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**England’s Connected Heartland (ECH)**

**5G Innovation Region:**

**5G Railway Project**

Prior Information Notice

Response Template

# Process

## Overview

This document provides the template for potential bidders to participate in the Council’s market engagement in relation to this Prior Information Notice (PIN).

The PIN process will be operated through the Council’s South East Business Portal (the Portal) at [South East Business Portal (due-north.com)](https://sebp.due-north.com/)

If you would like to:

* **Attend the Market Engagement Webinar**, please register via the link below

[ECH 5GIR 5G Railway PIN Webinar Registration](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/7b3497ff-950e-422d-a77b-5a858845a66e@f05d39da-26ec-4eea-b8eb-9ff1a682d5e5)

Please make sure you do this in good time as late registrations may not gain access to the webinar. You will receive an acknowledgement email after a short delay. If you do not receive the acknowledgement email, raise a query through the Portal and you will be contacted directly to resolve the issue.

* **Arrange a 30 minute 1:1 session**, please complete the relevant section of this template, and return it via the Portal.
* **Complete the response template**, please complete Section 3 and your responses in the boxes provided in Section 3 of this document and upload the response via the Portal.
* **Submit PIN clarification questions**, please submit a question through the messaging function of the Portal. A further clarification process will be available during the ITT process.

Potential bidders may submit more than one response template, for example to register for a 1:1 session before other responses, or to update information.

## Estimated Timetable

| Activity | Date |
| --- | --- |
| Engagement Webinar | 29th April 2024, 14.00 - 15.00 GMT |
| 1:1 Sessions | 30th April and 1st May 2024 **(Request by 12.00 noon on 29th April 2024)** |
| Questionnaire Responses | **By 12.00 on 3rd May 2024** |
| PIN Clarification Questions through Portal | **By 17.00 9th May 2024** |

## Bidder Information

Please enter your contact details in the table below.

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| Organisation Name |  |
| Contact Name |  |
| Role |  |
| Telephone number |  |
| Email address |  |

## 1:1 Sessions

If you would like to book a 30 minute 1:1 session to discuss commercially sensitive matters, please provide details:

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| **We would like to arrange a 1:1 Session: (Yes/No)**  **Proposed discussion topics:**  [Please complete] |

# Questions for potential bidders

## What information do you require from us in the Tender pack that you think we might not be aware of?

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| **Supplier Response:** |

## The timescale for delivering the initial order is challenging. What mitigations would you propose to address that challenge?

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| **Supplier Response:** |

## What particular challenges do you envisage with respect to Network Rail? How should we mitigate these challenges?

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| **Supplier Response:** |

## Would you be likely to use the Network Rail 432-fibre and GSM-R masts in your proposed solution?

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| **Supplier Response:** |

# Supply Chain Introductions

Some potential bidders have expressed an interest in their details being circulated amongst other potential bidders to help to meet supply chain partners in relation to this opportunity. If you would like your details to be made available for that purpose, please provide them below. Note that they will be made available to any potential bidder through the Portal.

**Contact details for this purpose:**

*Name & Role*

*Email Address*

*Contact Telephone*

**Details of what you are looking for and offering:**

*[please complete]*

[End]