

October 2019

New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership

Call-off contract for Independent Appraiser role.

Contract Summary

Invitation to Bid

Your quotation is sought to provide an independent appraiser role for the New Anglia LEP suite of programmes, principally the Growth Deal (Capital Growth Programme), Growing Places Fund and the Innovative Projects Fund.

New Anglia LEP Background

The New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) is a forward-looking organisation challenged with supporting and reshaping the economic growth of Norfolk and Suffolk, creating the right jobs and opportunities to drive the economy forward and ensure that the region has the right sectors and corresponding skills for the future

The New Anglia LEP's business-led board brings together strong representation from the public and private sectors to address the issues facing the region.

Working towards long term, sustainable, economic growth, it will help to grow jobs, remove barriers to enterprise and significantly improve the area's business environment.

New Anglia will focus on creating the best possible environment for businesses to develop and innovate; creating prosperity and bringing global recognition to our key business sectors. The LEP offers a variety of interventions including infrastructure grants, capital grants for business, loans and investments to help to support appropriate growth across Norfolk and Suffolk.

Programme context and contract summary

Growth Deal

The Growth Deal is the LEPs principle capital funding scheme. The fund supports grant investment into infrastructure, skills and other capital initiatives to improve the economy of the region. The LEP has been awarded a total of £223m to allocate to suitable projects in the region, with spend to be completed by 31 March 2019.

Growing Places Fund

The Growing Places Fund aims to provide financial support, through repayable loans, to infrastructure and property projects across Norfolk and Suffolk. The main objective is to 'unlock' stalled developments by addressing infrastructure and access issues to generate economic activity through the creation of jobs and the construction of homes and places of work.

The Innovative Projects Fund

The Innovative Projects Fund is a new intervention for New Anglia LEP. Funded by income generated from Enterprise Zone rates revenue returns, the fund offers the opportunity of revenue support to innovative projects throughout the region.

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Full details can be found in the contract document.

These programmes and others within the LEP portfolio incorporate detailed governance arrangements, including the need for independent review and appraisal of projects to ensure best value is achieved, utilising techniques such as Green Book Appraisal to do so. The contracted role will support these requirements on a call-off basis, as and when required, to enable the LEP board and/or its committees to be able to make informed decisions on the suitability of projects for financial support, both grant and loan.

Contract requirements will include appraisal work to support regular project calls and one-off support work as required by the LEP.

Work will be predominantly desk based but will require some contact with applicants and update meetings to be held at LEP offices in Norwich or Ipswich.

Quotation

Interested applicants should provide an initial quotation comprising hourly and daily rates, inclusive of all expenses.

If you would like to quote for this project, please submit your proposal(s) to:

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by **Friday 22 November 2019** with examples of recent work undertaken/references etc.

Short-listed companies will be invited by email to discuss their interest further.

If you would like an informal discussion about any aspect of this design brief, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Dashper.