county, with a current population of  677,000. Oxfordshire County Council deliver a range of activities within the county, including (but not limited to): Social and Community services, Library services, Children and Education services, Environmental and Economy services, Transport services and Community Safety. Please note that the County Council is the relevant Highways and Fire authority for Oxfordshire.

The majority of the council’s requirement is for the areas of both highways law and employer’s liability (EL) but claims may also arise under the Officials Indemnity, Professional Negligence, Motor and Property insurance policies.

Contracts will be awarded to three firms in total for the Council to engage with on a call-off basis for the provision of the Service for a term of three years with an option for the Council to extend for up to two years; anticipated to commence on 1st November 2015.